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Introduction

This handbook is designed as a two-part resource for the students accepted into a Florida State University School of Dance degree program. The document you are viewing contains specific information for the BFA in Dance. Its partner is a general School of Dance handbook which is a compilation of information, policies and procedures that can help you get the most from your time at Florida State University.

The BFA Program in Dance

Admission, Audition, and Screening

All students who wish to major in dance must audition for admission into the dance major program. Auditions are held at designated periods throughout the year. In addition to the procedures for admission into the dance major program, the student must meet the requirements for admission into the University. Students have one full year to enroll in the major after being accepted without having to re-audition. Once enrolled, students may take a leave of absence for up to one full year without re-auditioning.

Screening of every dance major occurs at various times throughout each year to assess the student's progress. Such assessment is part of a continuous advisement and mentoring procedure. A student who is having difficulty meeting curricular proficiency standards and/or other requirements may be placed on probationary status for a designated period of time in order to address particular problem areas with the help of the faculty. The student who cannot meet the curricular standards will be discontinued from the dance major program. Students not maintaining a 3.0 average in their major and a 2.5 overall GPA will be put on a registration hold until the average is brought up and will be placed on "warning." If the average is not up to MILESTONE requirements by the following semester, the student will be placed on "probation" and will not be allowed to perform in School of Dance productions nor work on any artistic projects outside of normal classroom activities. If the average is not brought up the following semester, the student will be required by the university to change majors. Students who have previously been on probation are subject to return to probation without a "warning" semester if their GPA falls below the standard again. (see Dance Major Academic Map)

The Technique Component; Placement and Proficiency

All students are assigned an appropriate placement level in ballet and contemporary dance upon entrance into the program and must maintain continuous participation in ballet and contemporary dance technique classes throughout enrollment in the curriculum. Students who demonstrate the skill necessary for the next level of work upon completion of a studio technique course will be permitted to enroll at the next level. Students will be expected to continue in designated courses at their level of technique until they are ready to advance. To meet graduation requirements, the student must achieve and maintain the Ballet II-2 level and the Contemporary Dance II-1 level or the Contemporary Dance II-2 level and the Ballet II-1 level; the advanced proficiency level (II-2) must be achieved by one semester prior to graduation.

Dance Ensemble

Students are required to complete one (1) credit hour of the Ensemble course requirement each academic year. Students register for zero (0) credit hours in the fall and one (1) credit in the spring. Required for the Ensemble credit is enrollment in the appropriate course according to the student's MAPPING schedule and attendance at Dance Forum (a series of lectures, films, and performances scheduled on Wednesdays from 10:30–11:50am throughout the academic year). Students are also responsible for auditioning for scheduled school productions, securing a function as cast member, understudy, or rehearsal assistant and then attending all rehearsals and performances of at least one school-sponsored performing opportunity. Ensemble credit is for school concerts and productions only and receives a Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory grade. Credit will be given during the spring semester with satisfactory completion of performance component and satisfactory attendance at Dance Forum for the academic year. Reference course syllabus for further details.

Liberal Studies/CoreFSU

All students working toward a degree in dance are required to meet the University's Liberal Studies/CoreFSU requirements. Reference the FSU General Bulletin for current requirements.

Electives

The BFA dance major will choose and complete an area (or areas) of elective study during their final two years of study. The elective requirement is a minimum of 11 credit hours. Possible areas of electives may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Performance/Repertory
- Choreography
- Personal training for dance (Pilates, Gyrotonic, etc.)
- Dance History
- Research in dance
- Somatics related to dance
- Dance Production
- Dance/Arts Administration
- Music Resources for dance
- New York City: Arts and Resources
- Dance Technology
- Teaching and Dance Education

Senior Capstone Experience

The Senior Capstone Experience (3 credits) is a requirement for all BFA majors. Each student will successfully complete a capstone project during their final spring semester in residency in Tallahassee. Such projects might include, but are not limited to: choreographic work, multimedia work, community engagement project, production design, research project, repertory restaging. The course instructor must approve the scope and depth of the project during a proposal phase. Honors in the Major projects may coincide with capstone investigations.

Advising

Students must meet with both their liberal studies/CoreFSU and dance advisors each semester to prepare for registration for the following semester. Please watch for emails detailing when to sign up for advising meetings. If you fail to meet with your advisors, a hold will be placed on your account and you will not be able to register for classes.

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BFA Curriculum

Dance Technique

Contemporary Dance

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Class Name</u>	<u>Semester Hours</u>
DAA 3108	Contemporary Dance I	2
DAA 3109-01	Contemporary Dance II-I	2
DAA 3109-02	Contemporary Dance II-II	2
DAA 4110	Contemporary Dance III	2

Ballet

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Class Name</u>	<u>Semester Hours</u>
DAA 3208	Ballet I	2
DAA 3209-01	Ballet II-I	2
DAA 3209-02	Ballet II-II	2
DAA 4210	Ballet III	2

Students will be enrolled in two credits of Ballet and two credits of Contemporary technique throughout the duration of each Fall and Spring semester, for a total of four credits of technique per semester. Technique courses in Fall and Spring are offered in the format of half-semester modules (Modules A and B). Students will complete one credit of Ballet and one credit of Contemporary in each module. The student is placed at the appropriate technical level each term. Both ballet and contemporary dance are taken four days each week throughout enrollment as a dance major, with these possible exceptions:

1. During Summer Session, the student may elect to take only one of the technique courses (either ballet or contemporary dance). Technique classes are only offered during Summer terms A and B.
2. If the student has achieved and maintained the required proficiency levels in technique at a B or better average, they may elect to take only one of the technique courses (either ballet or contemporary dance) during one of the final two semesters. Students who attend the ARTS in NYC program in the spring of their senior year are not eligible for this option in the fall of their senior year. Students who have not yet completed six semesters of technique (summers excluded) are also not eligible for this option.

Composition and Repertory

The dance major must complete a minimum of 10 semester hours in composition and repertory. The following sequence of courses is required:

- DAA 2610. Dance Composition (2). Exploration of basic rhythmic, spatial, and dynamic materials in the designing of dance movements; improvisation and exploration of various ideological and aesthetic sources.
- DAN 2611. Music and Choreography (3). Study of choreographic forms and structures; musical forms; extended temporal and dynamic studies; components of dramatic and stylistic forms.
- DAA 3654. Choreography–Repertory (2). The study and practice of selected works of dance repertory. DAA 3654 may be repeated for a maximum credit of 16 semester hours. Consent of instructor required.
- DAA 3614. Dance Composition (3). Extended choreographic projects. Consent of instructor required.

Other Required Courses

DAN 2101	Introduction to the Dance Profession	3
DAN 2500	Introduction to Design	1
DAN 2610	Rhythmic Analysis	3
DAN 3744	Dance Conditioning	2
DAE 3384	Methods and Materials in Dance Education	3
DAN 3504	Dance Production	2
DAN 3584	Dance Theatre Lab	1
DAN 3400	Movement Analysis	3
DAN 3144	Cultural Perspectives on Dance	3

DAN 3145	Classical Perspectives on Dance	3
DAN 3146	Contemporary Perspectives on Dance	3
DAN 3714	Dance Kinesiology	3
DAN 4418	Survey of Dance Technologies	3
DAA 1680, 2681, 3684, 4685	Dance Ensemble	1,1,1,1
DAN 4971	Senior Capstone Experience	3
TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS =		40

Liberal Studies/CoreFSU

DAN 3144 may be applied to the Humanities/Cultural Practice area of Liberal Studies/CoreFSU requirements.

DAN 4971 The Senior Capstone Experience qualifies as a Formative Experience/Scholarship in Practice.

DAN 3146 Contemporary Perspectives on Dance qualifies as an upper division writing course.

Electives

Students will complete 11 credit hours of dance electives.

- DAA 3224C. Pointe Technique and Repertory. (1). Instruction in the theory and practice of ballet and pointe technique and repertory.
- DAA 3695. Dance Performance. (1–2). Preparation and public performance of selected roles in repertory. (Repeatable for maximum of 16 semester hours.)
- DAN 3125. MANCC Experience (3). This course explores the Maggie Allesee National Center for Choreography (MANCC) experience with particular focus dance collaborations and process-oriented work, especially through a contextualization of—and interaction with—visiting MANCC artists and their current projects.
- DAA 3150Cr. Contact Improvisation (1-2). This course examines notions of community and human connection within the technical training of Contact Improvisation.
- DAN 3185. African American Dance in American Culture (3). Using African-American dance as a central focus, this course examines how culture and artistic expression can both integrate and divide different groups of people along lines of race and class.
- DAN 3758Cr. Reformer Training for Dancers (2). Prerequisite: DAN 3744. This course teaches students to use the Pilates Reformer and other conditioning equipment to augment their dance technique training. Students learn a progressive program of exercises designed for dancers, refine their performance of the exercises, and adapt the program to their individual needs. Students also learn to see optimal alignment and efficient movement in other dancers and learn to provide targeted cueing and feedback for their partner. May be repeated to a maximum of six (6) credit hours.
- DAN 4182. Dancing in the Movies (3). This course traces the evolution of dance in the American popular film industry. Emphasis will be placed on how movies encapsulate popular stereotypes and icons, revealing the roles of gender, race, fashion, economic and political forces.
- DAN 4420r. Dance and Video (2). Prerequisite: DAN 4418. This course, when offered, includes a variety of approaches to the merger of dance and video technologies. Possible topics include: camera techniques, projection design, documentation, documentary filmmaking, real-time interactive performance.
- DAN 4484. Documentation Techniques (3). Prerequisite: DAN 4418. This course instructs students in capturing the art of motion, combining hands-on experience with reading, discussion, and critique to develop technical skills and aesthetic awareness related to the documentation of concert dance.
- DAN 4501. Production and Stage Management for Dance (3). This course will introduce the students to the foundations of stage and production management for dance. This includes basic coursework in resource and project management, as well as theoretical and practical experience in stage management.
- DAN 4760. Gyrotonic Methodology (3). This course will introduce students to the GYROTONIC® specialized exercise system. Gyrotonic offers enhanced freedom of movement with exercises executed on the professional Pulley Tower machine.
- DAN 4900r. Honors Study in Dance (1–6). Prerequisite: Admission to honors in dance program. Written

thesis for creative or academic research done as part of the honors in dance program. May be repeated to a maximum of nine semester hours.

- DAN 4905r. Directed Individual Study (1–3). May be repeated to a maximum of twelve semester hours.
- DAN 4910r. Dance Internship (1–6). This internship experience provides students with professional experience related to their field of study. This internship offers placements with a variety of dance- and arts-related organizations. The internship enables students to receive valuable networking connections, hands-on training, and the opportunity to work closely with professionals on meaningful projects. May be repeated to a maximum of twelve (12) credit hours.
- DAN 4935. Special Topics in Dance (1–3). Prerequisites; vary depending on topic. Topics may vary from term to term. May be repeated to a maximum of twelve (12) semester hours.
- IDS 2373. From Ballet to Beyoncé: Gender and the Body in Dance and Pop Culture (3). This course uses dance and popular culture performances to explore current trends and issues in American gender. Through discussion, video viewings, and accessible readings, students explore the ways in which the moving body reflects and shapes identity. No previous movement experience necessary for this seminar.

Summary of Requirements

• DANCE TECHNIQUE	30 semester hours
<i>Achievement of technical proficiency required. See explanation under “Dance Technique” above.</i>	
• COMPOSITION & REPERTORY	10 semester hours
• OTHER DANCE COURSES	40 semester hours
• LIBERAL STUDIES/CoreFSU	37 semester hours
<i>36 Gen Ed hours plus 1 hour Natural Science Lab (General Education requirement)</i>	
<i>3 hours of DAN3144, 3145, or 3146 may be applied to the Humanities and Cultural Practice requirements.</i>	
<i>DAN4418 may be applied to Computer Competency/Digital Literacy.</i>	
• DANCE ELECTIVES	11 semester hours
<i>See explanation under “Electives” above.</i>	
• TOTAL	128 semester hours

(NOTE: For the transfer student, the applicability of previous coursework to dance curricular requirements is assessed and determined by the School of Dance.)

Nine Hour Summer Term Requirement

Students who have entered a university in the State of Florida, Division of Colleges and Universities, with fewer than sixty hours of credit are required to earn at least nine (9) hours prior to graduation by attendance in one or more Summer terms at one of the State University System institutions. If this requirement creates unreasonable financial or personal hardship for you or interferes with professional development in the dance field, e.g., summer dance intensives or summer dance employment, you may submit a Summer Waiver Request in MyFSU in your final year to request that this requirement be waived. Please consult with your advisor about this requirement to ensure proper protocol and adherence to policies.

Summer Technique Requirement

Students enrolled in Summer A or C are required to enroll in a dance technique course during Summer A. Students enrolled in Summer B are required to enroll in a dance technique course during Summer B.

Dance Major Academic Map

(Effective Summer 2017 and after)

This map is a term-by-term sample course schedule. The milestones listed to the right of each term are designed to keep you on course to graduate in four years. The Sample Schedule serves as a general guideline to help you build a full schedule each term. The General Education and Elective courses must be selected to satisfy all area and multicultural requirements unless your program meets these requirements with major courses. Milestones are courses and special requirements necessary for timely progress to complete a major. Missing milestones will result in one of two types of map registration stops. The first level (Degree Map Off-track) is placed following grade posting if the student has missed a milestone (course and/or GPA) for the first time in the major. If a student is in noncompliance with milestones for two (2) consecutive semesters (excluding summers), a Major Change Required stop is placed on the student's registration.

The BFA Dance Major is a specialized admissions major. To be admitted, you must successfully complete an audition, preferably during your senior year in high school. Information on auditions can be obtained at <http://www.dance.fsu.edu/>

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Sample Schedule

Term 1	hrs
ENC 1101 Freshman Composition	3
1st GE Core Mathematics	3
DAN 2101 Intro to the Dance Profession	3
DAN 3744 Dance Conditioning	2
DAN 2500 Introduction to Design	1
Ballet	2
Contemporary	2

Milestones 1
Complete ENC 1101 (\geq C minus)
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

Term 2	hrs
ENC 2135 Research, Genre, and Context	3
2nd GE Mathematics or Statistics	3
DAA 2610 Dance Composition	2
DAN 2610 Rhythmic Analysis	3
DAA1680 Dance Ensemble	1
Ballet	2
Contemporary	2

Milestones 2
Complete ENC 2135 (\geq C minus)
Complete 1st GE Mathematics (\geq C minus)
Complete annual School of Dance Performance requirement
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

Term 3	hrs
GE Core Humanities/Cultural Practice or Ethics	3
DAN 4418 Survey of Dance Technologies (Computer Competency)	3
DAN 2611 Music and Choreography	3
DAN 3144 Cultural Perspectives on Dance	2
Ballet	2
Contemporary	2

Milestones 3
Complete 2nd GE Mathematics or Statistics (\geq C minus)
May use DAN 3144 to fulfill one Humanities/Fine Arts requirements
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

Term 4	hrs
DAN 3714 Dance Kinesiology	3
GE Core Natural Science with Lab	4
DAN 3504 Dance Production	2
DAN 2681 Dance Ensemble	1
DAA 3654 Choreography–Repertory	2
Ballet	2
Contemporary	2

Milestones 4
Pass Midpoint Milestone Assessment
Complete annual School of Dance Performance requirement
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

Term 5	hrs
GE Core History/Social Science	3
DAN 3400 Movement Analysis	3
DAN 3145 Classical Perspectives on Dance	3
GE Natural Science	3
Ballet	2
Contemporary	2

Term 6	hrs
GE Core History/Social Science	3
DAA 3614 Dance Composition	3
DAN 3146 Contemporary Perspectives on Dance	3
DAA 3684 Dance Ensemble	1
Dance Elective	2
Ballet	2
Contemporary	2

Term 7	hrs
Elective or GE Ethics (if Core is not Ethics)	3
Ballet	2
Contemporary	2
Oral Communication Competency course	3
Dance Elective	3
Elective	3
DAE 3384 Methods & Materials in Dance Education	3

Term 8	hrs
DAA4685 Dance Ensemble	1
DAN 3584 Dance Theatre Lab	1
Ballet or Contemporary	2
DAN 4971: Senior Capstone Experience (SIP)	3
Dance Electives	6

Milestones 5
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

Milestones 6
Complete annual School of Dance Performance requirement
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

Milestones 7
Complete Pre-Graduation Checks
Reach Technical Proficiency Level
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

Milestones 8
Apply for Graduation in 1st two weeks of semester
Complete all General Education and University Requirements
Major GPA of 3.0 and a final grade of C minus or better in all Dance coursework
Overall GPA of a 2.50 or higher

School of Dance BFA Check Sheet

Effective Fall 2017; Last Updated: 5/24/17

Name _____ FSU ID _____

Email/Phone _____ Anticipated Graduation Date _____

2nd Major/Minor _____ Special Program: _____

DANCE TECHNIQUE (30 Credits)

	Sem Taken	Grade	Hours Credits	Qty Points
Contemporary Dance				
DAA _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Ballet

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BALLET TOTAL _____
TOTAL TECHNIQUE _____

	Semester	Grade	Hrs Credit	Qlty Points
DANCE COMPOSITION (10)				
DAA 2610 Composition (2)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 2611 Music & Choreography (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAA 3654 Repertory (2)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAA 3614 Composition (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____

TOTAL

OTHER DANCE COURSES (40)

DAN 2101 Intro to Dance Profession (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3744 Dance Conditioning (2)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 2500 Intro to Design (1)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 2610 Rhythmic Analysis (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 4418 Survey of Dance Technologies (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3144 Cultural Perspectives (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3714 Dance Kinesiology (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3504 Production (2)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3400 Movement Analysis (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3145 Classical Perspectives (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3146 Contemporary Perspectives (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAE 3384 Teaching Methods (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 4971 Senior Capstone Exp (3)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAN 3584 Dance Theatre Lab (1)	_____	_____	_____	_____

DAA 1680 Dance Ensemble (1)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAA 2681 Dance Ensemble (1)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAA 3684 Dance Ensemble (1)	_____	_____	_____	_____
DAA 4685 Dance Ensemble (1)	_____	_____	_____	_____

TOTAL

ELECTIVES (11)

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TOTAL

APPENDIX E—LIBERAL STUDIES ADVISING SHEET

Please record all earned/anticipated credit. Shaded areas are met for students with an articulated AA degree.

FSU GENERAL EDUCATION (36 Hours)			
An overall 2.0 average or better is required on all coursework used to satisfy the General Education requirements.			
AREA	STATEWIDE CORE REQUIREMENTS		ADDITIONAL FSU REQUIREMENTS*
Quantitative and Logical Thinking 6 hours required C- grade or higher	3 hours (choose one): MAC1105, MAC2311, MGF1106, MGF1107, STA2023, or any course for which one of these is a prerequisite. _____ course _____ grade _____ hours		3 hours GE-approved Quant/Logical Thinking (of the 6 total hours for this area, at least 3 <i>must</i> be a course with a MAC or MGF prefix) _____ course _____ grade _____ hours
English Composition 6 hours required C- grade or higher	3 hours: ENC1101 _____ course _____ grade _____ hours		3 hours: ENC2135 _____ course _____ grade _____ hours
Social Sciences 3 hours required AND History 3 hours required	Option A: Choose one Social Science core from: ANT2000, ECO2013, POS1041, PSY2012, SYG1000; <i>and</i> any 3 hours of GE-approved History. Option B: Choose the approved History core AMH2020 <i>and</i> any 3 hours of GE-approved Social Sciences. _____ course _____ grade _____ hours _____ course _____ grade _____ hours		
Humanities & Cultural Practice 3 hours required AND Ethics 3 hours required	Option A: Choose one Humanities core from: ARH2000, HUM2220, LIT2000, MUL2010, THE2000; <i>and</i> any 3 hours of GE-approved Ethics. Option B: Choose Ethics core PHI2010 <i>and</i> any 3 hours of GE-approved Humanities and Cultural Practice. _____ course _____ grade _____ hours _____ course _____ grade _____ hours		
Natural Sciences 6 hours required	3 hours (choose one): AST1002, BSC1005, BSC2010, BSC2085, CHM1020, CHM1045, ESC1000, EVR1001, PHY1020, PHY2048, PHY2053, or any course for which one of these is a prerequisite. _____ course _____ grade _____ hours		3 hours of GE-approved Natural Sciences _____ course _____ grade _____ hours
Additional Approved General Education Hours 6 hours required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours		_____ course _____ grade _____ hours
UNIVERSITY-WIDE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS			
All courses below must be completed with a C- grade or higher. Some courses may also count within General Education above.			
E-Series or "W" (State-Mandated Writing) 6 hours required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours		_____ course _____ grade _____ hours
Scholarly/Formative Exp. 1 SIP course required 1 FE course required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours		_____ course _____ grade _____ hours
Diversity 1 X course required 1 Y course required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours		_____ course _____ grade _____ hours
Civic Literacy POS1041, AMH2020, or a passing for alternative test credit		_____ score	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours
Natural Sciences Laboratory 1 hour required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours	Upper-Division Writing 1 course required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours
Oral Communication Competency 1 course required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours	Computer Competency 1 course required	_____ course _____ grade _____ hours

General Education and Graduation Requirements (Fall 2025 and later)

APPENDIX F - CoreFSU Advising Sheet

Communicate	Reason	Analyze	Engage
<p>English Composition (6 Hours) *^</p> <p>ENC1101</p> <p>Grade _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And</p> <p>ENC2135</p> <p>Grade _____</p>	<p>Quantitative and Logical Thinking (6 Hours) *^</p> <p>Choose One: MAC1105, MAC2311, MGF1130, STA2023, or course for which one is a prerequisite.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And</p> <p>3 hours GE-approved Quant/Logical Thinking (of the 6 total hours for this area, at least 3 must be a course with a MAC or MGF prefix)</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p>	<p>Social Sciences and History (3 Hours Each) *^</p> <p>Option A: Choose one Social Science core from: ANT2000, ECO2013, POS1041, PSY2012, and any 3 hours of GE-approved History.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p>Option B: Choose the approved History core AMH2020 and any 3 hours of GE-approved Social Sciences.</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p>	<p>Scholarship in Practice & Formative Experience +</p> <p>1 SIP Course Required 1 FE Course Required</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____</p> <p>Scholarship in Practice & Formative Experience +</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____</p>
<p>Writing/E-Series (6 Hours) +^</p> <p>Course _____</p> <p>Grade _____</p> <p>Hours _____</p> <p>Course _____</p> <p>Grade _____</p> <p>Hours _____</p>	<p>Natural Sciences (6 Hours) *^</p> <p>Choose One: AST1002, BSC1005, BSC2010, BSC2085, CHM1020, CHM1045, ESC1000, EVR1001, GLY2010C, OCE1001, PHY1020, PHY2048, PHY2053, or any course for which one of these is a prerequisite.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">And</p> <p>3 hours of GE-approved Natural Sciences</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p>	<p>Humanities and Cultural Practices/Ethics (3 Hours Each) *^</p> <p>Option A: Choose one Humanities core from: ARH2000, HUM2020, LIT2000, MUL2010, THE2000; and any 3 hours of GE-approved Ethics.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Or</p> <p>Option B: Choose Ethics core PHI2010 and any 3 hours of GE-approved Humanities and Cultural Practice.</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p>	<p>Civic Literacy</p> <p>Choose One: POS1041 or AMH2020</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AND</p> <p>Assessment _____ Score _____</p> <p>Diversity (2 Courses) +</p> <p>Course _____</p> <p>Grade _____</p> <p>Hours _____</p>
<p>Upper Division Writing (1 Course) +</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____</p> <p>Oral Communication Competency (1 Course) +</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____</p>	<p>Natural Science Lab (1 Hour) +</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p>	<p>Digital Literacy (1 Course) +</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p>	<p>Diversity +</p> <p>Course _____</p> <p>Grade _____</p> <p>Hours _____</p>
<p>Additional General Education Hours (6 Hours) *^ (any approved general education course)</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p> <p>Course _____ Grade _____ Hours _____</p>			

*An overall 2.0 average or better is required on all coursework used to satisfy the General Education Requirements.

+ All courses must be completed with a C- grade or higher. Some courses may also count within General Education.

^ These categories are satisfied for a student with an articulated AA degree. Additionally, AA students are required to complete either a Scholarship in Practice course or a Formative Experience and one Diversity-designated course.

Financial Aid for BFA Dance Students

Limited scholarship aid is offered specifically for undergraduate or graduate dance majors at Florida State University. A limited number of out-of-state tuition waivers may be available to students. These waivers are awarded to those students who demonstrate exceptional and promising ability in the area of dance and who are officially enrolled as dance majors or have been accepted into the dance major program for the coming term.

For undergraduate students who qualify for federal work study, there are occasionally opportunities for special work assistantships. Continuation of Dance Financial Aid of any kind is contingent on the student maintaining a “B” average in Dance major coursework.

To gain additional information concerning scholarships, contact:

La Toya Davis-Craig
School of Dance
P.O. Box 3062120
Tallahassee, Florida 32306-2120
ldavis3@fsu.edu

There are other sources of financial assistance available to students. One may gain complete information regarding scholarships, loans and employment by writing directly to the following office:

Florida State University
Office of Financial Aid
Room A4400 UCA
282 Champions Way
Tallahassee, FL 32306-2430

Hours: M–F, 8:30 am–5:00 pm
Email: ofacs@admin.fsu.edu
Phone: 850/644-0539
Fax: 850/644-6404
<https://financialaid.fsu.edu/>

Combined BFA/MA Degree Pathway

The combined degree pathway offers an opportunity to earn both a BFA degree and an MA degree in Dance. Within a targeted tenure of five years, the combined degree pathway is designed so that successful candidates merge graduate level coursework into the undergraduate senior year, then complete the graduate degree the following year.

This pathway is ideal for the undergraduate dance major who has identified area(s) of interest within the School of Dance curriculum and seeks to deepen their investigation into this/these area(s). The pathway is designed to support self-driven inquiry and offer curricular flexibility. Students pursue elective coursework that relates to their area(s) of interest, deepening their understanding of dance studio studies and scholarship and engaging in significant investigation via process-based research.

Requirements for admission include: an overall Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0; a GPA of 3.0 in all dance coursework, successful obtainment of proficiency in dance technique, as defined by the School of Dance; and a formal application to the Graduate School and School of Dance. Undergraduate students engaged in the combined degree pathway may register for six (6) hours of graduate level coursework during each semester of their senior year, provided that students obtain approval of the Dean of the College of Fine Arts, School of Dance Chair, and the course instructor. Students may apply eleven (11) hours of graduate credit towards their BFA and twelve (12) towards their MA in Dance degrees. Undergraduate seniors enrolled in courses for graduate credit may not carry a semester load of more than fifteen (15) credit hours. Students must have eligibility of combined degree participation certified in the Office of the University Registrar before seeking Dean and instructor approval.

Potential candidates should meet with their academic advisor to determine if the pathway aligns with the student's trajectory of study. Qualified students normally apply to the School of Dance combined degree pathway in their junior year. The Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is not required for admission although students should make a formal application to FSU's Graduate School and the School of Dance's Graduate Program during the last semester of their senior year.

BFA + MA–Studio & Related Studies

The MA with a focus on Studio and Related Studies (SRS) offers students the ability to self-design a course of study that augments dance training with coursework in choreography, technology, dance sciences, administration, production, and/or other areas of interest to the particular student. SRS candidates complete 36 hours for the degree and work towards a cumulative capstone project unique to their own experience. For more information, visit <https://dance.fsu.edu/programs-2/programs-4/ma-studio-and-related-studies/studio-related-studies/>

General MA General MA-Studio and Related Studies Map

	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
Senior Year 6 hours graduate coursework each semester in addition to remaining BFA degree requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DAA 5647: Choreographic Process (2) • DAN 5191: Seminar in Dance Research (3) • Elective (1) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electives (6) *ARTS in NYC option available
Graduate Year 12 hours of graduate coursework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Dance Technique (2) • DAN 5618: Choreography (3) • Electives (7) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Dance Technique (2) • Electives (7) • DAN 5971: MA Capstone (3)

Combined Degree Pathway students may count a total of eleven (11) graduate hours toward the BFA and twelve (12) toward the MA degree in dance.

List of Approved Graduate Courses available to Undergraduates:

Credits will be designated as applicable to the graduate program after the student receives the bachelor's degree and matriculates.

- DAA 3208r or 4110r/5118r. Contemporary Dance (1–3).
- DAA 3209r or 4210r/5218r. Ballet (1–3).
- DAA 3228C/5228. Pointe Technique and Repertory (1).
- DAA 3684r or 4685r/5688r. Dance Ensemble (1). (S/U grade only.)
- DAA 3695r/5698r. Dance Performance (1–2).
- DAE 5305. Science of Dance Training (3). Prerequisite: DAN 3714 or equivalent.
- DAN 3125/5127. MANCC Experience (3).
- DAN 4484/5486. Documentation Techniques (3).
- DAN 4935/5930r. Special Topics in Dance (1-3).
- DAN 5590. Studies in Dance Technology (2).
- DAN 4420r/5591r. Dance and Video (2).
- DAN 4421/5596. Photography for Dance (2).
- DAN 4501/5507. Production and Stage Management for Dance (3).
- DAN 4760/5765. Gyrotonic Methodology (3).
- DAN 4951r/5950r. New York City: Arts and Resources (3).