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## THA 2140 - Intro To Theatre Mid-Term Research Paper

### Project Description:

This is a 4-5 page research paper to be written on any topic related to *live theatre*.

Your topic must be approved by instructor. One person per topic.

The completed paper is *Due Mid-Term Week*, on *Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>*.

### Parameters:

The paper needs to be researched as thoroughly as possible on whatever topic you choose. After thoroughly researching your topic, you need to then write a 4 to 5 page paper telling me the facts about your topic. This paper should be written using only the facts on the topic. **THIS IS NOT AN OPINION PAPER.** Make sure your paper is well written, that it flows well and is not choppy.

You should also keep in mind, that if you choose to do your paper on the topic of a major stage musical (i.e. *RENT*, *Into The Woods*, *CHICAGO*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, etc.) or Broadway play (i.e. *Proof*, *Angels In America*, *Madame Butterfly*, etc.) that you should write your paper about the **stage version** of that production and **NOT** the movie version. Likewise if you choose one particular actor or director to write your paper about you should focus on their work in live theatre and **NOT** their work in film. I don't mind a mention of their work in film but it should be minimal.

I urge you also to remember that while this is to be a paper recounting the facts on your topic, it should also be written in your own words. **DO NOT COPY AND PASTE SOMEONE ELSE'S WORK AND PASS IT OFF AS YOUR OWN.** That is called plagiarism and is a very serious offense that can lead to disciplinary action as severe as dismissal from the university.

Late papers will lose twenty (20) points per day late

### Research:

You must have at least four (4) sources of research, only two (2) of which can be websites. This means you should not have three (3+) or more websites as sources of research because that exceeds the maximum of two internet sources allowed. If you wish to have more than two (2) print sources of research that is fine.

### Format:

This paper needs:

- To be typed
- To include both a title page and a bibliography/works cited page
- 4-5 pages long, does not include your title page bibliography/works cited page
- Have 1 inch margins
- Use 12 point, TIMES NEW ROMAN font
- Have 1.5 spacing
- Except for 1.5 line spacing, paper should adhere to MLA writing style

### Library Assistance:

Theatre Arts subject librarian David Bell ([dsbell@eiu.edu](mailto:dsbell@eiu.edu), 581-7547) is a great resource to help you find topics and information for this paper. Additionally, he can help you with a variety of research methods.

## EIU Writing Center

**30 points** of your grade involves attending at least one writing session at the EIU Writing Center. Attach one or more session sheets from Writing Center consulting sessions to your hard copy paper, turn them in separately if the rest of your paper is turned in electronically, or scan and submit them electronically with your paper via e-mail.

To schedule an appointment, go to 3110 Coleman Hall or call 581-5929. The writing center is open Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

When you go to a conference in the writing center, you should bring these items:

- This sheet with the parameters of the writing assignment
- Questions and ideas

## Grade Breakdown:

<b>Format of paper:</b>	<b>125pts.</b>
○ 4 page minimum	40pts.
○ 1 inch margins	15pts.
○ 12 point, Times New Roman font	15pts.
○ 1.5 spacing	15pts.
○ Title page	10pts.
○ EIU Writing Center Session Sheet	30pts.
<b>Research with Bibliography:</b>	<b>50pts.</b>
<b>Body of paper:</b>	<b>125pts.</b>
○ Ease of reading	25pts.
○ Adequate coverage of subject matter	100pts.
<b>Total points:</b>	<b>300pts.</b>

## Milestone Dates

### Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

- You should have your research books/articles/web sources identified and in your possession or on order with library.

### Thursday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>

- You should have your rough draft completed or be well on your way to completion as you'll only have one week left to complete your paper by this date. This point is a good time to talk to me about any concerns you might have about your paper.

### Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup>

- Paper Due at top of class



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