Information for overseas international applicants to the Bachelor of Arts (Music Theatre)

Introduction:

WAAPA accepts video auditions from international applicants only. Applicants from rural and remote areas are expected to attend an audition in one of the capital cities visited by WAAPA each November. If you are from a remote rural part of Australia and cannot attend one of these auditions, please apply online through ECU’s applicant portal and contact the Course Information Hub immediately.

We regret that it is unlikely that you would be accepted on the basis of the DVD alone. The best probable outcome would be that you were invited to the call-backs in an Australian capital city which must be attended in person.

You need to read “Music Theatre Application & Audition Information” for further information about applying, attachments and eligibility.

The video format:

You need to provide us with a video on either a DVD in playable format that can be played in a domestic DVD player (ie not computer files such as avi, mov, wmv, etc), or you can upload the video to Vimeo or YouTube and email us with the link and password.

It is important that the sound and video quality of the DVD is high so the panel can assess your presentation. The room needs to be well lit and you should use a higher quality remote microphone rather than the camera microphone.

The video content

- Introduce yourself with by telling us your name and country of origin and a brief explanation about why you wish to come to study at WAAPA in Western Australia.

- Singing: Perform two songs from musicals that contrast in mood and/or styles (such as ballad and up tempo). One song must be from a musical written before 1960. Both songs must be memorised and performed with accompaniment. Neither song can be longer than two minutes. You are permitted to edit songs to meet the time requirement.

- Acting: You must perform from memory one monologue chosen from the pieces published on the WAAPA website (changed every July for the following year’s intake).

- Dance: Perform a solo of not more than two minutes in either jazz (showing technical aspects of jazz – such as turns, kicks and leaps/jumps) or tap. This section should be filmed so that the full body is visible at all times.

- The course is fulltime with a high amount of contact hours and rehearsal commitments. This means that opportunities for taking on part time work are very limited. Please tell us how you intend paying the fees and supporting yourself during your studies.

Please ensure that you are seen at full length on the video and include movement in profile so that we can ascertain any postural or movement difficulties. Avoid wearing baggy clothing as it is important for us to be able to see the form of your body.
Sending the DVD

The DVD must be received marked clearly with your name and the course you are applying for by 31 October. Send the DVD to:

Student Hub  
Building 3 Room 161  
Edith Cowan University  
2 Bradford Street  
Mount Lawley WA 6050  
Australia

After the video is assessed:

You will be contacted by either Edith Cowan University's International Office the Student Hub. WAAPA regrets that it is unlikely that you will be accepted into the course on the basis of the DVD alone. The selection panel may ask you to attend an audition in person if it feels you are of the appropriate standard. Any encouragement you get from the panel relating to attending an audition in person is given on the understanding that you will not be guaranteed a place in the course or an invitation to the second round of the auditions if you attend.

I hope this information assists you. Please email us with any queries at the address below.

Student Hub  
Edith Cowan University  
enquiries@ecu.edu.au