

## UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

# SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS – DANCE DNCE 205: Introductory Contemporary Dance II Winter 2016

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Office Hours	By appointment only
Day(s), Time(s) and	Wednesday/Friday 12:00pm – 1:50pm
Location of Class	KN Auxiliary Gymnasium
Out of Class	Students will be required to attend ONE contemporary dance performance during the
Activities	session.
Learning Resources:	N/A
Required Readings,	
Textbooks and	
Materials	
Prerequisites	Dance 201 or equivalent or consent of the Division Chair, Dance.
Supplementary Fees	\$78.00 per student
Course Description	Further introductory study of the techniques of contemporary dance.
	Notes: Not open to Dance Majors.
	Not included in GPA.
Course Overview	This course will be a movement-based study of contemporary dance at a further
	introductory level; it is experiential learning through active physical participation.
	Students work on refining skills and individual expression in movement by exploring
	elements of contemporary dance such as weight, locomotion, rhythm, space, and
	energy. This course will cover the following (building upon the introductory level):
	contemporary technique, improvisation, basic composition tools, performance and
	expression, writing and class discussions.
Course Learning	By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:
Outcomes	1. Recognize and apply elements specific to the study of contemporary dance.
	2. Demonstrate improved stamina, flexibility, balance, rhythm and musicality.
	3. Exude confidence when entering into a contemporary dance class setting by a
	deeper understanding of the form and respect for dance class etiquette.
	4. Comprehend and speak about the historical context for contemporary dance.
	5. Attend a contemporary dance performance and reflect on the experience with more
	informed consideration.
Course Schedule:	Be prepared to dance in every class. As this is experiential learning, each class is
	considered to be an assignment.
	Readings and/or video support materials will be provided and discussed in-class
	relative to the course content, throughout the course duration.
	Mid-term Assessment will be February 26 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
	Final Assessment will be April 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
	There will be no classes February 14 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> for Reading Days.
Assessment	This is a PASS/FAIL course

#### Components

To achieve a passing grade you must complete all the requirements listed below.

#### Requirement 1: Attendance and Participation

**Value**: Must be completed to receive a passing grade **Due Date**: Evaluated over entire course session **Type**: Presence, Engagement and Participation

**Description:** It is expected that students attend ALL classes. As the course content is cumulative **more than four missed classes will result in failure to pass the course.** FULL participation is required during the entire class. You are expected to be present, keen and curious. Explore all material deeply and intelligently, and join discussions expressing your understanding of the ideas and concepts presented in class. Please arrive on time, dressed in appropriate dancewear, having reviewed previous class material. Your preparation for class work should include a program of stretching, strengthening and a pre-class warm up. **Non-participation through any part of class be assessed as** ½ **an absence (this includes late arrivals or early departures); i.e. 2 such classes are equivalent to a full absence.** 

**<u>Requirement 2: Assignment</u>**: Attend Contemporary Dance Performance

Value: Must be completed to receive a passing grade

**Due Date:** Within one week after attending performance – on or before April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Type:** Written and Experiential

**Description**: Attend ONE dance performances over the semester, submit ticket and a short paper between 200 – 250 words discussing your experience of the work.

#### **Requirement 3: Mid-Term Assessment**

**Value:** Must be completed to receive a passing grade

**Date:** February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 **Length:** In-class (1.5 hrs.)

Details: Perform a selection of short pieces of choreography from class material and

complete a self-evaluation. Students are expected to display confidence and

knowledge of the material.

#### **Requirement 4: Final Assessment**

Value: Must be completed to receive a passing grade

Date: April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Length: In-class (1.5 hrs.)

**Details:** Perform a selection of short pieces of choreography from class material. Students are expected to display confidence and knowledge of the material.

### Assessment Expectations

#### **Expectations for Requirements, Assignments and Assessment:**

As this is a Pass/Fail course, no grade value will be placed on the requirements, assignments and assessments. Students are expected to complete each of these in a thoughtful, informed and engaged manner. Should students not complete any one of these in an acceptable condition, the instructor will inform them. Students may be asked to complete an alternate project in lieu of any unacceptable requirement, assignment or assessment.

#### **Expectations for Writing:**

Writing skills are important to academic study across all disciplines. Consequently, instructors may use their assessment of writing quality as a factor in the evaluation of student work. Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.2 Writing Across the Curriculum policy for details.

	Expectations for Attendance and Participation:
	Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.3 Attendance for details.
	Division of Dance Attendance Policy
	<ul> <li>Due to the experiential nature of this course, classes are equivalent to assignment. Therefore, classes missed will be detrimental to the final grade. More than four (4) missed classes will result in a fail for the course.</li> <li>If you show up late for or leave early from class two (2) times, this will be counted as a full class absence.</li> <li>If for some reason you are feeling unwell during class time, a substitute form</li> </ul>
	of participation may be arranged; however, you may not obtain this privilege more than once and you will receive half an absence.  • For studio courses, if you opt out of full participation and choose to sit for a
	portion of the class, this will be counted as non-participation and will be marked as half an absence.
	<ul> <li>Students are responsible for any and all material missed during an absence.</li> </ul>
Grading Scale	This course is a pass (CR) or fail (F) course. The grades in this course will not be included in the calculation of student's grade point average, as outlined in the section F.2 of the Undergraduate Calendar for 2015-2016.  Due to the experiential nature of the course, classes are equivalent to assignments.
	Therefore classes missed will be detrimental to the final grade. More than <u>four</u> missed
MIDTERM AND FINAL	classes will result in <u>failure</u> to pass the course.
MIDTERM AND FINAL EXAMINATION	Final examinations may be scheduled at any time during the examination period (11-22 December for Fall 2015 term; 16-27 April for Winter 2016 term); students should therefore
SCHEDULING	avoid making prior travel, employment, or other commitments for this period. If a student is
	unable to write an exam through no fault of his or her own for medical or other valid reasons,
	documentation must be provided and an opportunity to write the missed exam may be
	given. Students are encouraged to review all examination policies and procedures:
	ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred final
DEFERRALS OF	It is possible to request a deferral of term work or final examinations for reasons of illness,
EXAMS/TERM WORK	accident, family or domestic affliction, or religious obligations. Please check with your advisor if
	any of these issues make it impossible for you to sit an exam or finish term work by stated deadlines. ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final
	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-6.html
	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-0.html
INTERNET AND	elearn.ucalgary.ca/category/d2l/
ELECTRONIC	ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/emergency-instructions/uc-emergency-app
COMMUNCATION	The in-class use of computers may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and other
DEVICE	electronic communication devices should be silenced or turned off upon entering the
	classroom. If you violate the Instructor's policy regarding the use of electronic communication
	devices in the classroom, you may be asked to leave the classroom; repeated abuse may result in a charge of misconduct. No audio or video recording of any kind is allowed in class without
	explicit permission of the Instructor.
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY,	The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and
PLAGIARISM	honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic honesty and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect. Students are referred to the section on plagiarism in the University Calendar ( <a href="https://www.ucalendar/current/k-2.html">ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2.html</a> ) and are reminded that plagiarism Using any source whatsoever without clearly documenting it—is an extremely serious academic offence. Consequences include failure on the assignment, failure in the course and possibly suspension or expulsion from the university. You must
	document not only direct quotations but also paraphrases and ideas where they appear in your text. A reference list at the end is insufficient by itself. Readers must be able to tell exactly where your words and ideas end and other people's words and ideas begin. This includes

	assignments submitted in non-traditional formats such as Web pages or visual media, and
	material taken from such sources. Please consult your instructor or the Student Success Centre
	(TFDL 3rd Floor) if you have any questions regarding how to document sources.
COPYRIGHT	It is the responsibility of students and professors to ensure that materials they post or
	distribute to others comply with the Copyright Act and the University's Fair Dealing Guidance
	for Students. Further copyright information for students is available on the Copyright Office
	web page ( <u>library.ucalgary.ca/copyright</u> ).
ACADEMIC	Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact
ACCOMMODATION	Student Accessibility Services (SAS); SAS will process the request and issue letters of
	accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and
	accommodations for students with disabilities, visit <a href="www.ucalgary.ca/access/">www.ucalgary.ca/access/</a> . Students who
	require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other
	than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.
	The full policy on Student Accommodations is available
	at <a href="http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy">http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy</a> 0.pdf .
FOIP	<u>ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy</u>
STUDENT	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html
MISCONDUCT	
ACADEMIC STANDING	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f.html
SAFEWALK	220-5333 anytime. <u>ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk</u>
CAMPUS SECURITY	220-5333. Help phones: located throughout campus, parking lots, and elevators. They connect
	directly to Campus Security; in case of emergency, press the red button.
EMERGENCY	Assembly points for emergencies have been identified across campus. The primary assembly
EVACUATION	point for Craigie Hall is the Professional Faculties Food Court. For more information, see the
	University of Calgary's Emergency Management website:
	<u>ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints</u>
FACULTY OF ARTS	For academic advising, visit the Arts Students' Centre (ASC) for answers about course
PROGRAM ADVISING	registration, graduation checks, and the 'big picture' on programs and majors. Drop in at
AND STUDENT	SS102, email us at ascarts@ucalgary.ca or call us at 403-220-3580. You can also visit the
INFORMATION	Faculty of Arts website at <u>arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate</u> which has detailed information on
RESOURCES	common academic concerns.
	• For academic success support, such as writing support, peer support, success seminars, and
	learning support, visit the Student Success Centre on the third floor of the Taylor Family
	Digital Library (TFDL), email them at <a href="mailto:success@ucalgary.ca">success@ucalgary.ca</a> or visit their website at
	<u>ucalgary.ca/ssc/</u> for more information or to book an appointment.
	• For enrolment assistance, including registration (add/drop/swap) changes, paying fees, and
	navigating your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625], by
	email at <u>futurestudents@ucalgary.ca</u> or visit them at the MacKimmie Block 117.
COURSE OUTLINES FOR	It is possible that you will be asked for copies of this outline for credit transfers to other
TRANSFER CREDIT	institutions or for proof of work done. It is the student's responsibility to keep these outlines
	and provide them to employers or other universities when requested. Please ensure that
	outlines of all the courses you take are kept in a safe place for your future reference.
	Departments/Programs do not guarantee that they will provide copies.
LETTER OF PERMISSION	If you wish to study at another institution while registered at the U of C, you must have a letter
	of permission. You can submit your request through your Student Centre at MyUofC. Students
	must have the Letter of Permission before they take the course at another school. Failure to
	prepare may result in no credit awarded and could result in suspension from the faculty.
STUDENT UNION	Student Union: <u>su.ucalgary.ca/about/who-we-are/elected-officials/</u>
CONTACT	Faculty of Arts reps: arts1@su.ucalgary.ca; arts2@su.ucalgary.ca; arts3@su.ucalgary.ca;
STUDENT	arts4@su.ucalgary.ca
OMBUDSPERSON	Graduate Student's Association: gsa.ucalgary.ca/executive
	Student Ombudsman: su.ucalgary.ca/page/quality-education/academic-services/student-rights
UNDERGRADUATE	DUS: Drama Undergraduate Society, CHC 005 <u>uofcdus@gmail.com</u>
ASSOCIATIONS	MUS: Music Undergraduate Society, CHF 219 <u>undmusic@ucalgary.ca</u>