Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania – Curriculum Guide
Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance
Concentration in Performance and Choreography

The BFA will provide excellent dance education and advanced training in teaching, performance, and choreography, along with elective areas of focus in business administration and dance technology. This innovative professional program will prepare dance majors at SRU for diverse professional performance and choreography opportunities in entertainment and concert dance, private studio and business ownership, and administrative careers in the field.

LIBERAL STUDIES REQUIREMENTS (40 credits)
See Liberal Studies Guide for Goal and Enrichment choices

GOAL COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Complete Goal requirements as indicated below (34 credits)

Basic Requirements (9 credits)
- ENGL 102 Critical Writing
- ENGL 104 or ENGL 220 Critical Reading or Intro to Literary and Cultural Studies
- COMM 200 Public Speaking

The Arts (3 credits)
- Goals
- Global Community (9 credits)
  - Goal – Non-US
  - Goal – US

Human Institutions/Interpersonal Relationships (3 credits)
- Goals

Science, Technology & Math (7 credits)
- Goal – Sci
- Lab – Sci
- Goal – Math

Challenges of the Modern Age (3 credits)
- Goals

ENRICHMENT COURSE REQUIREMENTS
Choose one course from two of the following Enrichment areas. (6 credits)

The Arts

Global Community

Human Institutions/Interpersonal Relationships

Science, Technology & Math

COMPUTER COMPETENCY
Students must demonstrate “computer competency” by:

- Passed Exam
- Complete one of the following courses: CPSC 100, 110, 130, or PE 202 at SRU or another post-secondary institution

OTHER BASIC REQUIREMENTS
Check with your advisor or a current degree audit report to see if you have been exempted from this course. The credit earned in this course will not be counted toward the 120 credit hour minimum needed to earn a degree.

- ACSD 110 Beginning Algebra

IMPORTANT CURRICULUM GUIDE NOTES
This Curriculum Guide is provided to help SRU students and prospective students better understand their intended major curriculum. Enrolled SRU students should note that the My Rock Audit may place already-earned and/or in progress courses in different, yet valid, curriculum categories. Enrolled SRU students should use the My Rock Audit Report and materials and information provided by their faculty advisors to ensure accurate progress towards degree completion. The information on this guide is current as of the date below. Students are responsible for curriculum requirements at the time of enrollment at the University.

- Course may have a prerequisite. See Undergraduate Online Catalog.
- Course counts for 50% of Major and Major GPA
- PASSHE – Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Institutions

*Demonstrated achievement of technical proficiency in dance technique courses will be determined by performance-based assessment of candidates for the BFA Degree in Dance from Slippery Rock University by dance technique faculty.

MAJOR/CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENTS
(80 credits)
- 40 major credits must be taken at SRU or PASSHE
- 40 major credits must be taken at the 300 level or above

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| Dance Core (50 credits)
- DANC 100^ Introduction to Dance
- DANC 101^ Wellness for Dancers
- DANC 199^ LMA/Performance Techniques
- DANC 200^ Dance Composition I
- DANC 216^ Principles of Dance Production
- DANC 223^ Creative Dance for Children
- DANC 224^ Improvisation
- DANC 298^ Selected Topics-World Dance Forms
- DANC 300^ Dance Competition II
- DANC 323^ Teaching of Dance
- DANC 324^ Music for Dance
- DANC 326^ Dance Kinesiology
- DANC 350^ Field Experience in Dance Technique
- DANC 419^ Dance History II (Twentieth and Twenty-first Centuries)
- DANC 420^ Modern Dance Technique: Level IV
- DANC 422^ Contemporary Partnering
- DANC 425^ Senior Synthesis
- DANC 426^ Modern Dance Technique: Level V
- DANC 428^ Modern Dance Technique: Level VI
- DANC 450^ Internship or Independent Study or Workshop
- DANC 490^ Dance Repertory
- DANC 495^ Experimental Course

- Advanced Technique Proficiency (4 credits)
- DANC 421^ Ballet IV
- DANC 422^ Jazz IV

- Dance Technology, Wellness, Social and Historical Electives (6 credits)
- Choose two of the following: one must be DANC 305 or 318
- DANC 271^ Dance Technology
- DANC 305^ Society and Social Dance
- DANC 318^ Dance History I: Through the 19th Century
- DANC 390^ Experimental Course

- Dance Performance and Choreography Electives
- Choose up to 20 credits from any combination of courses.
- DANC 220, 320, 420, 426, 429 Modern II-VI
- DANC 221, 321, 421 Repeatable up to 6 credits per course
- DANC 222, 322, 422 Jazz II-V
- DANC 271, 305, 318 Dance Technology, Society and Social Dance, or Dance History I
- DANC 299, 499 Rehearsal and Performance Repeatable up to 3 credits per course
- DANC 399 Repertory Repeatable up to 6 credits

NOTE: All BFA-Performance/Choreography students are encouraged to take INDP 220 Intro to Non-Profit Leadership; BIOL 216 Anatomy & Physiology I/II as Liberal Studies courses.

GPA REQUIREMENTS
- 3.0 or higher Major GPA
- 2.7 or higher Overall GPA
DANCE THEORY AND PRACTICE: All BFA students must be enrolled in a minimum of one technique class a day each semester. Competency based assessment will be used to determine the synthesis of knowledge, physical and performance abilities (technique) and level of proficiency. The application and synthesis of practice and theory competencies are required for employment in the dance field. The rigor of the assessments developed by dance technique faculty allows the department to meet NASD standards in Performance. Students accepted into the BFA degree in Dance program at Slippery Rock University must demonstrate technical proficiency requirements as indicated below:

- MODERN DANCE (LEVEL VI Proficiency Required)
- BALLET and JAZZ (LEVEL IV Proficiency Required)

Please note: All BFA-Performance and Choreography students must reach at least a minimum of Level IV in Ballet and Jazz, and level VI in modern dance.