

## **DANCE MINORS INFORMATION**

*Dancing is the loftiest, the most moving, the most beautiful of the arts, because it is no mere translation or abstraction from life; it is life itself.*

*Havelock Ellis*

### ***What is the goal of the Dance Minor program?***

To encourage original and exciting student choreographic work. The modern history course provides a context for understanding modern dance and the composition courses provide the tools to help students explore and experiment with their own movement ideas.

### ***What courses are required for the Dance Minor and when are they offered?***

Danc 220 - History of Modern Dance (Spring)

Danc 305 (Fall) and 306 (Spring) - Dance Composition

Danc 401 - Group Choreography (Fall)

Danc 406 - Independent Projects in Dance (Spring)

4 credits in Modern III and/or Modern IV (Fall and Spring)

Elective credits as needed for a minimum of 22 credits of dance courses to complete the minor

### ***What order should these courses be taken in?***

Danc 305 is the first in the choreography sequence of 305-306-315-406. The latest this sequence can be started is Fall of the junior year. Danc 220 and modern technique can be taken at any time.

### ***Are both Modern III and Modern IV required?***

No, 4 credits from either level is fine.

### ***Who are the advisors for the Dance Minor?***

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### ***How do I declare a dance minor?***

When you have registered for the last course you need to complete the minor, fill out the declaration form and bring it to a dance faculty member to copy and sign. When you deliver the form to the Registrar, they will enter the information in your permanent record.

### ***I'm a double major. Can I do the Dance Minor even though I won't be able to formally declare the minor?***

Yes!

### ***I'm not sure if I want to minor in Dance. Can I enroll in Dance History (220) and Composition (305) to find out if this is right for me?***

Yes!