



SCREENWRITING & PLAYWRITING

The Westphal College Screenwriting & Playwriting program is designed to guide and prepare students in their pursuit of a writing career for the stage or the screen. The program emphasizes both the principles of dramatic writing and a practical hands-on approach to instruction. Graduates are armed with the skills, experience, and confidence to gain an edge in a growing and competitive field.

In their courses, students first acquire the essential skills of dramatic story telling, and then apply this knowledge to the creation of scripts that conform to professional standards. Students meet and interact with successful working artists in the entertainment industry, and learn first-hand about real world industry requirements. In addition, Drexel's pioneering co-op affords hands-on experience in the field. Perhaps the most important skill Screenwriting & Playwriting students acquire at Drexel is the life-long process of accumulating a writer's capital. They acquire the tools of the mind with which they'll see and hear the world, spin from reality and imagination, and tell their own uniquely compelling stories.

**Employers Who Have Hired
 Drexel Students Include:**

AM Ambrosino Development
 College Humor/ Big Breakfast
 Fame House
 Keystone Pictures
 Philadelphia Theatre Company
 Sirius XM
 The Groundlings
 Wilma Theatre

Professional writing experience of any kind is better than none; if you get the opportunity to work on a writing project, take it. In your co-op search, keep an open mind and be willing to perform lower level duties just for the chance of immersing yourself with a creative team. Of course, Philadelphia is a major, national media center. The city's own activities as well as those of nearby New York and Washington D.C. provide students with opportunities to interact and take part in a rich array of cultural, cinematic and theatrical offerings. Your co-op interview may be bolstered by your demonstrated participation, at least as an audience member, in local theatre.

Students wanting specific information about the major are encouraged to stop by the department office in the URBN Center at 3501 Market Street or visit their website at drexel.edu/westphal.

JOB TITLES

Editorial Assistant
 Playwright
 Production Assistant

Research Assistant
 Screenwriter
 Writing Teacher

Please refer to drexel.edu/scdc for our most recent co-op salary information.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & INTERNET RESOURCES

Writer's Guild of America, West
wga.org

Writer's Guild of America, East
wgaeast.org

American Society of Journalists & Authors
asja.org

Poets and Writers
pw.org

Philadelphia Dramatists Center
pdc1.org

The Theatre Alliance of Greater Philadelphia
theatrealliance.org

Public Relations Society of America
prsa.org

CAREER RESOURCES

Resume, Interviewing and Job Search Best Practices
drexel.edu/scdc/professional-pointers

Workshop Calendar
drexel.edu/scdc/calendars-events/workshops

DREXEL DEPARTMENTS

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Hagerty Library
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