Study Theatre
in England!
Why Study Abroad?

- You will expand your view of the world AND your view of the USA
- You will experience a different type of theatre training that compliments ours
- You can visit historical sites, such as Shakespeare’s birthplace—bringing history to life
- You can see productions at the RSC, London’s West End, and much more
- You can meet international friends & have new adventures
- You can enhance your employability by gaining a global perspective
- **You will be forever changed!** Study Abroad forces you out of your comfort zone and gives you the confidence that you can take on a new place/situation/set of circumstances. There’s nothing else quite like it!
Introducing 2 programs of theatre study through Purdue Study Abroad:

- University of Coventry
- University of Kent at Canterbury

BOTH located within a 1-hr train ride to London. BOTH have pre-approved exchange programs with Purdue University. Let’s look at each one…
University (Uni) of Coventry


- Located in the midlands, Coventry is a short bus trip to Stratford-upon-Avon (Shakespeare’s birthplace & home of the Royal Shakespeare Co.) In addition to theatre in Coventry, it’s a short trip to see plays in Birmingham or London (1-hr train)

- The faculty are very warm and eager to work with you!

- Types of productions: devised work, traditional scripted productions, and international tele-presence productions
The facilities and faculty at Uni Coventry
Bombed in WWII, Coventry is a mix of old and new;

The bombed out cathedral shell is joined to modern construction
Take a day or weekend trip to Stratford-upon-Avon

See a play at the RSC, visit Shakespeare's birthplace, and revel in the Elizabethan history and beauty of the town
Take a day trip or weekend tour to the historic Cotswolds region

J.R.R. Tolkein was here & it may have influence his ideas for the shire in *The Hobbit*

Historic, quaint, beautiful & relaxing!
Or check out nearby Birmingham, with an edgier theatre & nightlife scene
Exchanges to Uni Coventry in spring semester (Jan 21 to May 11) are available

- *Naturalism & Reactions to It* counts for THTR 381, History of Theatre II
- Other classes count as THTR 290 & 390 (special topics) credits:
  - *Devising Performance Texts* (with 1st year students)
  - *Outdoor Performance* (with 2nd year students)
  - *Negotiated Study*—group performance projects (w/ 2nd yr students)
- You may also become involved in 3rd year degree show pieces
- Consider staying on to travel at the end; May is beautiful
- {Note: faculty member Tom Gorman will be at PU Sept. 10-12}
Uni of Kent at Canterbury is a top school located just north of a medieval city.

https://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/pdfs/drama.pdf

The shop after student final projects →

Marlowe Theatre, in town
Why study at Uni of Kent?

- Located in the southeast of England, Canterbury is well-situated for travel to London and exploration of the eastern coast.
- Uni Kent is a top-ranked school with a robust theatre & arts program. They even offer study in stand-up comedy!
- The semester plan there allows for study abroad in fall or spring (or both, if you have a full year available).
- Like Coventry, we already have student exchanges established between Purdue & Kent, making course transfer easier.
- Canterbury’s historic center is a 20 min walk from campus.
Canterbury has been a place of pilgrimage for centuries (See Chaucer’s *Canterbury Tales*, 1387)

Canterbury Cathedral

Also check out pub & town life!
Classes for transfer credit at Uni Kent
(Students take 2 classes/semester & they can transfer for 6+ credits each)

- *Shakespeare’s Theatre* (counts as THTR 380 Theatre History I + 390 elective)
- *Victorian and Edwardian Theatre* (THTR 381, Theatre History II + 390 elective)
- *European Theatre from 1945* (counts as THTR 381, Theatre History II + 390 elective)
- *Physical Theatre I or II* (counts as THTR 235 Vocal Physical Preparation + THTR 526 Advanced Movement for the Actor)
- *Acting Shakespeare* (counts as THTR 433, Acting IV: Shakespeare + 390 elective)
- *Costume & Fashion* (counts as THTR 361 Cost. Design I & 580 Period Styles)
- *Directing Theatre: Methods & Making* (counts as THTR 440 + 390 elective)

**Many other courses transfer to electives in theatre; not all courses are offered every semester**
One of the perks for weekends at both Universities: exploring London Theatre!
Try the Backstage Tour of the Theatre Royal Drury Lane

Wigs for 42nd Street

Stage hydraulics from 1890s
Don’t forget the Theatre Collection housed on the 3rd flr of the V&A Museum

Victoria & Albert Museum, founded 1852
So you want to go, but are worried about $$... Did you know:

- You pay PURDUE TUITION for these programs
- Campus housing is available for study abroad, just as here
- Purdue Study Abroad Scholarships help with the cost of travel
- FYI: as a student it was cheaper for Dr. Anne to study in the UK for a semester abroad through Purdue, due to the scholarship!
- Consider inviting a friend to study abroad w/ you, even in another subject area
- Many more resources & FAQs are at [https://www.purdue.edu/IPPU/SA/](https://www.purdue.edu/IPPU/SA/)
  - See EXCHANGE PROGRAMS [https://www.studyabroad.purdue.edu/programs/programs.cfm](https://www.studyabroad.purdue.edu/programs/programs.cfm)
- To make study abroad happen in your life, PLAN AHEAD. It’s your life…go live it!
  - Study Abroad Fair 2018: Thursday, Aug. 30th, PMU South Ballroom
Last but not least…

Proof of **true love** through study abroad!

Callie (Purdue) & Joe (Uni Kent at Canterbury) at their graduations; married Aug, 2018!
It's a funny thing coming home. Nothing changes. Everything looks the same, feels the same, even smells the same. You realize what's changed is you. - F. Scott Fitzgerald
Call out through CLA Study Abroad:

Study Abroad – earn THTR credit for major, minor, and CLA core!

Exchange programs:
- University of Coventry, UK
  January 21 – May 11
- University of Kent, UK
  January 14 – June 14

CLA Study Abroad Events – Fall 2018
- August 22: Informational Table in BRNG Lobby
- August 29: Semester-Long Study Abroad Info Session
  - September 5: CLA Study Abroad Fair
  - September 11: Informational Table in BRNG Lobby

The deadline for Spring 2019 Study Abroad is September 15!

Questions??
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