

THTR 1563 - Costume Construction and Craft

Fall 2026 Syllabus, Section 01, CRN 43159,

Credit hours: 3

Instructor

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Course Description

1563. Costume Construction and Craft. Introduction to stage costuming through the study and application of costume construction techniques and costume crafts, the use of appropriate equipment, and costume maintenance through various projects involving the special techniques used for stage costuming. 3 s.h.

Course Readings

Group	Title	Author	ISBN
	No Readings		

The course readings are subject to change in the event of extenuating circumstances, research developments, current events, and/or to ensure better learning.

Schedule of Topics and Assignments

Week of	Proposed Topic	Due/To Prepare for Class
8/24	Syllabus Review & Course Expectations Introduction to class and overview of shop procedures.	Applied Hours Scheduling due 8/31
8/31	Sewing sampler project begins. Basic Hand Stitches/Hand Hems. (Whip, Catch, Slip)	
9/7	Sampler continues, Buttons Fasteners (Hooks & eyes)	
9/14	Fasteners continued (Hooks, eyes and snaps) Intro to sewing machine, sewing map	
9/21	Seams (Plain, French, Flat-felled) Serger, Darts, Gathering	
9/28	Finish Sampler. Hard due date 10/5 Bag fabric due by Oct 1. Ravenscroft opens October 2	Bag fabric Due Oct 2
10/5	Intro to reading patterns and cutting layouts. Begin Bag Project. Ravenscroft closes 10/11. Papers due 10/11 at 11:59 PM.	Ravenscroft paper due 10/11
10/12	Ravenscroft Design Discussion Bag project layout, marking and cutting.	
10/19	Bag Project Continues. Interfacing, applied darts, lining.	



10/26	Complete Bag Project, Introduction to Final Project. Pattern selection for Final Project.	
11/2	Final project layout and cutting.	
11/9	Final project construction. Clue: The Musical opens 11/13	
11/16	Final project construction continues. Clue: The Musical closes 11/22 Clue: The Musical paper due 11/22 at 11:59 PM	Clue paper due 11/22
11/23	Clue: The Musical discussion NO CLASS 11/26 – University closed	
11/30	Final project building, All Applied Hours must be completed	Applied Hours must be completed by Dec 4
12/7	Finals week, no regular class meeting. Complete final project. CLASS FINAL – PROJECTS DUE Thursday, Dec 10, 8-10AM Yes, it's early. I bring donuts.	Final project due

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