

# DANCE - ASSOCIATE IN ARTS

The Associate in Arts in Dance degree will prepare students for transfer into a four-year dance major, minor, or performing arts program. It can also prepare students for further study in other dance-related fields including performing, dance teaching, choreography, dance science, dance therapy, dance history, or dance criticism. Upon completion of the degree, students will be proficient in three or more dance technique styles at the intermediate level, have a firm understanding of dance appreciation and music theory, and be competent in creating and performing dance.

The Associate in Arts in Dance degree course of study requires a sound foundation of ballet, jazz, and modern dance technique. Students must pass or test out of DANCE 010, DANCE 020, and DANCE 050 prior to beginning the required coursework for this degree. A minimum of 3 courses in the dance major must be taken at San José City College.

A grade of "C" or better is required for each course in the major or area of emphasis. A "P" (Pass) grade is an acceptable grade for courses in the major or area of emphasis if the course is taken on a Pass/No Pass basis.

## CAREER OPTIONS:

- Dance Teacher
- Choreographer
- Dance Performer

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

- Apply proper posture, alignment, body organizations, vocabulary, and performance quality to a variety of dance techniques.
- Discuss the aesthetics and composition of dance as an expression of self and culture.
- Critically compare various dance genres on the basis of movement and historical context.
- Perform original dance choreography in class or for live public performances.
- Create dance choreography using the principles of composition for in class demonstration or live public performance.

*Students must pass or test out of Dance 010, Dance 020 and Dance 050 prior to beginning the required coursework for this degree.*

## Major Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Required Courses</b>		
<b>8.5-10.5</b>		
DANCE 002	Dance Appreciation	3
DANCE 030	Dance Improvisation	1.5
MUSIC 091	Music Appreciation: Western Civilization	3
THEAT 033	Technical Theatre in Production	1-3
<b>Required Technique Courses</b>		
<b>7</b>		
DANCE 011	Ballet, Intermediate I	1
DANCE 011B	Ballet, Intermediate 2	1
DANCE 011C	Ballet, Advanced	1
DANCE 021	Jazz-Contemporary, Intermediate 1	1
DANCE 021B	Jazz-Contemporary Dance, Intermediate 2	1
DANCE 051	Modern-Contemporary Dance, Intermediate	1

DANCE 051B	Modern-Contemporary Dance, Intermediate	1
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### Elective Technique Courses 1.5

Complete any combination totaling at least 1.5 units from the following:

DANCE 023B	Hip-Hop Dance, Beginning 2	1
DANCE 023C	Hip-Hop Dance, Intermediate	1
DANCE 040B	Tap Dance, Beginning 2	0.5
DANCE 040C	Tap Dance, Intermediate	0.5
DANCE 064	Ballroom Dance, Beginning	0.5
DANCE 065	Ballroom Dance, Intermediate	0.5
DANCE 066	Intermediate Ballroom - Latin	1
DANCE 067	Intermediate Ballroom - Swing	1

### Approved Major Electives 4

Complete any combination totaling at least 4.0 units from the following:

DANCE 004	Dance Pedagogy: Teaching Children Dance	3
DANCE 013A	Dancers' Workshop - Student, Large Group	0.5-1
DANCE 013B	Dancers' Workshop - Student, Small Group	0.5-1
DANCE 013C	Dancers' Workshop - Student, Solo/Duet	0.5-1
DANCE 014A	Rehearsal and Performance - Modern Dance	.5-1.5
DANCE 014B	Rehearsal and Performance - Jazz Dance	.5-1.5
DANCE 014C	Rehearsal and Performance - Hip-Hop Dance	.5-1.5
DANCE 014D	Rehearsal and Performance - Tap Dance	.5-1.5
DANCE 014E	Rehearsal and Performance - Ballroom Dance	.5-1.5
DANCE 014F	Rehearsal and Performance - Ballet	.5-1.5
DANCE 032	Choreography	1.5
DANCE 034A	Choreography Workshop - Large Group	1
DANCE 034B	Choreography Workshop - Small Group	1
DANCE 034C	Choreography Workshop - Solo/Duet	1

### Total Units 23

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Course	Title	Credits
Major Requirements		23
General Education Requirements		34
Degree Applicable Electives		3
Complete two courses for the U.S. History, Constitution, and American Ideals Requirement (US-1, US-2, and US-3)		
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>60</b>