**MOHAWK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

**UTICA/ROME, NEW YORK**

**Course Outline**

**TH 197 Playwriting C-3, Cr-3**

**Catalog Description:**

This course is designed to teach the fundamental of playwriting while stressing the role of the text in theatrical production.

Prerequisite: EN 101 and EN 102 or permission of the instructor.

**Student Learning Outcomes:**

At the completion of the course the student will:

* Demonstrate an understanding of the role of the text in theater.
* Demonstrate an understanding of historical context in contemporary drama.
* Demonstrate an understanding of how a conventional play is structured and developed, and how non-conventional plays subvert this structure.
* Produce at least one original play script.
* Utilize character development and effective dialogue.
* Demonstrate a sense of time and place in his/her writing.
* Demonstrate knowledge of the beginnings of plot structure.

**Major Topics:**

Character Development

Effective dialogue

Plot structure

Role of text in theatrical production

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