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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

1. 120 credit hours
2. 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
3. 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
4. Residency: Last 30 credit hours of 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:

1. All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
2. 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.

MAJOR INFORMATION

The Visual and Performing Arts Department offers a cross-disciplinary degree that encourages innovative collaboration between disciplines. This focus integrates art history, dance, film studies, museum and gallery practice, music, theatre, and visual arts. Students complete this degree with a primary concentration in one area and develop a comprehensive knowledge in each of the major disciplines. Through studio arts, performance, theory, scholarship, and creative uses of media and technology, students will engage in an investigative approach to the arts, where the local and global converge; where cross-fertilization inspires critical thinking, dialogue and improvisation; and where diversity of thought is intrinsic to artistic process and practice. Dance provides the student with a theoretical/historical grounding in the art of the dance, and the opportunity to put theories into practice in performance situations.

Major Requirements			
VAPA – Dance Major (60 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requires a minimum of 48 credit hours of DNC/THTR course work, and an additional 12 hours of VAPA department course work. • Requires a minimum of 35 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) VAPA course work. • All VAPA course work must have a grade of "C" or better. <p>NOTE: All VAPA Dance majors must meet with the department's Program Director each semester for academic advising. Contact the Dance Program Director for details.</p>	VAPA 1000-level Core course	Complete one 1000-level VAPA Core course from the list below: VAPA 1005, 1020, 1050, 1100, 1500	3
	VAPA 3000-level Core courses	Complete two 3000-level VAPA Core courses from the list below: VAPA 3900, 3910, 3920, 3950, 3960, 3970, 3980, 3990	6
	THTR 1000	Introduction to Theatre	3
	DNCE 2700	Fundamentals of Dance Technique	3
	THTR 2000	Introduction to Technical Theatre	4
	THTR 2020	Acting Workshop I	3
	DNCE 3201	Topics in Early Dance History	3
	DNCE 3202	Topics in Contemporary Dance History	3
	DNCE 4700	Dance Composition I	3
	DNCE 4710	Dance Composition II	3
	Practicum Experience	5 productions, 1 credit each. Complete 5 credit hours of Practicum courses, including at least 1 credit hour of each of the following: DNCE 3390 - Dance Performance Practicum DNCE 3391 - Dance Technical Practicum DNCE 3392 - Dance Choreography Practicum DNCE 4393 – Dance Capstone THTR 4393 – Theatre Practicum: Capstone	5
	Upper-Division DNCE Electives	Complete 12 hours of upper-division (3000+) DNCE Electives from the list below: DNCE 3700, 3710, 3720, 3730, 3740, 3750, 3760, 3800, 4900	12
	Lower-Division DNCE/THTR Electives	Complete an additional 6 hours of lower-division (1000- and 2000-level) DNCE/THTR electives.	6
Cross-Disciplinary Electives	Complete 3 hours of 2000-level or higher cross-disciplinary coursework from other VAPA areas: AH, FILM, MSGP, MUS, or VA.	3	

General Education and Elective Requirements																					
Composition (6 hours)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> ENGL 1310 ENGL 1410 PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio 																				
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.																				
Area Requirements (27 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements Courses may not be taken pass/fail 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990. Social Sciences – 9 credit hours Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course <p>NOTE: Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>																				
Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements	One course from each list (see degree audit). <i>All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.</i>																				
Compass Curriculum (12 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major and area requirements Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree 	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Component</th> <th>Course</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Gateway</td> <td>GPS 1010</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Explore – Physical and Natural World</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Navigate</td> <td>HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Summit</td> <td>THTR 4393 (included in major requirements)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i></td> <td> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) See Degree Audit </td> </tr> <tr> <td>Inclusiveness</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sustainability</td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Component	Course	Gateway	GPS 1010	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures	See Degree Audit	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health	See Degree Audit	Explore – Physical and Natural World	See Degree Audit	Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)	Summit	THTR 4393 (included in major requirements)	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements) See Degree Audit 	Inclusiveness	See Degree Audit	Sustainability	See Degree Audit
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General Electives (9-12 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
		THTR 1000	3		THTR 2020	3
		VAPA 1000-Level Course	3		Humanities Elective	3
		GPS 1010	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		INDS 1050	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			THTR 2000	4		DNCE Elective
		VAPA Cross-Disciplinary Course	3		Humanities Elective	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Natural Science Elective	3
		General Elective	3		Social Science Elective	3
		Social Science Elective	3		Upper-Division (UD) General Elective	3
		TOTAL	16		TOTAL	15

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			DNCE 3201	3		DNCE 3202
		DNCE Elective	3		DNCE Practicum	1
		DNCE Practicum	1		UD DNCE Elective	3
		DNCE 4700	3		UD DNCE Elective	3
		VAPA 3000-Level Course	3		VAPA 3000-Level Course	3
		Natural Science Elective	2		Social Science Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	16

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			DNCE 4710	3		DNCE Practicum
		DNCE Practicum	1		DNCE Practicum	1
		UD DNCE Elective	3		THTR 4393	3
		UD DNCE Elective	3		Natural Science Elective w/ Lab	4
		HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective	4
		General Elective	2			
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	13