At Catawba, the student is part of an intimate, liberal arts coeducational college. The academic program combines liberal arts & pre-professional studies with a varied internship program providing the foundation for a well-rounded undergraduate experience. The total enrollment is approximately 1,000 students from throughout the U.S. as well as many different countries. More than 86 percent of the faculty hold the highest (terminal) degree in their discipline & the student faculty ratio is 14:1.

Catawba’s hometown is Salisbury, N.C., a historic small city of 30,000, located less than an hour away from the largest North Carolina cities of Charlotte, Greensboro & Winston-Salem.

- On average 80% of Catawba’s Theatre Arts graduates hold professional theatre contracts in hand on graduation day.
- Our production team’s presentations are regularly chosen as the strongest in the Southeast and are perennial finalists in the American College Theatre Festival.
- Students get individual attention from a strong, experienced, and diverse theatre arts faculty.
- Each year we offer nearly 250 student performance roles and nearly 300 student technical slots.
- Students have extensive production opportunities, beginning in the freshman year.
- First years are encouraged to audition for Main Stage productions
- Students have the opportunity to “double major” or minor in other academic fields.
- Our productions earn regional and national awards from the Metrolina Theatre Association and the Kennedy Center’s American College Theatre Festival.

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The Bachelor of Arts degree offered by the Catawba Theatre Arts Department is for the pre-professional theatre student seeking extensive specialization. The emphasis of each major is on the development of skills, concepts, and sensitivities essential to the theatre profession. Admission to these degree programs is by audition or portfolio presentation and interview during the first year of residence.

B.F.A., Musical Theatre - A specialized pre-professional degree combining theatre, dance, and music studies with performance experience, for students committed to musical theatre careers and/or graduate school.

B.F.A., Performance - A specialized pre-professional degree emphasizing the study, training & experience in performance for careers in acting & directing, as well as graduate study.

B.F.A., Design & Production - A specialized pre-professional degree with emphasis in major design areas (lighting, scene design, costumes, sound, technical direction and stage management study).

The Bachelor of Arts & Bachelor of Science degrees are for students seeking a broad theatre background, as well as specialization. Admission to these programs does not require an audition.

B.A., Musical Theatre - Study, training, and experience in all areas but with an emphasis on Musical Theatre. Includes study in Dance, Music and Acting for a well-rounded degree.

B.A., Theatre Arts - Study, training, and experience in all areas of theatre, as well as performance opportunities, for those students wanting to pursue the M.A. and Ph.D. degrees after graduation or for those seeking a strong basis in the arts for careers within or outside the arts.

B.S., Theatre Arts Administration - Combines studies in theatre & business, with intern experience, for the preparation of administrators in theatre arts non-profit organizations & companies.

B.A., Theatre Arts Education - Combines the studies in theatre & education for the preparation of licensed classroom teachers.

Minors

Dance - For students who wish to study and gain experience in dance and choreography, as well as performance.

Musical Theatre - For students who wish to major in theatre or music, but also have a talent for musical theatre.

Theatre - For students who also have a serious interest in theatre, but have chosen another major field of study.

Studio Art - For students pursuing career goals in fields that would be enhanced by graphic design, drawing, painting and other allied arts.