Guidelines for Retaining Your GSA Scholarship

Students who apply for and receive a Kentucky Governor’s School for the Arts (GSA) Scholarship in the areas of theatre, performing arts or dance must, upon matriculation, maintain a major in the Department of Theatre & Dance in order to retain their GSA Scholarship. GSA Scholarships are renewed annually and students who choose to change major risk having their GSA Scholarship rescinded. The decision to continue or rescind a GSA scholarship in such cases rests solely with the Department of Theatre & Dance faculty. Other standards for the retention of a GSA scholarship are as follows:

**Major in the BFA in Performing Arts** (with concentrations in Acting, Directing, Musical Theatre, Theatre Design and Technology)

In order to retain their GSA Scholarship, B.F.A. in Performing Arts majors (both seeking admission and admitted) must:
- Maintain a minimum department and university-wide GPA of 3.0.
- Participate fully in the department's Jury/Portfolio Review (JPR) process. Failure to participate or meet minimal standards in the JPR process, or dismissal from the B.F.A. in Performing Arts, may jeopardize the retention of a GSA Scholarship.
- Progress through the program in a timely fashion. Students who earn less than 15 credit hours per year in this major risk losing their GSA Scholarship.

**Please Note:** A separate audition/interview for full admission into the B.F.A. in Performing Arts degree occurs in the third semester. Prior to the audition/interview students are classified as “seeking admission.” Students not admitted into the B.F.A. at that time have the option of pursuing the B.A. in Theatre. No separate audition/interview is required for the B.A. in Theatre.

**B.A. in Theatre major**

In order to retain their GSA Scholarship, B.A. Theatre majors must:
- Maintain a minimum department and university-wide GPA of 3.0.
- Participate fully in the department's Jury/Portfolio Review process. Failure to participate or meet minimal standards in the JPR process may result in the loss of the GSA Scholarship.
- Progress through the program in a timely fashion. Students who earn less than 9 credit hours a year in this major risk losing their GSA Scholarship.

**B.A. in Dance major**

- Maintain a minimum department and university-wide GPA of 3.0.
- Participate fully in the department's Jury/Portfolio Review process. Failure to participate or meet minimal standards in the JPR process may result in the loss of the GSA Scholarship.
- Progress through the program in a timely fashion. Students who earn less than 9 credit hours a year in this major risk losing their GSA Scholarship.
- Audition for, be admitted to, and remain a member in good standing of the WKU Dance Company every semester.

*Ratified by the Department of Theatre and Dance Faculty on 8/18/11.*