

DANCE, AN OPTION TO THE ASSOCIATE IN ARTS IN PERFORMING ARTS

Program Description

Students interested in dance can complete the first two years of courses and gain performance experience which will prepare them to transfer to a baccalaureate program and pursue a career in dance. The focus of the program is on artistic development and technical training. The curriculum is designed to promote students' development of their academic and artistic potential. Students will gain experience in dance production and onstage performance through participation in Ocean County College dance concerts.

Transfer Information

Students pursuing the Performing Arts degree can transfer into majors such as music, dance, acting, and music/theater production & design. Admission for these majors is often competitive and usually requires an audition and testing of fundamental knowledge of theory. Students are encouraged to work closely with OCC faculty and Advising Transfer Services. Students planning to transfer to a four-year institution in NJ can explore the "Transfer Programs" feature on NJ Transfer www.njtransfer.org (<http://www.njtransfer.org>).

Career Information

The Associate of Arts and the Associate of Science Degrees are designed to provide students with the coursework needed to transfer to a four-year institution and pursue a bachelor's degree. The curriculum provides students the knowledge and skills needed to pursue various career pathways, while providing a credential beyond the high school degree. Students are strongly encouraged to consult with OCC faculty and Career Services as they begin to explore career options. Students can also utilize Career Coach, a resource provided by OCC, to explore degree programs and corresponding careers <https://ocean.emsicc.com/>

Students are encouraged to keep track of degree requirements by using the "My Progress" screen on Student Planning. Student Planning can be accessed via logging into Ocean Connect.

Program Requirements

First Semester		Credit Hours
ENGL 151	English I	3
DANC 130	Ballet I	2
DANC 145	Dance Appreciation	3
Social Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#social)		3
STSC 150	Student Success Seminar	2
Credit Hours		13
Second Semester		
ENGL 152	English II	3
Mathematics Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#math) ¹		3
DANC 120	Modern Dance I	2
DANC 150	Jazz Dance	2
COMM 154	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3

History Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#history)		3
Credit Hours		16
Third Semester		
DANC 131	Ballet II	2
History Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#history)		3
Humanities Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#humanities)		3
Lab Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#lab) ¹		4
Social Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#social)		3
Credit Hours		15
Fourth Semester		
DANC 121	Modern Dance II	2
Select from the following:		2
DANC 241	Dance Repertory I	
DANC 242	Dance Repertory II	
DANC 243	Dance Repertory III	
DANC 244	Dance Repertory IV	
Mathematics or Lab Science Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#math) ¹		3-4
Diversity Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#diversity)		3
Humanities Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#humanities)		3
Technology Gen. Ed. Requirement (https://catalog.ocean.edu/graduation-requirements-degree/approved-general-education-courses/#tech) ¹		3
Elective to meet 60 credits		0-1
Credit Hours		16-18
Total Credit Hours		60-62

¹ Students must select one math course, one lab science course, and one technology course and complete the 12 credit requirement with any additional math or science course from the list of Approved General Education Courses. Students may attempt to "test out" of the technology requirement. If they succeed, they must take an additional course in math or science from the List of Approved General Education Courses.