Bachelor of Arts in Dance Degree Requirements

The B.A. in Dance at the University of Kansas does not require an audition. Instead, all students must pass a technical and academic evaluation at the end of their sophomore year. However, to be considered for a scholarship, a prospective or transfer student must audition. The B.A. in dance offers comprehensive technical training, built on a solid liberal arts foundation, which allows students to double-major or to pursue graduate study in any number of fields.

The curriculum leading to the B.A. in dance offers integrated training in ballet, modern, and jazz dance techniques, as well as courses in classical Indian dance, African dance and flamenco dance techniques, musical theatre dance, dance improvisation and composition, video for dance, history and philosophy of dance, music for dance, creative dance for children, dance production, career preparation in the arts and independent study options. The program prepares students for professional careers in dance or for further academic study. The senior project may involve research in any of the above areas or choreography and performance culminating in a senior recital. Students are expected to take technique classes appropriate to their level of training each semester they are enrolled. A total of 120 credit hours is required.

Bachelor of Arts in Dance Course Requirements

General Education Requirements (45-55)
Completion of the KU Core (See KU Core) 30
Completion of the College BA degree specific requirements (see College BA requirements) 15-25

Introduction to the Dance Major (1) 1
   DANC 100  Introduction to the Dance Major

Dance Technique (17) 17
Majors must complete 17 hours of Dance technique. Majors must have at least 6 hours of Ballet at the 200 level or higher, 6 hours of Modern at the 200 level or higher, and 3 hours of Jazz at the 200 level or higher. Courses may be repeated for credit.

Ballet (6) 6
6 hours of Ballet technique at the 200 level or above.
   DANC 211  Ballet II
   DANC 311  Ballet III
   DANC 411  Ballet IV

Modern/Contemporary (6) 6
6 hours of Modern/Contemporary technique at the 200 level or above.
   DANC 213  Modern Contemporary II
   DANC 313  Modern/Contemporary III
   DANC 413  Modern Contemporary IV

Jazz (3) 3
3 hours of Jazz technique at the 200 level or above

Technique Elective (2) 2
   DANC 108  Pas de Deux
   DANC 211  Ballet II
   DANC 213  Modern Contemporary II
   DANC 215  Jazz II
   DANC 307  Pointe and Pas de Deux
   DANC 308  Pas de Deux
   DANC 309  Men's Ballet
   DANC 311  Ballet III
   DANC 313  Modern/Contemporary III
   DANC 315  Jazz III
   DANC 411  Ballet IV
   DANC 413  Modern Contemporary IV
   DANC 415  Jazz IV

University Dance Company (2) 2
Satisfied by two semesters of University Dance Company.
Repeable for credit.
   DANC 320  University Dance Company
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Dance Composition (10) 10
Majors must complete courses as specified in each of the following areas.
   DANC 150  Choreography I
   DANC 250  Choreography II
   DANC 350  Choreography III
   DANC 550  Senior Project

Dance Studies (9) 9
Majors must complete courses as specified in each of the following areas.
   DANC 330  Approaches to World Dance
   DANC 375  Anatomy and Injury Prevention
   Dance Pedagogy: Choose one from DANC 430, DANC 520, or DANC 540
   DANC 430  Dance for Children
   or DANC 520 Pedagogy
   or DANC 540 Field Experience in Dance Teaching

Dance Electives (9) 9
Students must select 9 hours from the following:
   DANC 177  First Year Seminar: _____
   DANC 210  Rhythms and Structures of Music
   DANC 260  Musical Theatre Dance
   DANC 334  Introduction to African Dance Theatre
   DANC 420  Introduction to Videography and Website Design for Dance
   DANC 430  Dance for Children
   DANC 440  Introduction to Classical East Indian Dance
   DANC 460  Dance History: Research and Reconstruction
   DANC 475  Career Preparation in the Arts
   DANC 490  Introduction to Flamenco Dance Technique
   DANC 498  Directed Study in: _____
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DANC 520 Pedagogy
DANC 530 Practicum in: _____
DANC 540 Field Experience in Dance Teaching
DANC 580 Special Topics in Dance: _____

Major Hours & Major GPA

While completing all required courses, majors must also meet each of the following hour and grade-point average minimum standards:

**Major Hours**
Satisfied by 51 hours of major courses.

**Major Hours in Residence**
Satisfied by a minimum of 15 hours of KU resident credit in the major.

**Major Junior/Senior Hours**
Satisfied by a minimum of 12 hours from junior/senior courses (300+) in the major.

**Major Junior/Senior Graduation GPA**
Satisfied by a minimum of a 2.0 KU GPA in junior/senior courses (300+) in the field of study including F’s and repeated courses. See the Semester/Cumulative GPA Calculator (http://clas.ku.edu/undergrad/tools/gpa).

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BA in Dance. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill KU Core Goals, please visit the KU Core website (http://kucore.ku.edu/courses).

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Total Hours: 124-127

1. The BA requires completion of two courses of collegiate-level writing instruction. Students who test out of Composition will still need to complete ENGL 102 (or equivalent) and one additional Goal 2.1 course.
2. DANC 150 and DANC 350 are rotational and must be taken in sequence.
3. Visit this website (http://college.ku.edu/undergrad/curriculum/ ba_QR) for a list of courses that fulfill the BA Quantitative Reasoning requirement.

Please note:

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to completed 120 total hours of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

The same course cannot be used to fulfill more than one KU Core Goal. However, overlap of a KU Core course with a major or degree-specific
requirement is allowed. Overlapping is recommended to allow more opportunities to explore other majors and/or minors.