

7900 DANCE

Bachelor of Arts Degree

(Foreign Language Requirement – Note e.)

NOTE TO STUDENT: A student is expected to be familiar with the degree requirements which can be found in the Undergraduate Bulletin at www.uakron.edu/academics/docs/ugrad.pdf. The following information has official approval of the Dance Program but is intended only as a guide. Official degree requirements are established at the time of admission to the degree-granting college. **A Dance audition is required prior to the first semester of study to determine placement into Dance technique classes. Dance students must see the Dance curriculum adviser prior to registering for classes each semester.**

FIRST YEAR

Fall Semester

		<u>Semester Credit Hours</u>	<u>Prerequisites</u>
7900/7920	Ballet Technique	2-4	Audition
7900/219	Modern III	2	Audition
7900:115	Dance as an Art Form (Can be taken Fall or Spring)	2	
7910:1__	***Dance Organization (Note a.)	1	Audition
7900:103	Orientation for Dance	0	
3300:111	English Composition I	4	Appropriate Placement by Adviser
3750:100	Introduction to Psychology (Note b.)	3	
7915	Dance Somatics/World Dance	<u>1-2</u>	See Dance adviser
		15-18	

Spring Semester

7900/7920	Ballet Technique	2-4	Placement by Faculty
7900/220	Modern IV	2	Placement by Faculty
7915:	Dance Somatics/World Dance	1-2	See Dance adviser
7910:1	***Dance Organization	1	Audition
7910:201	Freshman Jury & Interview	0	
3300:112	English Composition II	3	3300:111
3450/3470	**Math requirement (Note g.)	3	Appropriate Placement by Adviser
	Social Science Requirement (Note b.)	3-4	
7400:133	Nutrition Fundamentals (Note c.)	<u>3</u>	
		18-22	

SECOND YEAR

Fall Semester

7900/7920	Ballet Technique	2-4	Placement by Faculty
7900/228	Modern V	2-3	Placement by Faculty
7920:316	*Choreography I	2	Placement by Faculty
3100:200/201	Human Anatomy & Physiology (Lect./Lab) (Note f.)	4	
7600:105	Introduction to Public Speaking -OR-		
7600:106	Effective Oral Communication	3	
7920:301	Learning Theory For Dance	<u>2</u>	See Dance adviser
		15-18	

Spring Semester

7900/7920	Ballet Technique	2-4	Placement by Faculty
7900/229	Modern VI	2-3	Placement by Faculty
7900/7920	Tap Technique	2	Audition
7920:317	*Choreography II	2	Placement by Faculty
7920:433	Dance History: 20 th Century	2	7900:115
3400:210	Humanities in Western Tradition I (Lect/Disc) (Note d.)	4	
	General Education: Social Science	3-4	
7920:362	Instructional Strategies for Dance	<u>2</u>	
		19-23	

*Permission only – based on Modern technique level. (Modern VI Minimum)

**It is strongly advised that any student pursuing a degree in Dance complete the general education requirement prior to transferring to the College of Fine and Applied Arts.

***Participation in Dance Organization is by audition and optional for each semester of study and will be determined the first week of the semester.

POLICY ALERT: 1) By the end of your first 48 credit hours attempted, you must have completed your General Education English, Math, and Communications (Speech) requirements; 2) By the end of your first 48 credit hours attempted, you must have declared a major and transferred to (been accepted by) a degree granting college at The University of Akron.

The University of Akron Dance Program.

Hours are 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; (330) 972-7948

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NOTES:

BA Dance

- A) A student receives fee remission for 7910:1__, Dance Organizations (performance courses).
- B) Six credits of Social Science courses are required. Introduction to Psychology, 3750:100, is required and is a prerequisite for 7920:361, Learning Theory for Dance. See the General Education Guide¹ for remaining options.
- C) Dance majors **may not** use 7900: courses to fulfill the Physical Education/Wellness requirement. **The School of Dance requires 7400:133, Nutrition Fundamentals (3 credits) to complete the Physical Education/Wellness requirement, and to serve as a prerequisite for 7920:116, Physical Analysis for Dance.**
- D) To complete the Humanities and Western Tradition general education requirement, students must complete 3400:210, Humanities and the Western Tradition I and six additional credits. 3600:101, Introduction to Philosophy, is required and is a prerequisite for 7920:445, Dance Philosophy & Criticism. See the General Education Guide¹ for remaining option but remember that dance majors **may not** use Viewing Dance, 7900:200, as an option in the Fine Arts set.
- E) **LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT - IMPORTANT:** Two years of a foreign language **or** sign language are required. The following sign language courses will fulfill the language requirement: 7700:101, American Sign Language I; 7700:102, American Sign Language II; 7700:201, American Sign Language III; 7700:202, American Sign Language IV (all sequential and 3 credits each); and 7700:222, Survey of Deaf Culture in America (no prerequisite, 2 credits). A student should discuss this requirement with an academic adviser. Placement testing is available in French, German, Italian, Latin and Spanish for those with previous experience. For scheduling purposes students should carefully consider when to begin their foreign language sequence. Keep in mind that foreign language semesters are sequential and should follow one after the other until the requirement is completed.
- F) Eight credits of Natural Science are required. 3100:200/201, Human Anatomy & Physiology I/Lab are required and is a prerequisite for 7920:116, Physical Analysis I. See the General Education Guide¹ for remaining options.
- G) A variety of Math (3450) or Statistics (3470) options will fulfill this requirement. See your Academic Adviser to discuss options.

There are many different areas in which a student may receive credit for 7910:1__, Dance Organizations. A student must earn a minimum of 4 credits towards completion of the BA degree. No more than 12 hours of Dance Organization will count toward the minimum of 128 hours required for graduation. Opportunities to enroll in 7910:1__, Dance Organizations are offered each semester by **audition only**.

Placement in the Dance Program is by audition only. Upon entering the program, the student is placed at the level of technique the faculty feels will ensure progress. To be admitted to the BA Program in Dance in the School of Dance Theatre and Arts Administration; students must complete one year of study as a probationary dance major, demonstrate acceptable work habits, pass the Freshman Jury and Interview and maintain a 2.785 GPA in all dance classes.

All students are required to be enrolled in a dance technique class each semester until they satisfy their technique requirements and must complete two semesters of Ballet VI with a minimum grade of a “B”.

Students interested in K-12 licensure should speak with a School of Dance adviser.

TRANSFER:

A student should apply for transfer from University College to the College of Fine and Applied Arts upon completion of 30 academic credits and an overall GPA of 2.3. This should be done through an appointment with his/her adviser in the Academic Advisement Center, Simmons Hall 205, (330) 972-7430, or Summit College, Polsky 301, (330) 972-7220, depending upon the college in which you reside.

Dance related links:

- <http://www.nycballet.com> (New York City Ballet)
- <http://www.abt.org/> (American Ballet Theatre)
- <http://www.adta.org/> (American Dance Therapy Association)
- <http://www.danceusa.org>
- <http://www.twu.edu/as/pa/dance/Dancelinks.htm> (Good dance links)
- <http://www.pbs.org>
- <http://www.arts-accredit.org> (N.A.S.D. – National Association of Schools of Dance)
- <http://www.dancemagazine.com> (Dance Magazine)
- <http://www.ndeo.org> (National Dance Education Organization)
- <http://www.ohiodance.org> (Ohio Dance)

¹The General Education Guide can be found on line at <http://www.uakron.edu/colleges/univcoll/docs/GEN-EDUC.pdf>

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