

DANCE, BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

Curriculum Guide

GPA Requirement

Major GPA: 2.0 or higher

Overall GPA: 2.0 or higher

Summary*

Code	Title	Hours
	Rock Studies 2 Requirements	42
	Modern Language Requirement	0-9
	Other Basic Requirements	0-3
	Major Requirements	41-42
	Electives	37

* All undergraduate degree programs require a minimum of 120 credits.

Some courses meet multiple requirements, but are only counted once toward the 120 credit total required to graduate.

Rock Studies 2 Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
The Rock		
SUBJ 139	Foundations of Academic Discovery ¹	3
ENGL 102	Critical Writing	3
ENGL 104	Critical Reading	3
MATH 117	Quantitative Reasoning	3
Select one of the following:		
COMM 200	Civil Discourse: Theory & Practice	
PHIL 110	Ethics and Civil Discourse	
POLS 235	Civil Discourse and Democracy	
Subtotal		15
Integrated Inquiry		
<i>Creative and Aesthetic Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Humanities Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Social Science Inquiry</i>		
Select 3 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/)		3
<i>Natural Sciences Inquiry</i>		
SCI 101	Science of Life	3
<i>Physical Sciences Inquiry</i>		
SCI 102	Understanding the Physical World	3
Subtotal		15
Thematic Thread		
Select 12 Credits (https://catalog.sru.edu/undergraduate/rock-studies/rock-studies-program/) ²		12
Total Hours		42

¹ Course offered in multiple subjects; cannot take course in first major subject.

² One course from each category; six credits must be 300-level or above; no more than 4 credits from one subject area; specific courses required in first major, regardless of prefix of course, cannot be used to satisfy thread requirements; any course with same prefix as first major cannot be used to satisfy thread requirements, even if it is not a course in the first major.

BA Modern Language Requirement

BA degree requires language proficiency at the 103 class level. Exemption by placement or examination is possible.

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 0-9 credits		0-9
Total Hours		0-9

Basic Math Requirement

Check with your adviser or a current degree audit report to see if you have been exempted from this course. The credit earned in this course will not be counted toward the 120 credit hour minimum needed to earn a degree.

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following:		0-3
Meet required minimum SAT or ACT math score OR		
ESAP 110	Beginning Algebra	
Total Hours		0-3

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION REQUIREMENT

Students must take and pass a course with the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation prior to graduation. Students can meet this requirement by taking any DEI - designated course in any program at any time during their undergraduate career.

Major Requirements

- 21 major credits must be taken at SRU or PASSHE
- 21 major credits must be taken at the 300 level or above

Code	Title	Hours
Dance Core		
DANC 101	Wellness for Dancers ¹	3
DANC 199	LMA/Performance Techniques ¹	3
DANC 200	Dance Composition I ¹	3
DANC 216	Principles of Dance Production ¹	3
DANC 223	Creative Dance for Children ¹	3
DANC 224	Improvisation ¹	3
DANC 301	Dances of Selected Cultures ¹	2
DANC 323	Teaching of Dance ¹	3
DANC 324	Music for Dance ¹	3
DANC 326	Dance Kinesiology ¹	3
DANC 350	Field Experience in Dance Technique ¹	1
DANC 419	Dance in Contemporary Times ¹	3
DANC 420	Modern Dance Technique: Level IV ¹	2
DANC 425	Senior Capstone I: Dance Research ¹	3
Subtotal		38

Additional Core Requirements

Select 3 or 4 credits from one of the following groups: 3-4

Group 1: Dance Theory and Practice (Technique)

Select two of the following courses bringing your total BA degree to 42 credit hours:

DANC 321 Ballet III ¹

DANC 322 Jazz Dance III ¹

DANC 424 Contemporary Partnering ¹

Group 2: Composition and Technology

Select one course bringing your total BA degree to 41 credit hours:

DANC 271 Dance Technology ¹

DANC 300 Dance Composition II ¹

Group 3: Social and Historical Perspectives

Select one course bringing your total BA degree to 42 credit hours:

DANC 305 Society and Social Dance ¹

DANC 318 Dance in the Political World ¹

Subtotal 3-4

Total Hours 41-42

¹ Course counts for 50% of Major requirements and Major GPA

* Some courses may require pre-requisites. Please see course descriptions to determine if there are any pre-requisites for that specific course.

Competency Based Requirements for the BA in Dance Degree Program of Study

Competency based assessments will be used to determine level of proficiency, advancement in technique and performance, and synthesis of knowledge. The systematic assessment procedures developed by the dance faculty were created in conjunction with the National Association of Schools of Dance standards for liberal arts degree programs. By the end of the final year, BA dance students must demonstrate the following technical proficiency requirements:

- **Level IV in Modern Dance (required)**
- **Level III in Ballet (recommended)**
- **Level III in Jazz Dance (recommended)**

Co-Curricular and Experiential Learning

Students are encouraged to explore additional curricular and co-curricular opportunities. There is a strong correlation between long-term student success and participation in the following types of programs and activities:

1. Career education and development
2. Field experiences
3. Guest artist residencies and repertory experiences
4. High-impact practice (HIP) courses and activities
5. International study programs (short-term, semester)
6. Internships and Independent study
7. Residential dance companies
8. Service opportunities
9. Student-faculty research and creative projects

10. Student leadership development and opportunities

11. Summer dance intensives and workshops

Important Curriculum Guide Notes

This Curriculum Guide is provided to help SRU students and prospective students better understand their intended major curriculum. Enrolled SRU students should note that the My Rock Audit may place already-earned and/or in progress courses in different, yet valid, curriculum categories. Enrolled SRU students should use the My Rock Audit Report and materials and information provided by their faculty advisers to ensure accurate progress towards degree completion. *The information on this guide is current as of the date listed. Students are responsible for curriculum requirements at the time of enrollment at the University.*

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