

Dance Major

Major Code: TH27

The Theatre and Dance Department offers a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Dance. The Dance major provides movement courses in ballet, jazz, hip hop, contemporary and world dance. Courses in dance making, improvisation, history, aesthetics and criticism are also provided. Students have the opportunity to perform in the Departmental Dance productions and receive academic credit. The Theatre and Dance productions are held in the Theatre District shared with the Tony award-winning La Jolla Playhouse.

Prospective Freshman and Transfer students pursuing a Dance major may submit an optional art portfolio/audition video to enhance their overall UCSD application. For more information visit: http://theatre.ucsd.edu/academics/undergraduate/audition_policy.html

Current UCSD students do not have to submit an audition tape to be a Dance major. To change your major submit your request through TritonLink.

Courses for the major must be taken for a letter grade and only "C-" or better will be accepted.

All courses listed below are required for the Dance major

Lower division requirements (9 courses/ 36 units):

1. TDDM 1. Introduction to Dance Making
2. TDDM 5. Site Specific Dance and Performance
3. TDHD 20. Looking at Dance
4. TDHD 21. Dance Pioneers of the 20th and 21st Centuries
5. TDMV 20. Movement Laboratory
6. TDPR 6. Theatre Practicum
7. TDTR 10. Introduction to Dance
8. TDTR 15. Dance Movement and Analysis
9. TDTR 20. Dance on Film

Upper division requirements (12 courses/ 48 units):

10. TDDM 100 - Dance Making 1
11. TDDM 101 - Dance Making 2
12. One Dance History course from the following:
 - TDHD 175 - Cultural Perspectives on Dance
 - TDHD 176 - Dance History-Special Topics
13. TDTR 104 - Dance Theory and Pedagogy
14. Four Core Movement courses (16 units total) from the following:
 - Each class below may be taken up to 6 times for credit*
 - TDMV 120, TDMV 122
15. Four Elective courses (16 units total) from the following:
 - Each class below may be taken up to 3 times for credit*
 - Ballet: TDMV 110, TDMV 111, TDMV 112
 - Contact Improvisation: TDMV 123
 - Dances of the World: TDMV 141, TDMV 142, TDMV 143, TDMV 144, TDMV 146
 - Jazz: TDMV 133
 - Hip-Hop: TDMV 148, TDMV 149