

# ARTICULATE BODIES: WRITING INSTRUCTION IN A PERFORMANCE-BASED CURRICULUM

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# Writing Enriched Curriculum project

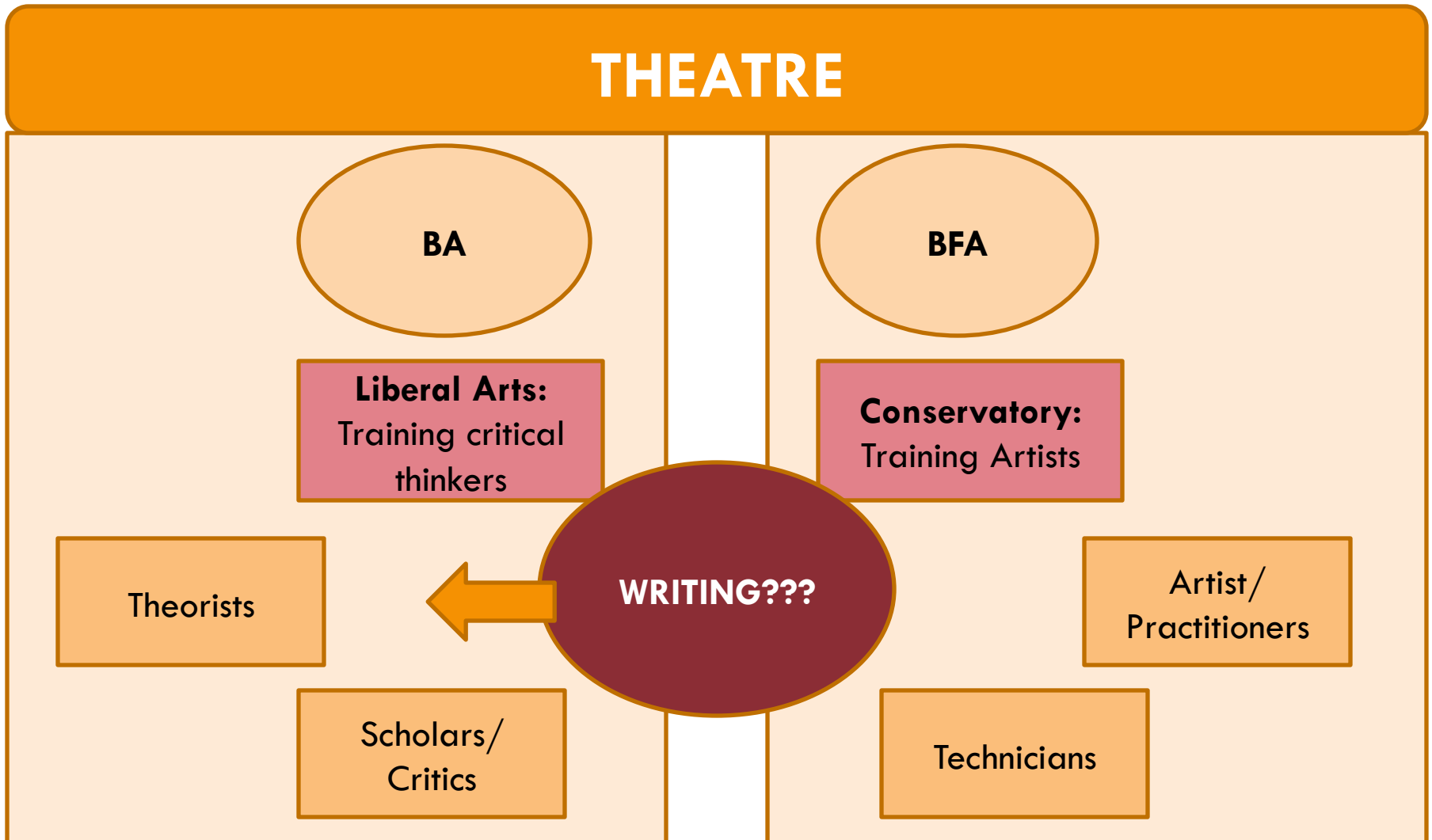
## WAC and WID

- ❑ Writing is developed through constant practice in disciplinary contexts
- ❑ Writing is inseparable from processes of reasoning, creativity, and communication in those disciplines
- ❑ Ongoing writing instruction is the responsibility of all instructors in the discipline

## WEC

- ❑ “Mark-making in the service of communication”
- ❑ Creating a definition of writing
- ❑ A thorough, institutionally supported process, ensuring writing instruction permeates entire curriculum
- ❑ Making disciplinary expectations about ‘good writing’ clear to students

# Departmental Divisions



# Theatre and Dance: Expansive definition of writing



- 1. The Headpiece
- 2. The Neckline
- 3. The Shoulder
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**Exhibit V:**

**Exhibit I:**



# Writing in Theatre

## WHY DO WE WRITE IN THEATRE?

- Writing in theatre is a part of the artistic *process*.
- Like artistic practice, writing in theatre *communicates* a vision, experience, or idea.

## WHAT MAKES GOOD WRITING IN THEATRE?

- It is aware of its audience
- It is multi-disciplinary
- It is poetic
- It balances the subjective with the objective

## HOW DO WE GO ABOUT WRITING IN THEATRE?

- Writing in theatre originates in research
- Writing in theatre is similar to the process of rehearsal
- Writing in theatre requires commitment

## WHAT ABILITIES DO WE NEED TO WRITE EFFECTIVELY IN THEATRE?

- Conduct research
- Unlock and explore the imagination
- Create descriptions of performance, design components, and/or dramatic texts
- Identify, interpret, and analyze
- Create and support a thesis driven argument
- Develop an awareness of differences between conventions and genres of writing
- Deepen ideas to reach new levels of complexity
- Develop self-reflexivity
- Practice revision

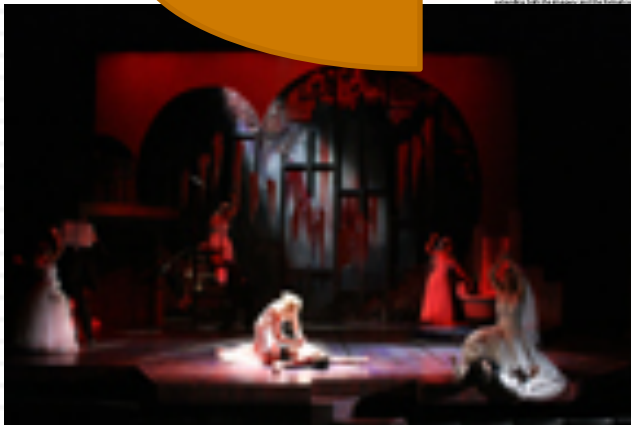
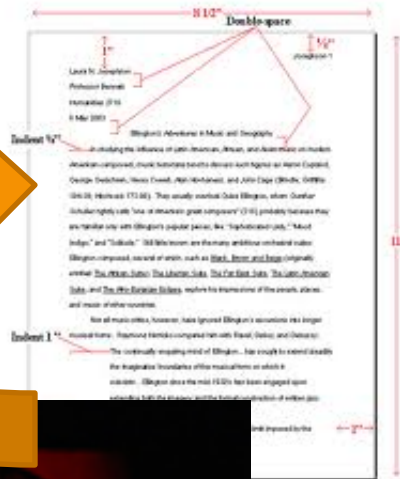
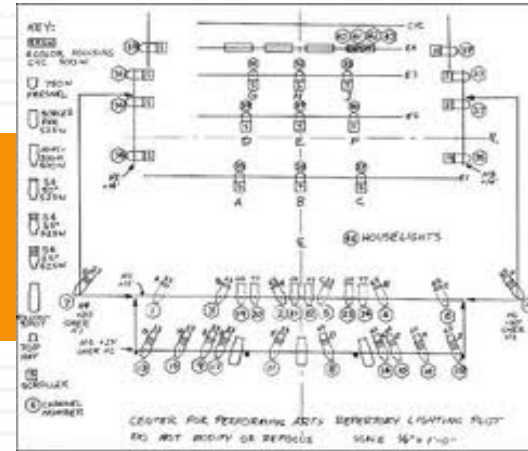


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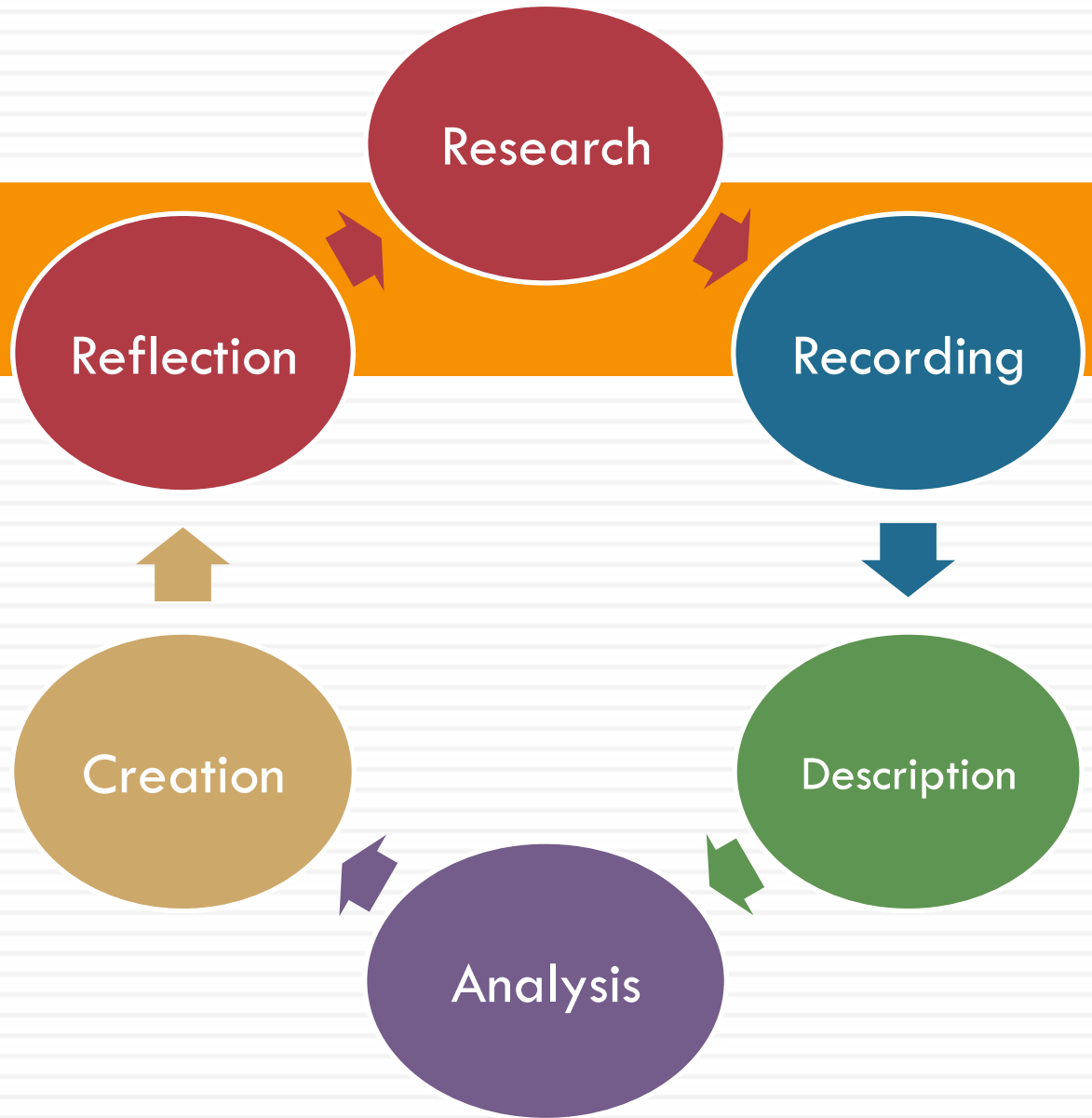
*“In a twitchy effort to wipe imaginary mud off of her body, she caresses one leg with the other with a dawdling pace, moving from the knee to the foot and finishing the motion with a quick flick as to fling the mud accumulated from the stroke into the air. She performs this action repetitively, although she never seems to feel sufficiently unsoiled and comfortable.”*

# Translation





# Process



# Metacognition

What  
artistic  
choices am  
I making?

How am I  
honing the  
skills from  
class this  
week?



How is my  
voice  
working?



How is this  
production  
shaping my  
artistic  
process?

