Course Syllabus

Course Information
DANC 1342                Ballet II

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Course Description
This course is a continuation of Dance 1341. Emphasis is on body directions and stamina. More complex combinations using advanced patterning will be studied.

Student Learning Outcomes
- Ability to define intermediate vocabulary terminology with correct pronunciation
- Able to describe how to execute intermediate movements
- Able to demonstrate execution of intermediate movements

Lectures/ Discussions/ Learning Units/ Lessons
Course Overview
- Class etiquette for the student who aspires to participate in dance as a professional
- Study of intermediate patterns and steps
- Restatement of appropriate dance manners and attire
- In depth study of body directions

Course Requirements, Assignments and Tests

Attendance
Roll will be taken at every class period. This class is an activity class, therefore attendance is mandatory. Absences can be made up by attending another ballet class of the same level or higher and turning in a makeup slip, or by doing other assignments approved by the instructor.

Participation
The nature of this course is participatory; students are expected to be mentally and physically alert and ready to participate. Participation involves taking part in class through observation and reproduction of movement, asking questions, and applying critiques.

Final Project
The final exam project is in class choreography. The grading is pass/fail. Attendance and participation in the final is a pass. An absence is a fail.

Grading Policy
40%  Class Participation
40%  Attendance
20%  Final

A+  98-100    B+  88-89    C+  78-79    D+  68-69
A   93-97    B   83-87    C   73-77    D   63-67
A-  90-92    B-  80-82    C-  70-72    D-  60-62
     F     59 & below
Course and Instructor Policies

All students are expected to conduct themselves professionally.
A courteous and respectful attitude towards instructor and classmates must be shown at all times.
Minimum jewelry
No chewing gum
Closed liquid containers (water only)
No sitting down during class, if you do you may not participate in the rest of class.
No talking while dancing or during demonstrations of exercise.
No leaving the studio without teacher approval.
You are required to wear dance or workout clothes. Loose fitting street clothes are not appropriate.
Do not correct fellow students.
All assignments must be turned in on time in order to receive full credit.
All dates and assignments are subject to change at the instructor’s discretion.

PART II

DROP/withdrawal policy: withdrawing from a course is a formal procedure which you must initiate; the instructor cannot do it for you. You may do this in admissions or counseling. If you stop attending class and do not withdraw, you will receive a performance grade, which can result in an “F.” Students sometimes drop courses when help is available that would enable them to continue. Please discuss your plans with the instructor if you feel the need to withdraw.

INTERNAL TRANSFER: A credit student may transfer to non-credit status after the refund period and on or before the final drop date of the semester. No student will be permitted to transfer after that date. Please consult with your instructor if you wish to utilize this transfer process.

RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS: A student shall be excused from attending classes, or other required activities, including examinations, for the observance of a religious holy day, including travel for that purpose. A student whose absence is excused under this provision may not be penalized for that absence and shall be allowed to take an examination or complete an assignment within a reasonable time after the absence.

A “religious holy day” means a holy day observed by a religion whose places of worship are exempt from property taxation under Section 11.20, Tax Code. A student who is excused under this section may not be penalized for the absence, but the instructor may appropriately respond if the student fails to satisfactorily complete the assignment or examination. Further information is available at http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/index.cfm?objectid=3BBA5600-AB9B-55C7-1A1C6ED6B09A1FD7 under Sub Chapter A, General Provisions §4.4 (Texas Education Code 51.911).

ADA STATEMENT: Any student who feels that he/she may need any special assistance or accommodation because of an impairment, disability, or handicap, please contact Special Services Office in Room S124 or at 972-860-4847. Information can be found online at http://www.brookhavencollege.edu/studentsvcs/special-services/.
**ACADEMIC INTEGRITY:** The purpose of the Student Code of Conduct is to provide guidelines for the educational environment of The Dallas County Community College District. Such an environment presupposes both rights and responsibilities. Disciplinary regulations at the college are set forth in writing in order to give students general notice of prohibited conduct. Students should be aware of disciplinary actions for all forms of academic dishonesty, including cheating, fabrication, facilitating academic dishonesty, plagiarism and collusion. The entire Student Code of Conduct (rev. 6/29/12) is online at [https://www1.dcccd.edu/catalog/ss/code.cfm?loc=2](https://www1.dcccd.edu/catalog/ss/code.cfm?loc=2) and scroll down to Responsibility (#3), for detailed information.

**FINANCIAL AID STATEMENT:** Students who are receiving any form of financial aid should check with the Financial Aid Office prior to withdrawing from classes. Withdrawals may affect your eligibility to receive further aid and could cause you to be in a position of repayment for the current semester. Students who fail to attend or participate after the drop date are also subject to this policy.

**Please note:** If you are receiving Financial Aid grants or loans, you must begin attendance in all classes before the certification date. You also must attend or participate after the drop date in order not to be marked as non-attending in the event that you fail the course. Do not drop or stop attending any class without consulting the Financial Aid Office. Changes in your enrollment level and failing grades may require that you repay financial aid. By Texas law, students may drop only six classes during their undergraduate career.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING DROPPED COURSES:**

Section 51.907 of the Texas Education Code applies to students who enroll in a Texas public institution of higher education for the first time in fall 2007 or later. This includes dual credit and Early College High School students.

Based on this law, DCCCD or any other Texas public institution of higher education may not permit a student to drop more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. All courses dropped after the official drop and add period for the course are included in the six-course limit, including courses dropped at another Texas public institution of higher education, unless it qualifies as an exception. Contact your college’s counseling/advising office for further details related to exceptions.

Policies and procedures for implementation of this law will be developed and published as soon as the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board finalizes its rules associated with this statute. Students affected by this law who plan to attend another institution of higher education should become familiar with the institution’s policies on dropping courses.

All DCCCD websites are subject to change. Please go to [http://www.dcccd.edu/](http://www.dcccd.edu/) for further information.