



Theatre Scholarships

Scholarship Awards:

Awards range from \$500 to \$1500. These awards are renewable for the three remaining years of your Muskingum education, and are separate and distinct from federal work-study programs. In addition to awarding scholarships, the Theatre department also employs a dozen or more work-study students every semester. If you are eligible for federal work-study aid, you can apply to work in the department for a paycheck *and* still receive a Theatre Scholarship award.

Scholarship Requirements:

You do not need to be a Theatre major to receive a Theatre Scholarship, but may choose to major, minor or simply be a participant. In your first year at Muskingum, you'll take Basic Acting (THEA 175), and Technical Production (THEA 245), a course sequence designed to acquaint you with both the performance and the technical sides of production. Then, at least once a year, you'll take a theatre course of your choice (like set design, lighting, advanced acting, makeup, directing) which will further your abilities, talents, and interests in production.

Your main duty as a scholarship student is to be involved in at least one on-campus production per semester. You choose – acting, designing, running crew, stage management, costume construction, makeup, lights, publicity – whatever you want to learn more about. If you've retained your scholarship all four years at Muskingum, by the time you graduate you'll accumulate enough credits for at least a minor in Theatre.

Many of our Theatre Scholarship students combine their love of theatre with other areas of interest, and most will graduate with a major and minor, or with double majors.

- *Business majors* can prepare for careers in arts management or marketing and promotion.
- *Music majors* can use their musical talents to help with our musical theatre productions.
- *English Education majors* with theatre minors may qualify to direct the school play or teach drama courses in high schools.
- *Art Majors* might be inclined toward set design, costume design, or publicity.

If you want to know more about the Muskingum University Theatre program in general or about the scholarship process specifically, we'd love to answer your questions. To arrange a faculty interview, tour the facilities, or meet current students, feel free to either contact us directly, or to arrange a visit through the Admission Office (1-800-752-6082).

Our theatre faculty:

- **Dr. Jerry Martin**
(740) 826-8371 jmartin@muskingum.edu Office: Caldwell Hall 152
Dr. Martin teaches courses in playwriting, theatre management, children's theatre, and musical theater. He also assists with the Muskingum University Forensics Team.
- **Mr. Ronald Lauck**
(740) 826-8372 rlauck@muskingum.edu Office: Caldwell Hall 153
Mr. Lauck supervises all technical workers and teaches costume design, set design, lighting design, tech production, and computer aided design courses.
- **Dr. Diane Rao**
(740) 826-8373 drao@muskingum.edu Office: Caldwell Hall
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Dr. Rao teaches acting, directing, history, literature, gender issues, and supervises the publicity and box office workers.

How to apply:

1. **Be admitted to Muskingum University as a full-time student.**
2. **Complete the Theatre Scholarship application form** (attached).
3. **Write an essay** indicating major field of interest, and your need and desire to receive a Muskingum University Theatre Scholarship.
4. **Provide a list of your theatrical experience.** Please list both acting and technical experience. Include name of production, role, and director's name.
5. **Interview or Audition.** Depending on your area of interest (acting or technical theatre), you should arrange for either an audition or theatre interview. Either arrange for an in-person, on-campus audition, or submit a video-taped audition, featuring your interpretation of a humorous or dramatic selection, a monologue, or a cutting from a play. (Make sure you are clearly identified on the tape.) Technical theatre applicants need to arrange for an interview instead of submitting a taped audition.
6. **Submit the application form and all your materials by March 15 to:**

Scholarship Coordinator
Speech Communication and Theatre Department
Muskingum University
163 Stormont Street
New Concord, OH 43762

If you're coming to an Academic Scholarship Day on campus, you can bring this form with you, along with your videotape, and turn in everything in person. If you'd like to audition in person, just notify us at the group meeting, and we'll conduct it before you leave for the day. (Contact Admission Office for more information, at 1-800-752-6082.)



Theatre Scholarship Application Form

Mr./Ms./Miss

_____ Last _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Address

_____ Street, P.O. Box _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (_____) _____ Have you visited campus? _____

Have you completed an application for admission to Muskingum University? _____

High School

High School Address

Grade Point Average _____ Class Rank _____ / _____

ACT Composite _____ Combined SAT _____

Please indicate your major area of interest:

Please list two references for the selection committee to contact in support of your candidacy:

Name	Address	Phone Number
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For office use only: Application _____ Essay _____ Audition _____ Admission _____