Dance

Students may select dance as a major through the Performing Arts Department (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/undergrad/artscl/performingarts/). This Bachelor of Arts course of study combines intensive studio work in the technique and theory of modern dance, ballet and composition with seminars that examine dance both as a global phenomenon reflecting culturally historic and aesthetic features as well as an area of scientific research with therapeutic applications. The major also includes a broad range of courses, such as stagecraft, music resources, improvisation, anatomy for dancers, pedagogy, dance therapy, musical theater dance, world dance forms, jazz and tap. Students may also choose to minor in dance or in world music, dance and theater. The interdisciplinary minor in world music, dance and theater encourages students already interested in the performing arts to explore those outside of Euro-American traditions. A certificate program in somatic studies is offered through the University College division of Arts & Sciences.

Students who study dance at Washington University learn from faculty members who have both professional experience and academic degrees. Students also have the opportunity to study with guest artists in residence who teach master classes and set choreography.

In addition, the department offers many opportunities for students to perform and present their work. Washington University Dance Theatre holds annual auditions, and selected students will appear in faculty- and guest artist-choreographed concerts in Edison Theatre. Students particularly interested in performing may audition for the student repertory company Washington University Dance Collective (WUDC). WUDC rehearse and performs throughout the year at area venues as well as on campus. Every spring, student choreographers can audition their work for Student Dance Showcase, which is directed and produced by Washington University dance students. Students also have the annual opportunity to attend the regional American College Dance Conference to perform and to take master classes. Students may also participate in departmental drama productions as well as student productions of choreography and theater.

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**Majors**

**The Major in Dance**

**Total units required:** 34 units, with a minimum of 18 units at the 300 level or above

Studio dance courses at Washington University are an integrated combination of both praxis and the study of the historical, cultural and aesthetic theory of dance as an art form. Although course work is required in all aspects of the dance major, students may individually choose to emphasize their study in one of three areas: dance performance, choreography, or history/theory.

All dance majors must take the following courses (13 units):

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**Total Units: 13**

**Plus 6 units from the following studio technique courses:**

**Breadth Requirement:** The dance major must complete studio dance technique course work in at least two dance genres (e.g., modern, ballet, jazz).

**Note:** Any of these courses may be taken as electives if they are not taken in fulfillment of the requirement.

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**Total Units: 13**

**Plus 6 units of the following history/theory courses:**

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Dance 426  Performing the Political in American Dance  3
Dance 433  Performing Gender and Sexuality in America  3

Plus 9 units of elective courses:

Students may choose any L29 dance courses at the 200 level or above, including University College dance and somatic studies courses (U31), that have not already been taken in fulfillment of the requirements above.

Dance majors may also choose from the following drama courses:

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Additional Information

Study Abroad: Washington University students can pursue dance studies abroad during the academic year at the University of Auckland, New Zealand; the University of Ghana, Legon; and Roehampton University, London. With approval from the dance program, courses at these institutions may fulfill dance major and minor requirements. Courses in other disciplines taught at these institutions may also be accepted by Washington University.

Minors

The Minor in Dance

Total units required: 17 units

Studio-based/technique courses (9 units):

At least 6 of these units must be at the 300 level or above. Students must select from the following list:

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During the past century, China has gone through cultural and its dynamic relationship with traditions and transformations. This course examines the development of modern Chinese Tradition, Engendering Transformations. L29 Dance 1080 Encountering Chinese Culture: Performing Tradition, Engendering Transformations. This course examines the development of modern Chinese culture and its dynamic relationship with traditions and renovations. During the past century, China has gone through a series of political, cultural, economic, and technological transformations that constantly reshaped the form and content of Chinese culture. Tracing the drastic changes in Chinese language, performance and media forms from the late 19th century to contemporary time, this course guides the student through the pivotal moments in modern Chinese history and analyzes their impacts on literature, drama, dance, film and internet culture. What transformative promise did new media and art forms deliver? How do we make sense of the intricate connection between tradition and renovation? The purpose of this course is to foster an understanding of Chinese culture as a dynamic process of formation rather than a static, homogeneous entity. However, instead of seeing this formation as a linear progression with one form or style replacing the other, we will study how past traditions -- both ancient and recently constructed ones -- are reconfigured in new cultural representations and practices.

**Elective courses (2 units):** Any additional history/theory course or studio-based/technique course at the 300 level or above may be used to fulfill this requirement.

**The Minor in World Music, Dance and Theater**

For the world music, dance and theater minor, visit the Performing Arts page (http://bulletin.wustl.edu/undergrad/artsci/performingarts/#minors) of this Bulletin.

### Courses


**L29 Dance 106E Introduction to Dance as a Contemporary Art Form**

Introduction to dance as a creative art form. Through practical work in the studio, students gain an understanding of the human body as an instrument of expression and of motion as the medium of dance. Technique, analysis and creative work. Not open to majors. May be repeated once for credit. Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

**L29 Dance 107 Ampersand: Encountering China: A Performative Perspective on Chinese Culture and Identity**

This course examines the diversified and rich history of Chinese visual and performance cultures from the Chinese mainland, Taiwan, Hong Kong, and throughout the Chinese diaspora. A collaboration between the East Asian Languages and Cultures and Performing Arts departments, this course explores Chinese cultural narratives in relation to how they have been performed -- on stage in traditional forms of dance-drama, on screen in film, and as lived in the practice of everyday life -- from the late Imperial period to the present. It includes a practice component that introduces the students to movement disciplines such as Tai Chi and opera, and it allows students to pursue creative assignments such as interview, stage plays, and filmmaking that demonstrate their developing knowledge of historical and contemporary Chinese culture. Building bridges of understanding between the United States and the Republic of China in Taiwan, this course will culminate in a spring break trip to Taiwan. This course is only for first-year, non-transfer students in the Ampersand: Encountering China program. Same as L61 FYP 107 Credit 3 units. A&S: AMP A&S IQ: LCD, SC BU: HUM, IS EN: H

**L29 Dance 1080 Encountering Chinese Culture: Performing Tradition, Engendering Transformations**

This course examines the development of modern Chinese culture and its dynamic relationship with traditions and renovations. During the past century, China has gone through a series of political, cultural, economic, and technological transformations that constantly reshaped the form and content...
culture of theatrical space and design. Students are required to
serve as a crew member on one departmental production and
attend productions of the Edison Theatre Ovations series and
the Performing Arts Department.
Same as L15 Drama 212E
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 213 Improvisation I
This course explores the process and art form of creative,
expressive, spontaneous dance making. Students learn to move
and respond simultaneously in the moment, developing skills of
communication, observation, performance and composition in
the language of movement. Open to dancers of all levels. Light
reading; in class and out-of-class projects.
Credit 1 unit. Art: HUM BU: HUM

L29 Dance 221 Fundamentals of Classical Ballet
Designed for dancers with no previous training or knowledge of
the development of ballet in America, a systematic introduction
to the ballet technique, including traditional terminology, and
introductory readings on American Ballet Theatre as a repository
for classical and modern ballet repertoire of both American
and European choreographers. Attention to basic anatomical
concerns and body alignment as well as to the classical
movement vocabulary. Prerequisite: none.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 222 Fundamentals of Classical Ballet
Designed for dancers with no previous training or knowledge of
the development of ballet in America, a systematic introduction
to the ballet technique, including traditional terminology, and
introductory readings on American Ballet Theatre as a repository
for the choreography of George Balanchine. Attention to basic
anatomical concerns and body alignment as well as to the classical
movement vocabulary.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 240 Afro-Modern Dance (Dunham Technique)
This course introduces students to Katherine Dunham's dance
technique, which combines ballet, modern, and Afro-Caribbean
dance. Dunham Technique is one of the most important
foundations for jazz dance and also shares characteristics with
West African Dance and several modern dance techniques.
Some lectures and occasional short readings will supplement
this studio-based course so that students can learn more about
Katherine Dunham (1909-2006), one of the great pioneers of
dance in America. The class is open to all levels, although at
least one semester of previous dance experience is required.
Repeatable one time for credit in subsequent semester.
Credit 2 units.

L29 Dance 257 Dance Theater Production
Experience in technical production. Required stage work
includes two studio dance productions supervised by faculty.
Prerequisite: Dance 212E.
Credit 1 unit. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 296 Internship
Students may receive up to 3 units of credit for an approved
internship with an organization where the primary objective is to
obtain professional experience outside the classroom. Students
must file a Learning Agreement with the Career Center, a faculty
sponsor and the site supervisor. This must be approved by all
three constituencies before proceeding. A final written project
is agreed upon between the student and faculty sponsor before
work begins, and is evaluated by the faculty sponsor at the end
of the internship.
Credit variable, maximum 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 297 Fundamentals of Jazz Dance
This course introduces the basic principles and vocabulary of
traditional jazz dance as influenced by American social dances
and its relationship to the rise in popularity of jazz music. Both
are unique to America and are rooted in African-American and
European-American culture. Prerequisite: one year of training in
ballet technique or modern dance.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 300 Jazz Dance II
Intermediate to high intermediate work in jazz dance technique,
including choreographic phrases emphasizing stylistic clarity
and more complex rhythmic structure. Variable content; may be
repeated once for credit in a subsequent semester. Preference
given to students registering for the first time. Prerequisite:
Dance 297 or permission of instructor.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 301 Theory and Technique of Modern Dance III
Technique and related concepts for the intermediate-level
student. Greater emphasis on the ability to accurately replicate
or individually interpret choreographic material. Related reading
and video assignments on contemporary dance developments
and attendance at two to three performances required. Variable
content; may be repeated for credit in a subsequent semester.
Prerequisites: Dance 202 and recommendation of the student's
previous WU instructor and permission of the course instructor.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 3021 Theory and Technique of Modern Dance IV
Continuation of Dance 301. Variable content; may be repeated
for credit in a subsequent semester. Prerequisites: Dance 301
and recommendation of the student's previous WU instructor and
permission of the course instructor.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 303 Composition II
A workshop for students with experience in choreography. Study
of approaches to dance composition with related improvisation
problems. Work outside of studio hours expected. Prerequisites:
Dance 293 or 298 and permission of the instructor; concurrent
registration in a technique course required.
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM EN: H
L29 Dance 3033 Music, Sound, and the Body
How do musicians use their bodies when creating music? How do audiences, listeners, and dancers feel music in their bodies and contribute to making sound? This course explores embodied perspectives on making, sensing, and moving to music and sound. Examining theories of the body and the senses as they relate to sound practices, the course draws on scholarship from ethnomusicology, anthropology, sound, dance and performance studies, music cognition and other fields. Case studies include EDM, reggae, and salsa dance; Afro-Brazilian and Buddhist religious practices; and music healing and therapy. Because centering the body means considering lived experience along intersecting axes of difference, course readings and discussions will focus on issues of race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, and (dis)ability. Students will develop their own ethnographic project, and they will be asked to participate in music-movement workshops throughout the course. However, neither previous dance experience nor normative bodily ability are required.
Same as L27 Music 3033
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM, LCD, SC BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 305Z Music Resources for Dance
Analysis of Western (Europe, America), world (Africa, India, Indonesia) and global popular musics. Emphasis on rhythm/form, style/genre, instrumentation and function/context. Basic music theory: notation, time signatures, modes and polyrhythms. Major composers for dance (Lully, Tchaikovsky, Debussy, Ravel, Stravinsky, Cage, etc.). Introduction to percussion techniques for dance accompaniment using hand drums, drumset and hand-held instruments. Introduction to basic studio techniques including microphones, recording and editing equipment, and the use of synthesizer and drum machines. Prerequisites: for dance students at the intermediate or advanced level.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 308 Dance Composition Projects
Choreography juried by dance faculty or supervised choreography on themes assigned by the instructor or formulated by the student and approved by the instructor. Prerequisite: minimum of one semester course work in composition or permission of the instructor.
Credit variable, maximum 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 309 Composition and Technique II
Continuing work in dance composition supported by two technique classes each week at the level appropriate to the individual student. Work on composition assignments outside of class are expected. Prerequisite: Dance 201, Dance 203 or permission of instructor.
Credit 4 units. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 310 Dance Improvisation II
Continuation of Dance 213. Prerequisites: Dance 213 or permission of instructor; concurrent registration in a dance technique course at the 300 level or higher is required. May be repeated once for credit.
Credit 1 unit. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM

L29 Dance 316 Histories of Theatrical and Concert Dance
This course is a survey of dance on the stage. It examines the interrelated histories of ballet, modern, jazz, hip hop, and musical theatre dance, and it discusses how these forms have converged in today's contemporary dance scene. It offers an overview of key artistic movements, both mainstream and avant-garde, while examining selected dances through a combination of formal analysis and a consideration of the social and political contexts that contributed to their meaning. Students will learn how to analyze dance using a variety of sources, such as visual art, photographs, film, and written texts. The classroom format will emphasize discussion. Throughout the course, we will interrogate the categories of "theatrical dance" and "concert dance," seeing how the definitions have changed over time to include or exclude certain types of dancing.
L29 Dance 316E From Romantic to Postmodern Dance
An overview of European and American theatre dance from the early 19th century to the present. Topics include: Isadora Duncan's work as transition and revolution, Orientalism in early modern dance and the Diaghilev Ballets Russes, the "reconstruction" of the dancer's body, gender issues in movement vocabulary, choreographic content and professional working conditions, the emergence of modernism and postmodernism in dance. Seminar format emphasizing discussion of reading and dance videos.
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 319 Stage Lighting
This course will place an emphasis in the aesthetic practice of lighting design through the understanding of technology as it relates to time and space. Early on the student will learn how to properly use and apply designer's tools and then through reading, research and experimentation explore the limitless boundaries of color and texture. This will culminate in a stage design in collaboration with directing or dance class. Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to speak eloquently on design theory and be able to move on to further design study in Advanced Lighting Design: L15 410.
Same as L15 Drama 310
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 321 Classical Ballet: Intermediate I
A course designed for those with a solid foundation in the fundamentals of ballet technique. Related reading and video assignments; attendance at one to two ballet performances. Variable content; may be repeated in a subsequent semester. Prerequisites: permission of the instructor and B+ or better in Dance 221 and 222.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 3221 Classical Ballet: Intermediate II
Special emphasis on the development of adagio, allegro and turn sequences. Variable content; may be repeated in a subsequent semester. Prerequisites: permission of instructor and B+ or better in Dance 221 and 222.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 3224 Intermediate Pointe Technique
This course is designed for dancers with a basic foundation and understanding of pointe technique. The focus of the course is the strengthening of the overall presentation of the pointe technique while additionally developing the performance quality of the dancer. Variable content; may be repeated for credit in a subsequent semester. Corequisite registration in Dance 3221, 416 or 4291, and permission of the instructor.
Credit 1 unit. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 323 Topics in Theater
Explores a variety of special interest topics in theater. Consult the course listings.
Same as L15 Drama 321
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 331 Movement and Meaning: Dance in a Global Context
This course introduces students to various approaches to studying dance in a humanities context. We will explore how people create meaning through dance and how dance, in turn, influences social norms, political institutions, aesthetic ideals and cultural practices. As we compare dance forms across the globe, we will also examine issues of race, gender, sexuality and ethnicity, analyzing how dance literally embodies identity. At the same time, we will discover how contemporary unequal power hierarchies bear on our designation of some dance forms as "Western" and others as "world" or "ethnic." Tensions around assessment of authenticity/creativity, adaptation/appropriation, agency/resistance, and cultural hierarchies such as vernacular/modern, shift with social and political hegemony and with the individual's position as insider or outsider relative to ethnic self-identification and traditional forms of expression. The first part of the course introduces the student to different methodological approaches to studying dance. Throughout the semester, the usual process of the course will be discussion of assigned reading and viewing and analyzing together dance videos shown in class. A few dance workshops will be included (for which no previous dance training is necessary). Required work includes a few short assignments, a take-home midterm exam, a project on a topic of student's choice but related to course focus, a 20-minute presentation of student's project/paper, and a final take-home exam.
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM, LCD Art: CPSC BU: HUM, IS: EN: H

L29 Dance 332 Mind-Body: Integral Practices
The mind and the body are not only connected, they are a fundamental unity, always functioning in a coordinated state. Whether or not we coordinate them well or badly is a choice we make, whether we are conscious of choosing or not. Many so-called "physical" exercises, activities and arts suffer from a lack of adequate skills of sensation, attention, perception and conscious control. Conversely, many so-called "mental" activities lack adequate awareness of the bodily underpinnings of thought. Like a person learning to play a musical instrument, one's ability to coordinate the mental and physical aspects of Self toward one's best personal potential is a skill requiring study of strategies and techniques for good practice in "being well." Such ideas and methods are not "new age," but can be traced back through more than a century in the work of investigators such as F.M. Alexander, progressive educator John Dewey, anthropologist Raymond Dart, and many others. Through direct experience and related readings, this class introduces students to "somatic," or "integral" practices — activities that are inherently more effective at developing the aspects of Self in a coordinated and authentically holistic manner. We then learn to apply our understanding to all kinds of activities, both mental and physical, from chores to exercise, from arts to sports, from hobbies to vocations. Some kind of prior movement training (e.g., athletics, martial arts, dance, etc.) is preferable but not required.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 340 Ballet as Ethnic Dance and Classical Art
This course examines the origins and major developments in ballet theory, technique and production practice, emphasizing their relationship to concepts of ethnicity and classicism. Issues considered include: the influence of classic Greco-Roman theater on the themes, aesthetic ideals and theorization of ballet; analysis of ethnic content not only in thematic material
but in ballet movement vocabulary and training process; the
conscious reformulation in the United States of European
ballet as an equally American art form; the expansion of Euro-
American "classical ballet" in the work of Balanchine and Tudor;
the appropriation of ballet by non-Western countries (such
as China and Japan) and its impact on native dance genres;
typical construction of the ballet dancer's body and movement,
including gender definition, in relationship to a specific ethnic
community context. Seminar format with lectures, discussion and
video materials. Three five- to seven-page papers and final. No
prerequisites.
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM, SD, WI BU: HUM

L29 Dance 342 Critical Thinking in Western Theatrical
Dance: Questioning Meets Creative Thinking and
Collaboration
This is a course designed to introduce the student to the
intersections of creative, collaboration and critical thinking in
Western Theatrical Dance. This course begins with a review of
the literature on creativity, creative collaboration, the process
of creating Western Theatrical Dance, and critical thinking.
The course continues as an overview of these issues while
presenting the intersection and interaction of these elements,
which form the creative collaboration of Western Theatrical
Dance. The students read from both texts and articles on
creativity, creative collaboration, the process of creating Western
Theatrical Dance in the 20th and 21st centuries, and critical
thinking.
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 343 West African Music and Dance in Context
A West African dance course specifically focused on the Ivorian
dance traditions of the Baule, Bete Dan, Lobi, Makinke, and
Senufo peoples. The course addresses the relationship between
music and dance as well as their social and cultural significance.
Study of myths, art, costumes and masks as they relate to
various dances and music is also included. A studio course with
related reading material.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: CPSC, HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 363 The Neuroscience of Movement: You Think,
So You Can Dance?
Although humans have expressed themselves through
movement throughout time, only recently have
neurophysiological investigative techniques allowed us
to glimpse the complex neural processes that allow the
coordination and integration of thought, action, and perception.
This course introduces students to the nascent yet growing
field of dance neuroscience. In part one of this course, we
explore fundamental concepts of motor control, including how
our central nervous system integrates information to allow us to
maintain posture and balance, to coordinate our limbs to external
rhythms, and to move our bodies gracefully and expressively
through time and space. In part two, we explore theoretical
frameworks of motor learning as they pertain to movement.
We delve into the neuromechanisms underlying common tools that
dancers and athletes use to improve motor performance and
how dance training induces neuroplasticity in brain structure and
function. In part three, we explore the neural underpinnings of
aesthetic appreciation while watching dance, including the action
observation network and affective responses to art. Required
work includes short assignments, a final project and presentation
on a topic of your choice related to the course focus, and a
few movement workshops (for which dance training is not
required). Prerequisite: Introductory course in dance, biology, or
neuroscience, or permission from the instructor.
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: NSM Arch: NSM Art: NSM BU: SCI

L29 Dance 372 Advanced American Musical Theatre
This course will focus on developing the acting, singing and
dancing techniques required for performing in musical theater.
The student will develop group pieces and will participate
in scenes that explore character within a musical theater
context. The class will culminate in a workshop performance.
Prerequisite: Drama 221 and permission of instructor, by
audition. Repeatable one time for credit.
Same as L15 Drama 372
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 384 Digital Media for the Stage
Entertainment technology continues to evolve and push
boundaries by taking our imagination and turning it into a version
of reality. Digital Media will attempt to explore some of the tools
used to bridge the two worlds of thought and sight. We will learn
how to think creatively about imagery and how to paint that onto
a stage through a different type of light: digital. Using QLab
and Green Hippo -- two of the most widely used media control
systems in the world -- we will learn how to deliver thought-
provoking illusions of light and texture on the stage.
Same as L15 Drama 384
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM Arch: HUM Art: HUM BU: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 400 Dance Production Projects
Students may receive credit for work on special dance-related
production projects conceived by students and supervised
by faculty. Contracts must be signed by the student, faculty
supervisor, and the coordinator of Dance 400 before work on
the project commences. Students should register for this course
after work is completed. Prerequisite: permission of the dance
faculty.
Credit variable, maximum 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 401 Theory and Technique of Modern Dance V
Emphasis on versatility in movement vocabulary and on more
complex and intensive technical work with discussion of theory
inherent in the studio work. Related reading and projects.
Variable content: may be repeated for credit in a subsequent
semester. Prerequisite: Dance 302 with recommendation of
the student's previous 302 instructor and permission of the 401
instructor. Students with class conflicts may, with the permission
of the instructor, enroll for 2 rather than 3 units.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 4021 Theory and Technique of Modern Dance VI
Continuation of Dance 401 with emphasis on more complex and
intensive technical work. Variable content: may be repeated for
credit in a subsequent semester. Prerequisite: Dance 401 with
recommendation of the student's previous 401 instructor and
permission of the 4021 instructor. Students with class conflicts
may, with the permission of the instructor, enroll for 2 rather than
3 units.
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H
L29 Dance 403 Jazz III
Jazz III is primarily a studio course based on traditional jazz with strong elements of ballet technique, hip-hop, Broadway, and street jazz. The main focus of the class will be on an increased technical proficiency and development as an expressive performer. The studio work will introduce exercises and movement phrases that challenge the dancer's skill level, and encourage a personal exploration that further enhances the dancer's individual expression and style. Studio work will be supported by individual research on the field of jazz dance. Variable content: may be repeated once for credit. Prerequisites: high-intermediate training in jazz dance technique and permission of the instructor. Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 404 Composition IV
The exploration of choreographic problems in small and large ensembles. Prerequisite: completion of Dance 303, senior standing or permission of instructor. Previous or concurrent registration in Dance 401 or 4021 recommended. Credit variable, maximum 3 units.

L29 Dance 4041 Composition III
The exploration of choreographic problems for small and large ensembles. Prerequisite: senior standing or permission of instructor. Previous or concurrent registration in Dance 401 or 4021 recommended. Credit variable, maximum 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM

L29 Dance 4052 Music, Sound, and the Body
This course examines theories of the body, embodiment, and the senses as they relate to music and sound practices. Readings draw on scholarship from ethnomusicology, anthropology and geography of the senses, sound studies, dance studies, performance studies, and music cognition. If ethnomusicology is "the study of people making music," this course explores how people make and experience music and sound with their bodies, through the full range of their senses. We will consider questions surrounding the ways in which musicians, audiences, listeners, and dancers perceive and experience music in their bodies and contribute to the making of sound. By centering the body, we will necessarily consider lived experience along intersecting axes of difference such as race, ethnicity, gender, sexuality, and (dis)ability. Course readings and discussions will therefore focus on the social and political affordances and limitations of body-based practices and their theorization. Case studies will include a broad range of sound-movement practices, from electronic dance music and black social dance to Sufi and Buddhist religious practices, queer taiko drumming, and deaf music-making. Over the course of the semester, students will develop their own project exploring course themes, and they will be asked to participate in music-movement workshops throughout the course. This is an upper-level/graduate-level course, so some knowledge of music and/or dance concepts is assumed, but neither previous music/dance experience nor normative bodily ability are required. Same as L27 Music 4052 Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM, LCD, SC EN: H

L29 Dance 407 Topics in Dance Techniques
Explores a variety of special interest topics in dance techniques. Consult the course listings for the semester topic.

L29 Dance 413 Modern Dance and the African American Legacy II
This course focuses on works by 2-3 renowned African-American choreographers. The selected choreographers are chosen for their contributions to the field of American modern dance based primarily on their explorations regarding the process and dynamics of building community — the sense of community as experienced through the lens of African-American cultural values and aesthetics as it pertains to the creative process. Therefore, the course focuses on viewing the body as a site for the exchange of ideas concerning humanity. Students investigate these choreographers through learning excerpts of their choreography and choreographing personal responses, as well as through related readings, videos and independent research. Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM, SC, SD Arch: HUM Art: CPSC, HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 414 Advanced Stage Lighting
An advanced-level continuation of Drama 310. Emphasis is placed on design aesthetics and their application in a laboratory setting. Students explore color theory, lightboard programming and design analyses as well as execute a variety of finished projects. These projects cover a wide range of production styles and performance venues. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Same as L15 Drama 410 Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 415 High Intermediate Ballet I
A course designed as preparation for the advanced level. Emphasis on vocabulary review and individual technique assessment, including placement, movement quality and musicality. Related readings and video assignments; attendance at and critical analysis of one to two ballet performances. Variable content; may be repeated in a subsequent semester. Prerequisites: B+ or better in Dance 221, 222, 321, 322 and/or permission of instructor. Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 416 High Intermediate Ballet II
A course designed for the high intermediate dancer in preparation for Dance 4281/428. Emphasis on placement, movement quality and musicality. Related readings and projects supplement the classical vocabulary. Prerequisites: B+ or better in Dance 221, 222, 321, 322 and/or permission of instructor. Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 418 Variations in the Ballet
Introduces classical choreography within various ballets. Prerequisites: Dance 321 or Dance 4281 with some pointe training, and permission of instructor. Credit 1 unit. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 423 Pointe Technique
Designed for dancers with a basic foundation in pointe work. Variable content: may be repeated for credit in a subsequent semester. Prerequisites: concurrent registration in Dance 321 or 4281 and B+ or better in Dance 221, 222, 321, 322 and/or permission of instructor. Credit 1 unit. A&S IQ: HUM
L29 Dance 424 Pointe Technique  
Designed for dancers with a basic foundation in pointe work. Concurrent registration in Dance 322 or 4291 and permission of instructor. Repeatable one time for credit in subsequent semester.  
Credit 1 unit. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 426 Performing the Political in American Dance  
This course is an exploration of the politics of performance and the performance of politics through the lens of American dance in the 20th and 21st centuries. Through readings, screenings and discussion, we will examine the ways in which American dance developed against and alongside political movements in the United States, particularly ones concerning nationalism, race, gender and human rights. We will also investigate how the lens of dance and choreography offers an expansive means to conceptualize political questions of citizenship and social protest, broadening our understanding of embodied performance. Guided by several key philosophical texts, our class will focus on concepts necessary to examining the convergence of performance and politics (such as representation, ritual, spectacle, body, mimesis, propaganda, etc.) while also paying special attention to the politics of funding and censorship that has governed the creation and presentation of dance in the United States. No dance experience is necessary.  
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM, SC, SD, WI Art: CPSC BU: BA EN: H

L29 Dance 4281 Classical Ballet III  
Designed for dancers with a solid foundation in beginning and intermediate ballet technique. Related reading, research paper/discussion, video assignments: attendance at one to two ballet performances. Variable content; may be repeated for credit in a subsequent semester. Prerequisites: permission of instructor and B+ or better in Dance 3221 and Dance 415 or Dance 416.  
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 4291 Classical Ballet IV  
A course designed for dancers with a solid foundation in beginning and intermediate ballet technique. Variable content; may be repeated for credit in a subsequent semester. Prerequisite: permission of instructor, and B+ or better in 3221 or 415 or 416.  
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 430 Dance Pedagogy  
In this course students will learn methods of instruction, assessment and how to develop dance curriculum for K-12. Students will design classes based on national standards, grade-level expectations and sound dance principles. In the studio they will teach each other sample lessons that they have developed. This class will cover dance competencies required by DESE for beginning teachers of dance. We will pay attention to current trends in arts education. Our discussion will include the diversity of student populations and how to prepare and respond. We will discuss the role of the arts in education and the dance teacher’s role as classroom instructor, arts integration instructor, diplomat and arts advocate. Credit may be applied toward the education major and potentially toward state certification. Prerequisite: minimum of two semesters of upper-level course work in dance technique.  
Credit 2 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 433 Performing Gender and Sexuality in America  
This course examines how the performance of gender and sexuality has shaped the social, cultural, and political history of the United States from the early 19th century to the present. Although performance happens in everyday life, we will primarily focus on how the stage has been a potent space for debating issues related to gender and sexuality. This course will put forth the argument that the stage has historically not only reflected broader social concerns but also actively helped to shape those social dynamics. After an introduction to foundational ideas, we will start the semester with minstrelsy, which signals that the performance of gender and sexuality in America is deeply intertwined with race, class, and national belonging. Reading and viewing assignments bring together feminist theory, queer theory, American social history, and performance texts to build robust seminar discussions.  
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM, SC, SD Arch: HUM Art: CPSC, HUM BU: BA, HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 457 Dance Repertory  
Concert dance performance practicum. Under the direction of faculty, guest or graduate student choreographers, students rehearse and prepare for performance in a repertory dance concert or the MFA thesis production. Enrollment by audition. Prerequisite: permission of the faculty director of an appropriate production. Concurrent registration in a technique class is required. May be repeated once for credit.  
Credit variable, maximum 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 458 Dance Repertory  
Concert dance performance practicum. Under the direction of faculty, guest or graduate student choreographers, students rehearse and prepare for performance in a repertory dance concert or the MFA thesis production. Enrollment by audition. Prerequisite: permission of the faculty director of an appropriate production. Concurrent registration in a technique class is required. May be repeated once for credit.  
Credit variable, maximum 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 479 Fundamentals of Sound Design  
Encompassing both creative and technical aspects of sound in the performing arts, the course gives theoretical knowledge of, and practical experience in the following areas: fundamental rules of physics and electronics related to sound, use of standard digital recording studio equipment, “training” of the ear and basic techniques of sound montage. Students are expected to participate in a variety of conceptual and research oriented exercises as well as complete several lab projects. Sound-related work on Performing Arts Department productions may be required. Prerequisite: Drama 212 and permission of instructor. Same as L15 Drama 479  
Credit 3 units. A&S IQ: HUM EN: H

L29 Dance 493 Senior Project  
Specialized project in a selected area in dance. The student will work individually under the supervision of a faculty member. Submission of student proposal prior to registration. Final self-evaluation essay required. Prerequisite: permission of the coordinator of the Dance Division.  
Credit variable, maximum 3 units.
L29 Dance 499 Study for Honors
An honors thesis or performance and thesis project designed by the student, and supervised and assessed by a faculty committee. Prerequisites: senior standing, grade point of 3.65, and 3.65 in dance classes, and permission of the coordinator of the dance division.
Credit variable, maximum 6 units.

L29 Dance 4990 Independent Work
Prerequisite: senior standing and permission of the director of undergraduate dance studies.
Credit variable, maximum 10 units.