• **DANCE (DAN)**

The dance program offers professional preparation through a curriculum of study within three degree options: B.F.A. in Dance Performance; B.A. in Dance Studies; B.S. in Dance Education. There is an expressed commitment to the development and production of original creative works as extensions of studio/classroom experiences, of faculty research, and in interactions with guest artists.

The presentation of dance in concert is essential to the educational mission, and provides students and the community with frequent opportunities for expanding aesthetic experiences.

Through intensive study in dance technique, creative studio studies and dance theory, students are prepared for careers in performance, choreography, and education. Additionally, these degree programs may help prepare students for graduate work in Dance Sciences/Medicine, Dance Therapy, Arts Management, Performance, Choreography, or Interdisciplinary Studies.

Admission to the Dance Department is contingent upon acceptance by the university and successful completion of a performance audition. Students must complete the audition prior to Orientation and registration for Dance courses.

**Prerequisites (State Mandated Common Prerequisites)**

The College of Fine Arts encourages students to complete the A.A. degree at the community college. Some courses required for the major may also meet General Education Requirements thereby transferring maximum hours to the university. If a student wishes to transfer without an A.A. degree and has fewer than 60 semester hours of acceptable credit, the student must meet the university’s entering freshman requirements including ACT or SAT test scores, GPA, and course requirements. Please be aware of the immunization, foreign language, and continuous enrollment policies of the university. This is a non-limited access program with the above courses recommended.

Students are encouraged to complete the following required courses and/or electives (if available) during the program of study at the community college. If these courses are not taken at the community college, they must be completed before the degree is granted. Unless stated otherwise, a grade of “C” is the minimum acceptable grade. If students are coming to the university from a community college, the following prerequisite courses will be accepted as meeting lower level requirements.

**Prerequisites for B.A. in Dance**

- **DAN 1603 or DAN 2610**
- **TPA 2200 or TPA 2223 or TPA 2232**
- **DAA X200-X209 - up to 10 credit hours of any lower level**
- **Ballet Technique courses within the 200-209 taxonomy**
- **DAA X100-X109 - up to 10 credit hours of any lower level**
- **Modern Technique courses within the 100-109 taxonomy**

Although credit toward the major will be given for these courses, placement in upper level technique classes will continue to be based on individual proficiency. Other technique courses in other styles of dance may be accepted toward the major on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the university. Transfer dance credits must be presented for evaluation by faculty and dance advisor at time of entrance.

**Requirements for the Dance Minor**

The Dance Minor is designed to provide students with a scope of experiences in dance which include studio technique, creative studio, and dance theory. The student selecting a Dance Minor should arrange to meet with the academic advisor in dance prior to enrolling for classes.

**Studio Technique (10 semester hours)**

Select 10 credits from:

**DAA 2205 Ballet I**
**DAA 3208 Ballet II**
**DAA 3209 Ballet III**
**DAA 4211 Ballet IV**
**DAA 2105 Modern Dance I**
**DAA 3108 Modern Dance II**
**DAA 3109 Modern Dance III**
**DAA 4111 Modern Dance IV**
**DAA 2504 Jazz Dance**
**DAA 4930 Special Topics in Dance**

(Studio Dance courses may be repeated only once toward the Dance Minor.)

**Creative Studio Studies (4 semester hours)**

Select 4 credits from:

- **DAA 3624 Dance Improvisation**
- **DAA 3614 Choreography I**
- **DAA 3615 Choreography II**

*Music for Dance is a pre-requisite for Choreography.

**Dance Theory (6 semester hours)**

Select 6 credits from:

- **DAN 2100 Introduction to Dance**
- **DAN 4134 Dance History Through the 19th Century**
- **DAN 4135 20th Century Dance History**

**Dance Electives (4 semester hours)**

TOTAL 24