

Hagerstown Community College
OFFICIAL COURSE SYLLABUS DOCUMENT
COURSE: DNC 201/ Dance History
3 Credits

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COURSE DESCRIPTION: A history of western dance from primitive origins through early modern dance. Particular emphasis on the developments of ballet and the social and artistic movements that have shaped the art form.

TEXTBOOK: *Ballet & Modern Dance*, Jack Anderson, Princeton Book Company

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

1. Students will become familiar with dance origins and western dance history.
2. Students will understand the relationship between society and the arts.
3. Students will demonstrate knowledge of historical periods in dance history.
4. Students will further develop and refine critical research skills both on-line and in a library setting.

GENERAL EDUCATION OUTCOMES: Upon completion of the course students will be able to:

1. Evaluate important artistic, cultural, and philosophical mechanisms of cultural transmission.
2. Understand the impact of historical movements in and on the arts and humanities.

Total Hours of Coursework:

To earn one academic credit at HCC, students are required to complete a minimum of 37.5 clock hours (45 fifty-minute “academic” hours) of coursework per semester. Those hours of coursework may be completed through a combination of hours within the classroom and hours outside the classroom. Certain courses may require more than the 37.5 minimum hours of coursework per credit.

For most classes, students should expect to do at least 2 hours of coursework outside of class for each hour of in-class coursework per week. For a three credit class this is six hours of outside coursework per week.

In-class instruction and discussion	37.5 hours
Assigned Readings	40 hours
Research Paper	20 hours research, writing, presentation prep
Tests, quizzes and assignments	15 hours for preparation and review
TOTAL MINIMUM TIME AN AVERAGE STUDENT SHOULD EXPECT TO SPEND ON THIS CLASS	112.5