

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS • Dance Major

Degree Guideline

This degree guideline provides only a summary of the requirements for the degree and major indicated above. For complete information about degree requirements, consult *The Undergraduate Catalog* and the pertinent *General Information* catalog. For questions, please contact the Office of the Dean, Student Affairs in DFA 1.103 (512-471-5011).

The option in dance education is a preprofessional academic track recommended for students seeking teacher certification in dance. The Texas state certification standards require specific coursework and examinations not stipulated in this degree program. A student pursuing teacher certification must carefully select courses to meet the certification standards and must fulfill all of the additional requirements for admission to candidacy and certification (e.g. course prerequisites, grade-point average requirements, examinations). Students seeking teacher certification in dance must consult the teacher certification officer, College of Education, SZB 216 (512-471-3223) for information about the current certification standards and requirements for admission to candidacy.

See reverse side for "Notes" and additional requirements.

Area/Requirement	Course	Hrs
Core Curriculum ¹		
First-year Signature Course ¹	<i>UGS 302 or 303</i>	3
English Composition (Communication)	<i>RHE 306</i>	3
	<i>Writing Course</i>	3
Humanities	<i>E 316L/M/N/P</i>	3
American & Texas Government	<i>GOV 310L</i>	3
	<i>GOV 312L</i>	3
American History	<i>6 hours</i>	6
Social & Behavioral Sciences	<i>3 hours</i>	3
Mathematics	<i>3 hours</i>	3
Natural Science & Technology	<i>9 hours</i>	9
Visual & Performing Arts	<i>3 hours</i>	3

Flags ²		
Writing ³	<i>2 courses</i>	
Quantitative Reasoning	<i>1 course</i>	
Global Cultures	<i>1 course</i>	
Cultural Diversity	<i>1 course</i>	
Independent Inquiry	<i>1 course</i>	
Ethics	<i>1 course</i>	

Entrance Deficiencies ⁴	
Foreign Language, Language Arts, Social Science, Natural Science, Math	

Area/Requirements	Course	Hrs
Major Requirements ⁵		
Theatre and Dance Core	<i>T D 311C⁶</i>	3
	<i>T D 312M</i>	3
	<i>T D 314P</i>	3
	<i>T D 317M</i>	3
	<i>T D 317N</i>	3
Contemporary Technique ⁷	<i>T D 312C (2 semesters)</i>	6
	<i>T D 312D or 352T</i>	3
Ballet Technique ⁷	<i>T D 312F (2 semesters)</i>	6
	<i>T D 312G or 352T</i>	3
Somatic Practice	<i>T D 212</i>	2
	<i>T D 352</i>	3
Creative Practice	<i>T D 312N</i>	3
	<i>T D 332M</i>	3
Pedagogical Practice	<i>T D 332R</i>	3
Performance Practice	<i>T D 212P</i>	2
	<i>T D 222P</i>	2
Option 1: Dance	<i>27 hours</i>	27
Option 2: Dance Education ⁸	<i>27-28 hours</i>	27-28

Electives ⁹

Minimum Hours Required	120-121
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Notes

- 1 Consult the School of Undergraduate Studies for complete lists of courses that may be used fulfill the core curriculum requirements.
- 2 Courses used to fulfill flag requirements may fulfill other degree requirements as well; therefore, students should select courses carefully. If flag requirements are not satisfied within the minimum number of semester hours required for the degree and major, the student will need to complete additional coursework to fulfill these flag requirements.
- 3 Courses used to fulfill a writing flag requirement may also be used to fulfill other degree requirements, except RHE 306.
- 4 Courses used to fulfill entrance deficiencies do not count toward the degree; all entrance deficiencies must be removed by appropriate courses in order to graduate.
- 5 To continue in this degree program, the student must pass an annual evaluation by the dance faculty. Students whose progress is judged unsatisfactory by the dance faculty will be dismissed from the program.
- 6 When taken in residence, this course may also fulfill the writing course requirement listed as part of the six-hour communication area of the core curriculum.
- 7 To fulfill the degree requirements in dance technique (contemporary and ballet), the student must achieve a suitable level of proficiency and obtain the approval of the dance faculty. At the discretion of the dance faculty, a student may be required to repeat specific dance technique courses in addition to those required for the degree. The student should be registered for dance technique each long-session semester in residence.
- 8 For students choosing the option in Dance Education, approved electives include courses counted toward the professional development requirements and other current state teaching certification requirements.
- 9 Students who complete all stated degree requirements without earning the 120-121 semester hours required for the B.F.A: Dance Major must complete elective coursework until 120-121 hours are earned.

General Degree Requirements

Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirements: To graduate, students must have a GPA of at least 2.00 based on all courses undertaken at the university.

Flag Requirements: Extra courses may be necessary if all flag requirements are not met through regular degree requirements, so courses should be chosen carefully. The following flags are required of all students in the College of Fine Arts: Quantitative Reasoning, Global Cultures, Cultural Diversity, Independent Inquiry, Ethics, and Writing (2 courses). Courses used to fulfill flag requirements may also be used to fulfill degree requirements. For more information, see the *2020-2022 Undergraduate Catalog*.

Residency Requirements: Students must fulfill all residency requirements in order to graduate. Refer to chapter 1 in the *2020-2022 Undergraduate Catalog* for university residency requirements; refer to the College of Fine Arts' chapter for college residency requirements.

- Students must complete at least 60 semester hours of coursework counted toward the degree in residence.
- At least 6 semester hours of upper-division coursework in the major must be completed in residence.
- The last 18 hours of coursework in the major must be taken in residence.

Completing Degree Requirements: A minimum of 120-121 hours and all degree requirements stated in the *2020-2022 Undergraduate Catalog* must be completed in order to earn the degree.

Teacher Certification – for Option in Dance Education

Students seeking teacher certification must adhere to current state requirements, even if they differ from the degree requirements described in this catalog. Please contact the College of Education for current state certification requirements. Because it serves various needs, the degree program does not specify all of the requirements for teacher certification. The Texas state certification standards require specific coursework and examinations not stipulated in this degree program. A student pursuing teacher certification must carefully select courses to meet the certification standards and must fulfill all of the additional requirements for admission to candidacy and certification (e.g. course prerequisites, grade-point average requirements, examinations). ***Students intending to pursue teacher certification in dance must consult the teacher certification officer, College of Education SZB 216 (512-471-3223) and the advisor in the Department of Theatre and Dance for information about the current certification standards and requirements for admission to candidacy.***