DANCE, B.A.

Degree Requirements (120 hours)

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**Founding Documents Requirement**

All undergraduate students must take a 3-credit course or its equivalent with a passing grade in the subject areas of History, Political Science, or African American Studies that covers the founding documents including the United State Constitution, the Declaration of Independence, or the Emancipation Proclamation and one or more documents that are foundational to the African American Freedom struggle, and a minimum of five essays from the Federalist papers. This course may count as a requirement in any part of the program of study including the Carolina Core, the major, minor or cognate, or as a general elective. Courses that meet this requirement are listed here (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/founding-document-courses/).

**1. Carolina Core Requirements (32-44 hours)**

**CMW – Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written (6 hours)**

must be passed with a grade of C or higher

* any CC-CMW courses (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**ARP – Analytical Reasoning and Problem Solving (6-8 hours)**

* any CC-ARP courses (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**SCI – Scientific Literacy (8 hours)**

* Two 4-credit hour CC-SCI courses (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**GFL – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language (0-6 hours)**

Demonstration of proficiency in one foreign language equivalent to the minimal passing grade on the exit examination in the 122 course is required. Students can demonstrate this proficiency by successfully completing Phase II of the Proficiency Test or by successfully completing the 122 course, including the exit exam administered as part of that course.

* CC-GFL courses (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**GHS – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Historical Thinking (3 hours)**

* any CC-GHS course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**GSS – Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Social Sciences (3 hours)**

* any CC-GSS course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**AIU – Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding (3 hours)**

* any CC-AIU course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**CMS – Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component 1 (0-3 hours)**

* any overlay or stand-alone CC-CMS course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**INF – Information Literacy 1 (0-3 hours)**

* any overlay or stand-alone CC-INF course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

**VSR – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility 1 (0-3 hours)**

* any overlay or stand-alone CC-VSR course (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/carolina-core-courses/)

1 Carolina Core Stand Alone or Overlay Eligible Requirements — Overlay-approved courses offer students the option of meeting two Carolina Core components in a single course. A maximum of two overlays is allowed. The total Carolina Core credit hours must add up to a minimum of 31 hours. Some programs may have a higher number of minimum Carolina Core hours due to specified requirements.

**2. College Requirements (15-18 hours)**

**Foreign Language (0-3 hours)**

* only if needed to meet 122-level proficiency

**History (3 hours)**

The College of Arts and Sciences requires one additional GHS course beyond the Carolina Core GHS requirement.

* If the Carolina Core GHS requirement is fulfilled by a U.S. history course, the College of Arts and Sciences history requirement must be fulfilled by a non-U.S. history course.

* If the Carolina Core GHS requirement is fulfilled by a non-U.S. history course, the College of Arts and Sciences history requirement must be fulfilled by a U.S. history course.

Please select the College of Arts and Sciences history requirement from the approved list of U.S. and non-U.S. history courses (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/history-requirement/).
A list of minor programs of study can be found at Programs A-Z (https://academicbulletins.sc.edu/undergraduate/programs-az/).

**4. Major Requirements (32-70 hours)**

A minimum grade of C is required in all major courses. (C+ or higher for Dance Education K-12 Certification)

Choose one of the following concentrations:

### Performance and Choreography (32 hours)

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<td>DANC 490</td>
<td>Senior Capstone Dance Project</td>
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#### Techniques

Select either Ballet or Contemporary Dance:

- **Ballet:**
  - Eight ballet techniques
  - Four contemporary techniques

- **Contemporary:**
  - Six contemporary techniques
  - Four ballet techniques
  - Two techniques of other forms of dance

#### Dance Company

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**Total Credit Hours**: 32-41

Note: Students must meet both the number of credits and distribution of technique requirements listed. Some techniques courses are variable credit. To graduate with a major in dance, students must successfully complete DANC 302A and DANC 312A. Students may take up to 24 hours of techniques courses toward the major.

### Dance Education K-12 Certification (70 hours)

Dance majors with an emphasis in Dance Education K-12 teacher certification must meet USC and South Carolina Department of Education requirements in order to be recommended for certification (includes passing state-required examinations). An application for certification is required. Contact the College of Education, Office of Student Affairs, 803-777-6732.

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The following courses must be taken 4 times each:

- DANC 202A  Ballet Technique II  4
- DANC 302A  Ballet Technique III  4
- DANC 402A  Ballet Technique IV  4

The following courses must be taken 4 times each:

- DANC 212A  Contemporary Dance Technique II  4
- DANC 312A  Contemporary Dance Technique III  4
- DANC 412A  Contemporary Dance Technique IV  4

Select two hours of the following world dance forms courses:

- DANC 111A  World Dance I  3
  or DANC 113A  World Dance II  3
- DANC 307  West African Dance I  3
  or DANC 407  West African Dance II  3
- DANC 380  Movement and Dance for Musical Theatre  3

Dance Company

- DANC 177  Dance Company I  3

Professional Education

- DANC 270  Introduction to Dance Education  2
- DANC 370  Creative Dance  3
- DANC 470  Dance Pedagogy for Middle and High School  4
- DANC 471  Internship Seminar in Dance Education  1
- DANC 478  Integrated Approaches in Dance Education  5
- DANC 479  Teaching Internship in Dance Education  12

Education Courses

- EDFI 300  Schools in Communities  3
- EDPY 401  Learners and the Diversity of Learning  3
- PEDU 515  Physical Education for Inclusion  3
  or EDEX 523  Introduction to Exceptional Children  3
- EDRD 500  Content Area Literacy PK-12  3

Notes:

- Students must successfully complete DANC 302A and DANC 312A with a C+ or better.
- Ballet and contemporary technique courses are variable credit.
- Students must meet both the number of credits and distribution of technique requirements listed above.

Professional Education Program Requirements

The dance major with an emphasis in dance education supports prospective teachers in developing both in-depth content knowledge and appropriate knowledge, skills, and dispositions of teaching required in today’s classrooms.

Extensive clinical experiences in a variety of appropriate K-12 classrooms and schools are a central component of the program.

Application and admission to the Professional Program in Education (typically at 60 credit hours) and admission to Internship are required for all majors seeking teacher certification. All teacher education candidates must adhere to all education policies and procedures related to clinical experiences. Information on education applications, policies, and procedures is available from the College of Education, Advising and Student Services office at 803-777-6732.

Specific requirements in dance education for Admission to Internship II/Student Teaching include the following:

1. Admission to the Professional Program.
2. Maintenance of minimum collegiate summary grade point average as required for admission to the Professional Program.
3. Successful Completion of DANC 270, DANC 370, DANC 470, and DANC 478; all courses within the dance major and all performance practicum requirements.
4. A grade of C+ or better in all dance, dance education and education courses.
5. Successful completion of 100 practicum hours completed during the dance education coursework.
6. Satisfactory performance in the area of teacher education dispositions.
7. SLED clearance through fingerprinting and background check requirements.
8. Successful completion of the application for student teaching.