DANCE (DAN) - COURSES

Spring 2016

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DAN 101: Movement & Somatic Learning
Introduction to the human body and its potential for creative experiences focused on the existential whole. Theory and practice are woven together throughout the course. Content includes sensory attunement, augmented rest, somaesthetics, intrinsic motivation, creativity, visualization of motor imagery, and reprogramming of neuromuscular patterns.

SBC: ARTS
3 credits

DAN 102: Intro to World Dance Cultures
An introduction to the properties and elements of dance in order to understand and appreciate it in a variety of contexts. Dance is considered as art, recreation, social interaction, and entertainment through investigation of societal attitudes, cultural norms, and creative styles of individuals. Formerly offered as THR 102. Not for credit in addition to THR 102.

DEC: D
SBC: ARTS, GLO
3 credits

DAN 164: Tap Technique and History
The fundamentals, technique, and history of tap dance. Basic technique, time step, and combinations are covered. The historical component traces the development of tap from its roots in the music of jazz to present-day expressions. Various traditional styles, individual artists, and current trends are discussed. Formerly offered as THR 164. Not for credit in addition to THR 164.

DEC: D
SBC: ARTS
3 credits

DAN 165: Contemporary Dance I
The fundamentals, technique, and history of modern dance. Basic principles of alignment, centering, placement, and modern technique are introduced. The historical component includes various styles within the field of modern dance, individual artists who have contributed to the field, and the place of modern dance in society and culture at large. Formerly offered as THR 165. Not for credit in addition to THR 165. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

DEC: D
SBC: ARTS, GLO
3 credits

DAN 166: Ballet Technique I
The fundamentals, technique, and history of ballet. The course covers the development of body alignment through stretching and strengthening exercises; simple barre exercises, center floor combinations, and movement phrases to music. The historical component includes the development of ballet from the 15th century to the present day. Various styles, companies, techniques, and individual artists are discussed. Formerly offered as THR 166. Not for credit in addition to THR 166. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

DEC: D
SBC: ARTS
3 credits

DAN 167: Jazz Dance Technique I
The fundamentals, technique, and history of jazz dance. Basic principles of alignment, centering, placement, and jazz technique are covered. The historical component includes various styles within the field of jazz dance, individual artists who have contributed to the field, and the place of jazz dance in society and culture at large. Formerly offered as THR 167. Not for credit in addition to THR 167. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

DEC: D
SBC: ARTS
3 credits

DAN 168: World Dance I
An introduction to dance traditions around the globe. Cultural values, religious beliefs, and social systems are investigated for their influence on the dance. Formerly offered as THR 168. Not for credit in addition to THR 168. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

DEC: D
SBC: ARTS, GLO
3 credits

DAN 203: Laban Movement Analysis
Investigates the fundamentals of movement through theories, principles and techniques represented in the written and embodied work of Laban, Bartenieff, Dell, and Hackney. Approaches from Body Mind Centering, Feldenkrais, Human Development, and Somatic Therapy/Education will also be incorporated. Students will study the interrelated processes of awareness, biological function and interaction with the environment through interplay of theory and practice. The goal is to perceive, describe and make meaning of human movement in order to decode and develop physical language.

Prerequisite: DAN 101, DAN 165, DAN 166, DAN 167 or DAN 168
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

DAN 264: Movement Awareness and Analysis
A course covering the fundamentals of movement, linking theory and techniques from the disciplines of dance and theatre. Using anatomical principles to understand effective use of the skeletal and muscular systems, students are guided, through an interplay of theory and practical work, toward efficient posture and movement habits and test the presence, action, and performance necessary for effective communication and the development of a physical language.

DEC: D
SBC: ARTS
3 credits

DAN 353: Special Topics in Dance Performance
A concentration in one aspect of dance. May be repeated as the topic changes.

Prerequisite: One of the following: DAN 165, DAN 166, DAN 167, DAN 168 or permission of the instructor
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

DAN 365: Contemporary Dance II
Further development of modern dance training, devoted to improvement of style, technique, and physical and mental focus. Formerly offered as THR 365. Not for credit in addition to THR 365. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

Prerequisite: One of the following: DAN 165, DAN 166, DAN 167, DAN 168
SBC: HFA+
3 credits

DAN 366: Ballet Technique II
Further development of ballet training, devoted to improving style, technique, physical and mental focus. Formerly offered as THR 366. Not for credit in addition to THR 366. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.
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**Prerequisite: One of the following: DAN 165, DAN 166, DAN 167, DAN 168**

**SBC: HFA+**

**3 credits**

**DAN 367: Jazz Dance Technique II**

Further development of jazz dance training, devoted to improvement of style, technique, and physical and mental focus. Formerly offered as THR 367. Not for credit in addition to THR 367.

**Prerequisite: One of the following: DAN 165, DAN 166, DAN 167, DAN 168**

**SBC: HFA+**

**3 credits**

**DAN 368: Dance Improvisation**

The practice of dance and movement investigation through discipline, spontaneity, and awareness. Skills in improvisation will be developed through creative projects and experiments in dance. Formerly offered as THR 368. Not for credit in addition to THR 368. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

**Prerequisite: One of the following: DAN 165, DAN 166, DAN 167, DAN 168, DAN 264**

**SBC: HFA+**

**3 credits**

**DAN 369: World Dance II**

The fundamentals, technique, and history of a specific non-Western dance style. Lectures cover the origins of the dance form, the people who perform the dance, and the place of the dance in society and culture. Studio training includes the physicality of the dance. May be repeated as the topic changes. Formerly offered as THR 369. Not for credit in addition to THR 369.

**Prerequisite: One of the following: DAN 165, DAN 166, DAN 167, DAN 168 or permission of the instructor**

**DEC: J**

**SBC: GLO, HFA+**

**3 credits**

**DAN 400: Performance Dance Ensemble**

Concentrated development of dance technique and performance skills through rehearsal and presentation of choreography. May be repeated once. Formerly offered as THR 400. Not for credit in addition to THR 400.

**Prerequisites: Audition; permission of instructor**

**SBC: EXP+, HFA+**

**3 credits**

**DAN 444: Experiential Learning**

This course is designed for students who engage in a substantial, structured experiential learning activity in conjunction with another class. Experiential learning occurs when knowledge acquired through formal learning and past experience are applied to a "real-world" setting or problem to create new knowledge through a process of reflection, critical analysis, feedback and synthesis. Beyond-the-classroom experiences that support experiential learning may include: service learning, mentored research, field work, or an internship.

**Prerequisite: WRT 102 or equivalent; permission of the instructor and approval of the EXP+ contract (http://sb.cc.stonybrook.edu/bulletin/current/policiesandregulations/degree_requirements/EXPplus.php)**

**SBC: EXP+**

**S/U grading**

**DAN 456: Contemporary Dance Theatre and Repertory**

Investigates hybrid genres resulting from weaving text, body, movement, dance, music, and design through the notion of character, narrative, abstraction and story in performance. Through dance theatre repertory training the goal is to make the performer more complete, fully expressive and open to creative possibilities and choices in live performance. The examination of dance theatre performance springs from an interconnected view of performance. Students will focus on performance skills and techniques through the creation and performance of repertory. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

**Prerequisite: Audition; Permission of Instructor**

**SBC: HFA+**

**3 credits**

**DAN 457: Jazz Dance Technique III**

Advanced study of jazz techniques, combining dance training, compositional skills, and performance techniques. Formerly offered as THR 457. Not for credit in addition to THR 457. This course has an associated fee. Please see www.stonybrook.edu/coursefees for more information.

**Prerequisite: Audition; Permission of Instructor**

**SBC: HFA+**

**3 credits**

**DAN 458: Choreography**

Training in the craft of choreography, the creation of dance, using applied dance techniques, improvisational tools, perceptual skills, and investigations. Students create studies and original dance compositions and critique the various developmental stages in order to modify and expand their creations. The theory presented contains basic aesthetic concepts that contribute to the structure and form of dance. Formerly offered as THR 458.

**Prerequisite: DAN 465 or 467 (or the former THR 465 or 467)**

**3 credits**

**DAN 475: Undergraduate Teaching Practicum I**

Work with a faculty member as an assistant in one of the faculty member's regularly scheduled classes. The student is required to attend all the classes, do all the regularly assigned work, and meet with the faculty member at regularly scheduled times to discuss the intellectual and pedagogical matters relating to the course. Not for major credit. Not for credit in addition to THR 475.

**Prerequisites: Dance minor; U3 or U4 standing; permission of instructor and department**

**SBC: EXP+, HFA+**

**3 credits, S/U grading**

**DAN 476: Undergraduate Teaching Practicum II**

Work with a faculty member as an assistant in one of the faculty member's regularly scheduled classes. Students assume greater responsibility in such areas as leading discussions and analyzing results of tests that have already been graded. The course in which the student is permitted to work as a teaching assistant must be different from the course in which he or she previously served. Not for major credit. Not for credit in addition to THR 476.

**Prerequisites: DAN 475; permission of instructor and department**

**SBC: EXP+**

**3 credits, S/U grading**

**DAN 487: Independent Research**

Designing and developing a research project selected by the student in consultation with a faculty member. May be repeated.

**Prerequisite: Permission of department**

**0-6 credits**
DAN 488: Internship

Participation in a professional organization that creates and presents public performances, creates and presents, to the public, works in the media arts, or concerns itself with the management or funding of arts organizations. Students are required to submit written progress reports to their department sponsors and a final written report to the department faculty. Supplementary reading may be assigned. May be repeated up to a limit of 12 credits. Not for credit in addition to THR 488.

Prerequisite: Permission of department

SBC: EXP+

0-6 credits, S/U grading