

# FOUR YEAR COURSE PLANS

## *OWU THEATRE and DANCE*

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The faculty in the Department of Theatre and Dance have developed these guidelines to assist the typical student who wants to major in Theatre or Dance Theatre. Students who wish to concentrate in a certain area of the art form may want to seek additional advice from those faculty in that area. As always, the OWU Catalog and Registrar are the final authority on graduation requirements.

### NOTE:

These plans are meant as a guide, to assist your scheduling strategy with your academic advisor. These plans assume no transfer credit, AP credit, or requirement waivers.

These plans assume a minimum semester course load averaging 4.25.

\*\*\*\*Additional theatre or dance electives may be taken if more than 4.25 units per semester are earned; or if approved credit has been earned previously/elsewhere.

### GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

34 units are the minimum required for graduation. Of these, a student may not exceed more than 13 courses within a single discipline (Theatre) or 17 courses within a single department (Theatre & Dance). Upper level credits must total at least 15.

Typically, assuming a 34 credit plan, this will mean that a student who takes 9 theatre and 1 dance course to fulfill the theatre major will have 4 openings for theatre electives, and those who take 10 theatre courses will have 3 openings for theatre electives. Cross-listed courses may offer some flexibility, but be aware that the Academic Dean/APC may be limiting aspects of that practice in the near future.

In addition, 31 units must be full-unit courses. Modular courses taken in the same discipline may be combined in pairs to count as unit courses, (.50 Tech Topics and .50 Theatre Practicums). Not more than three units of fractional courses may be counted towards graduation, and not more than 2 of these can be from one discipline. (.25 Theatre Practicum )

KEY to 4 Year Course Plans below:

- \* These courses are required for the theatre or dance theatre major. Most required courses can be taken in any year, as long as the prerequisites have been satisfied.
- + Theatre/Dance electives can be taken in this semester, or another, if it is exchanged with an OWU REQ. (These courses will include competency requirements, distribution requirements, the diversity and the quantitative requirement.)

## Dance Theatre Major 10-11\* Required credits :

- 6 Dance: Workshop in Modern Dance, Dance Technique II, Dance Technique III, Advanced Studio Topics, Dance History, Composition/Choreography
- 3 Theatre: Intro to Technical Theatre, Theories of Performance *OR* Elements of Design, Beginning Acting *OR* Movement
- 1 Practicum (any combination of DANC225, 345 for .25 or .50 credit)

\* Plus a Capstone/Sr. Project, which may be taken for credit on campus—a research paper, production work on a main season show, an independent project, etc—or may be fulfilled by some other experience, such as NYArts Program.

Dance Electives: Dance Composition/Choreography II, Adv. Studio Topics, Advanced Dance Projects, or any theatre course, such as Tech Topics (Sound, Costume, Lights, etc)

### General Guidelines for the Dance Theatre Major:

--All freshmen who want to major in Dance Theatre should take Workshop in Modern Dance and Intro to Technical Theatre in Year 1, plus one other Dance course. (Or at the latest in Year 2)

--Dance History is generally taught every other year. Most other DANC are taught once a year.

### **DANCE THEATRE MAJOR:** Suggested plan for students on campus all eight semesters.

	FALL	SPRING
Year 1	*Wrkshp in Modern Dance (or spring) OWU REQ: Language Course OWU REQ: ENG 105 (or spring) OWU REQ * Dance Practicum (Credits equal to one full unit; may be taken in any semester)	* Intro to Technical Theatre OWU REQ: Language Course *Dance Technique II (or Yr 2) OWU REQ
Year 2	* Composition/Choreography (or Yr 3) *Adv. Studio Topics (or Yr 3) OWU REQ OWU REQ	* Dance History (or Yr 3) OWU REQ OWU REQ OWU REQ
Year 3	* Movement <i>or</i> Beginning Acting OWU REQ OWU REQ OWU REQ	*DanceTechnique III (or Yr 4) OWU REQ OWU REQ Dance Elective (or +)
Year 4	*Elements of Design <b>--OR--</b> OWU REQ OWU REQ OWU REQ * Capstone/Sr. Project Credit (or Spr)	Theories of Performance Dance Elective (or +) OWU REQ OWU REQ