



Sub Committee for Performing Arts
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences Curriculum Development

Name of Institute: Symbiosis School for Liberal Arts

Course Name: THEATRE MINOR / Paper 4 / Improvisation & Devising Theatre

(UG/PG): UG/Third Year/Semester 6

Number of Credits: 4

Level: 3

Course Description

The course introduces students to the art of storytelling through improvisation. This course also focuses on the role of the actor as a creator, in order to develop the character, create scenes and build confidence to engage the audience.

The students will develop skills to gain insights about characters, their conflicts and resolution, which form the basic structure of a story. Students will investigate through improvisation, the dramatic territories of comedy, tragedy, and drama.

This course also introduces students to 'devised theatre', which enables them to create their own stories, and to find a theatrical/dramatic language to bring their stories to life on the stage.

The objectives of this course are to enable students to work with fellow actors, and also to learn from them, develop confidence in performance skills, and develop the ability to express and communicate creative ideas and images, both as an individual, as well as in groups.

Lectures will be conducted through practical classes, mentoring of practice, observation and critical analysis of work in progress, group projects, use of visual aids, field trips, and visiting lecturers.