

# Dance

## What is the Dance Program?

HCC's Dance Program is designed for students who plan to transfer to a four-year college as dance majors and offers the opportunity to develop foundational skills in concert dance technique, performance, improvisation, composition, and audition skills necessary for them to succeed in upper division dance courses. Core dance courses provide training and practice in the essential areas of dance listed above, as well as extensive exposure to a diverse array of dance studies and contemporary dance practices.

## What can I do with my dance degree?

There is a wide variety of opportunities for a candidate with a dance degree. In addition to dance performance, graduates with dance degrees often pursue the following careers:

- Activities Coordinator
- Artistic Director
- Arts Administrator
- Arts Manager
- Arts Public Relations Advisor
- Artist Agent
- Choreographer/Dance Instructor

## Why should I study dance at HCC?


Students enjoy small class sizes and apply their acquired skills in each studio dance course through performances every semester. The dance faculty hold master's and/or bachelor's degrees from prestigious schools and come from professional performance careers with



elite dance companies and theatrical venues, including the Joffrey Ballet Company. They also remain current in their fields of study by performing professionally, taking classes and workshops, and giving master classes.

The required capstone project allows each student to fully develop an original creative work from the ground up, including: working with a professional costume designer, lighting designer, and set designer; choreographing and rehearsing the piece with dance company

## PROGRAM OPTIONS

 A.A. Degree, Arts and Sciences, Dance Concentration

## CAREER OUTLOOK

### MEDIAN SALARY

**\$20**

median hourly wage  
for dancers and  
choreographers

### EMPLOYMENT



27% growth over next  
10 years

Earnings and employment will vary by location, industry, education, and experience.

(source: [www.bls.gov/ooh](http://www.bls.gov/ooh))

## What are the program options?

Students can earn an associate of art degree in dance. With the completion of this degree, students will have completed the first two years of study toward a bachelor's degree in dance and be prepared to transfer into a competitive dance program at a four-year college or university, such as the in-state options listed below:

- Towson University (B.F.A. Dance Performance, Dance K-12 Teacher Certification)
- University of Maryland College Park (B.A. Dance)
- University of Maryland Baltimore County (B.A. Dance, Education Certification)
- Coppin State University (B.S. Dance, Dance Minor)
- Frostburg State University (Dance Minor)
- Salisbury State University (Dance Minor)
- St. Mary's College of Maryland (Dance Minor)



## Arts and Sciences, Dance Concentration

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### General Education Requirements 31-32 credits

#### Arts/Humanities

DNC 201 Dance History.....3  
Select another course from the Approved General Education course list.....3  
(DNC 101 is recommended)

#### Behavioral/Social Sciences

PSY 101 General Psychology.....3  
Select another course from the Approved General Education course list.....3

#### Biological/Physical Science

Select two courses from the Approved General Education course list –  
one must be a laboratory course.....7-8

#### Diversity

Select another course from the Approved General Education course list.....3

#### English

ENG 101 English Composition .....3  
\*A minimum grad of "C" or better is required for ENG 101  
ENG 102 Advanced English Composition.....3

#### Mathematics

MAT 109 Statistics ..... 3

OR

MAT 115 Quantitative Reasoning ..... 3

OR

MAT 160 Precalculus I ..... 3

### Program Requirements .....23 credits

DNC 111 Jazz Dance I..... 3

OR

DNC 211 Jazz Dance II..... 3

DNC 114 Ballet I ..... 3

DNC 118 Modern Dance I ..... 3

DNC 130 Improvisation and Choreography ..... 3

DNC 210 Concepts in Human Movement..... 3

DNC 214 Ballet II ..... 3

DNC 215 HCC Dance Company I..... 1

DNC 218 Modern Dance II ..... 3

DNC 240 HCC Dance Company  
Capstone Project ..... 1

### Restrictive Electives.....3 credits

Select Restricted Elective credits from the following list:

THR 112 Costume Design..... 3

THR 115 Introduction to Theater Makeup ..... 3

THR 207 Stage Craft ..... 3

Free Electives 2-3 credits

Electives should be selected in consultation with a transfer advisor and the transfer institution.

### Degree Requirement.....60



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