Acting I: Theatre 232

**Required Text:** *Acting One Handbook* (available in the bookstore)

**Class Objective:**

To understand the basic elements of acting and through those elements improve the student's ability to perform, communicate and succeed in life.

**Learning Outcomes:**

- To become aware of personal habits, perceptions and fears that might limit the student's ability to create.
- To explore the playwright's words in order to communicate his/her intent vocally and physically.
- To practice clarity of speech and vocal variety to communicate intent and meaning.
- To explore human behavior through imagination, text analysis, observation and class exercises.
- To learn how to take direction and criticism with grace.

**Student's Responsibilities**

- To be prepared.
- To wear comfortable, flexible clothing that you don't mind getting dirty.
- To bring all pertinent materials to class such as texts, props, homework, etc.
- To come with a healthy, positive attitude that supports fellow students and the learning environment.
- To participate fully with an open mind and a sense of humor.
- To be responsible for one's own physical needs (allergies, injuries, etc.), to adjust exercises as needed and to inform the instructor of the specifics of these needs.