

## THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES & CULTURES PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

For students studying on programme:	<b>BA(Hons) Drama</b>
Level of study:	<b>Level 3</b>
Academic year of study:	<b>2026/27</b>
Programme Code:	<b>00327</b>
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Contact:	If you have any questions about this structure, please contact <a href="mailto:salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk">salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk</a> including in the subject <b>FAO Drama</b>

### PLEASE NOTE:

When selecting your course units you must ensure you take:

- 120 credits overall (including any core units)
- **60 credits in each semester** (NB. you may, if you are choosing 10 credit Free Choice/Minor units, take a maximum of 70 and minimum of 50 credits in either semester).
- At least 100 credits, and up to 120 credits of Level 3 units; a maximum 20 credits at Level 2.

Particular programme guidelines:

- You **MUST** take **AT LEAST ONE** theatre-based study unit at Level 3 and you must select at least 60 theatre-based units across your dissertation, optional practical unit and study units. Theatre-based units are marked (T) and Film-based units are marked (F).
- The Extended Dissertation in Drama should be considered as 20 credits in each semester.
- The Dissertation in Drama may be completed in either semester. Please note there is a different course unit code for each semester.
- It is possible to take ONE 20 credit unit from Level 2 (NB. Admission to these courses is subject to demand and priority will be given to Level 2 students.)
- Please think carefully about your unit selection and workload balance.
- **Things for you to consider when making your unit selection:**
  - Carefully weigh up the demands of 40 credit practical units. These units can take up several days a week so they demand a significant commitment from you in terms of time spent in university. The timetabling and weighting also significantly restricts your other unit choices.
  - Each 40 credit unit requires a balance of skills including a very good ability to organise and motivate yourself, ability to collaborate well with others and to manage your time and that of other people.

### HELPFUL HINTS:

- The semester a unit is taught in is identified by the last digit in the course unit code. E.G CLAH30220. A '0' identifies the course unit is taught over both semesters, a '1' indicates Semester 1 and '2' indicates Semester 2
- To enrol on any of the study units use the Self Service area of your My Manchester page
- Please check the timetable for units that you choose to ensure that there are not any clashes.

### 1. Core Course Units

Select **one** of the following units:

	Title	Credit
<b>DRAM30990</b>	Extended Dissertation in Drama	<b>40</b>
<b>DRAM30001</b>	Dissertation in Drama ( <i>Semester One</i> )	<b>20</b>
<b>DRAM30002</b>	Dissertation in Drama ( <i>Semester Two</i> )	<b>20</b>

## 2: Optional Practice Units

Select a maximum of one practice unit. **Practice Units are allocated via an application process and the Drama Pre-Selection Form.** You may only apply for a level 3 practice unit if you have taken a level 2 practice unit and may only apply for a Theatre (T) option if you previously selected DRAM100101 Performance Practices 1 or DRAM10102 Performance Practices 2.

Code	Title	Credit
<i>Semester 1</i>		
DRAM30061	Docufiction Filmmaking (F)	40
DRAM30111	Applied Theatre: Theatre in Prisons (T)	40
DRAM30411	Directing Theatre (T)	40
<i>Semester 2</i>		
DRAM30212	Writing for Performance (T)	40
DRAM32002	Contemporary Theatre-Making (T)	40
DRAM32102	Contemporary Documentary Film Making (F)	40

## 3: Optional Theatre Study Units

Choose your units from My Manchester. Select 20 – 80 credits. You **must** select at least 60 theatre-based units across your dissertation, optional practical unit and study units.

Code	Title	Credit
<i>Semester One</i>		
DRAM30311	Professional Practices: Dramaturgy, Curation and Creative Programming (T)	20
DRAM30821	Activist Performance (T)	20
<i>Semester Two</i>		
DRAM30292	Performance and Public Space (T)	20
DRAM33462	Theatre, Performance and Care: Studying Artful Care and Careful Art (T)	20

## 4: Optional Film / Audio Visual Study Units

Select 0 – 40 credits. You may only select units from this list if you have taken a level 1 Film study unit (i.e DRAM10031 The Art of Film, DRAM13331 Early Film Histories or SALC11002 Introduction to World Cinemas).

Code	Title	Credit
<i>Semester One</i>		
DRAM30331	Queer Bodies and the Cinema (F)	20
DRAM30491	Screening the Holocaust (F)	20
DRAM30841	The Social Lives of Cinema (F)	20
<i>Semester Two</i>		
DRAM31042	Falstaff and Gandalf go to the Movies: Adapting Fantastic Texts to Screen (F)	20
DRAM32012	Global TV Industries (F)	20
DRAM33302	Screen Acting and Stardom (F)	20

## 5: Level 2 courses available at Level 3.

You MAY take ONE 20 credit unit from the Level 2 STUDY options as long as you have fulfilled your other programme requirements and there is available space (NB. Admission to these units is subject to demand and priority will be given to Level 2 students). Please apply to take a level 2 unit by contacting the programmes team and the Undergraduate Programme convenor.

Level 2 Drama Programme Structure

<https://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=15722%20>

## 6. Students continuing with a Minor

If you studied a Minor in your first year and would like to continue with it, you should now select the relevant course units for the Minor, ensuring that you choose all 40 credits.

You can find the course units to select here: <http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/display.aspx?DocID=33413> or email [flexhons@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:flexhons@manchester.ac.uk) to discuss your options.

## 7. Free Choice Units - if you have not taken a Minor, and you have not yet registered for 120 credits, you can select up to 40 credits of free choice units.

A maximum of 20 credits can be taken at one level below your current level of study.

For free choice units available in the **School of Arts Languages and Cultures** please see:  
<https://www.alc.manchester.ac.uk/student-intranet/undergraduate/course-unit-selection/free-choice/>

A maximum of 20 credits can be taken as free choice outside of the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures.

For free choice units available from the **University College for Interdisciplinary Learning**, please see:  
<http://www.college.manchester.ac.uk/units/>

For free choice units available from the **University Language Centre**, please see:  
[Courses for all - School of Arts, Languages and Cultures - The University of Manchester](#)

For a full list of free choice units available in the University, please select the My Courses tab within My Manchester:  
[login.manchester.ac.uk](http://login.manchester.ac.uk).

See suggested units list below. Look also at the level 2 units list on the level 2 Drama programmes structures (you can take a maximum of 20 credits of level 2 units).

Title		Credit
SALC30401	Global Cultural and Creative Industries	20
UCIL33501	Climate Change and Society	20
SALC31131	Interdisciplinary Literature and Theology: Empathy, Ethics, Liberation	20
AHCP30021	We will Be: Black British Art since the 1980s	20
FREN30731	Art, Culture and Activism in France in the Age of Social Media	20
SPLA30801	Reading the Rain Forest: Visions of the Amazon	20
SPLA31082	Modern Spanish Music: A Cultural History	20
SPLA31131	The Supernatural in Latin American Literature and Film	20
MCEL 30001 / 30002	Tools and Techniques for Enterprise	10
MCEL30022	Interdisciplinary Sustainable Development	10
MCEL30051	Enterprise Strategy and Marketing	10
MCEL30111	Developing Business Ideas	10