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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: At least 30 credit hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS.

Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore VAPA – Theatre and Dance: [Theatre & Dance | Visual & Performing Arts \(uccs.edu\)](http://www.uccs.edu/theatre-dance)

Major Requirements			
VAPA – Dance/Theatre Option (60 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a minimum of 51 credit hours of DNCE/THTR course work, and an additional 9 hours of VAPA department course work. • Requires a minimum of 38 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) VAPA course work. • All VAPA course work must have a grade of "C" or better. <p>*A Practicum is NOT a traditional class. Enrollment in Practicums is strictly by consent of the program director. Students should <i>only</i> register for these experiences <i>after</i> they have been cast or assigned a duty in an upcoming production.</p> <p>NOTE: All VAPA Dance/Theatre majors must meet with the department Program Director each semester for faculty advising. Contact the Theatre Program Director for details.</p>	VAPA 1000-level Core course	Complete any one 1000-level VAPA Core course. See Degree Audit for the complete list of courses.	3
	VAPA 3000-level Core courses	Complete any two 3000-level VAPA Core courses. See Degree Audit for the complete list of courses.	6
	DNCE 1000 or THTR 1000	Dance Appreciation or Introduction to Theatre	3
	DNCE 2700	Fundamentals of Dance Technique	3
	Dance History and Dance Pedagogy	Complete 2 courses from the list below: DNCE 3201 -Topics in Early Dance History DNCE 3202 – Topics in Contemporary Dance History DNCE 3203 – Dance Pedagogy	6
	DNCE 4700	Dance Composition	3
	THTR 2000	Introduction to Technical Theatre	4
	THTR 2020	Acting Workshop I	3
	THTR 3201	Topics in Early Theatre History	3
	THTR 3202	Topics in Modern Theatre History	3
	THTR 4060	Directing I	3
	Capstone Course	DNCE 4393 Dance Capstone OR THTR 4393 Theatre Practicum: Capstone	1
	Practicum Experience*	Complete 4 hours from the following: DNCE 3390, 3391, 3392 THTR 3390, 3391, 3392	4
Electives	Complete 15 hours of THTR or DNCE electives from the list below. At least 9 hours must be upper-division (3000+ level) THTR or DNCE courses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DNCE 3700, 3720, 3730, 3750, 3760, 3800, 4710, 4740, 4900 • THTR 2010, 2030, 2040, 2050, 2060, 2600, 2900, 3020, 3030, 3040, 3050, 3060, 3070, 3100, 3110, 3230, 3240, 3400, 3510, 3520, 3530, 3540, 3550, 3560, 3590, 3600, 3960, 3970, 3980, 4060, 4070 	15	

General Education and Elective Requirements

Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) ENGL 1410 Writing Portfolio – PORT 3000 (0 credits) or PORT 4000 (1 credit) or alternative – See Degree Audit 	
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
Core Humanities (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This course also fulfills Navigate and one Writing Intensive course. 	
Natural Sciences Lab (1 hour)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Degree Audit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This can be taken as part of an Explore – PNW course that has a lab component 	
Oral Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> THTR 2020 	
LAS Language other than English Requirement	Complete two semesters of a language other than English equivalent to 1010 & 1020 with high school, transfer, placement exam, or UCCS coursework. <i>Courses taken to fulfill this requirement may also count toward Compass Curriculum Explore - Arts, Humanities and Cultures or general electives. See degree audit for details.</i>	
Compass Curriculum (21 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and Navigate courses must be taken in departments other than the major. Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses may count toward other requirements within the degree. 	Component	Course
	Gateway Program Seminar	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)
	Summit	DANCE 4393 or THTR 4393 (included in major requirements)
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) (2 courses) <i>Must include one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements) THTR 3201 (included in major requirements)
Inclusiveness (2 courses: 1 Global and 1 Local)	See Degree Audit	
Sustainability	See Degree Audit	
General Electives (26 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410
		DNCE 1000 or THTR 1000	3		THTR 2000	4
		DNCE 2700	3		THTR 2020 (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3
		GPS 1010	3		VAPA 1000-Level Core Course	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	16

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			DNCE/THTR Elective	4		DNCE/THTR Elective
		Reasoning Skills Course (<i>INDS 1050</i>)	3		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3
		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3		General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective (<i>Sustainability</i>)	3
		TOTAL	16		TOTAL	15

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			Dance History and Dance Pedagogy Course	3		Dance History and Dance Pedagogy Course
		DNCE 3201	3		DNCE 3202	3
		DNCE 4700	3		DNCE/THTR Practicum	1
		DNCE/THTR Practicum	1		VAPA 3000-Level Core Course	3
		VAPA 3000-Level Core Course	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	2		General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	16

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			THTR 4060	3		DNCE 4393 or THTR 4393
		DNCE/THTR Practicum	1		DNCE/THTR Practicum	1
		Upper-Division (UD) DNCE/THTR Elective	3		UD DNCE/THTR Elective	3
		UD DNCE/THTR Elective	3		Natural Science Lab	1
		HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	2		UD General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	12