UC Berkeley Summer Sessions
Student Orientation Guide
THEATER 118AC
PERFORMANCE THEORY: Performance Television, and Social Media
June 21 - August 13, 2021

Expected Student Workload

The estimated workload for this course is 22.5 hours per week. (Including all time to view instructor-uploaded materials, do the assigned readings, and participate in online discussions) In order to be successful in the course, you need to allocate at least this much time per week, if not more.

Preparing for Your Course

Textbooks/Course Materials

All readings will be made available on the bCourse site (PDFs will be located in bCourses/Files, live links to web articles will be located in the Syllabus). It is recommended that students have a working subscription to a streaming platform offering television content (Netflix, Hulu, or Amazon Prime Video), as this will allow them to select television episodes that they can write about for their weekly Assignments. However, this is a recommendation, not a requirement (students may choose to access television content in other ways, i.e., through a cable subscription, DVDs, or viewing clips on YouTube).

Computer Requirements

• Review the What are the browser and computer requirements for Canvas?

Course Log-on

• Classroom – bcourses.berkeley.edu
  o You will need to authenticate and login with your CalNet ID and passphrase
  o If you don’t already have your CalNet ID contact CalNet directly calnet@berkeley.edu or 510-642-4126
• Personalize your settings (only takes a minute)
• Setting up your notification preferences (you can choose to receive course communication through a personal email account or mobile device)
  o We recommend setting your preference for receiving Announcements to ASAP (via text or email) in case we need to contact you on short notice
• Tech Support
  o In your course, click on the “Help” button on the bottom left of the global navigation menu

Access to Your Course

• You will be able to access the Orientation Module one week prior to the start date
• Read and accept the UC Berkeley Academic Integrity Pledge
• Module 1 will open on the first day of class

**PLEASE NOTE**: You will NOT be able to launch Module 1 until you read and accept the UC Berkeley Academic Integrity Pledge.

**Learning Activities**
• Read the assigned texts
• Watch and listen to the multimedia lecture presentations
• Complete weekly Assignments and submit on bCourses
• Interact with GSI and professor (participation in their weekly chat times is recommended)
• Complete Final Project and submit on bCourses

**Students with Disabilities**
• If you are requiring course accommodations due to a physical, emotional, or learning disability contact the UC Berkeley’s Disabled Students' Program (DSP).
• Have the DSP office send the instructor a letter of accommodation for you as close to the beginning of the course as possible. You will not receive accommodations until the instructor has received a letter for you from the DSP office.

**Final Project**
• A final project will be submitted through the online course.

**Have Questions?**
• Email summer_online_support@berkeley.edu