

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS DNCE 247 Personal Movement Vocabulary Fall 2018

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Office Hours	By appointment
Day(s),time(s) and	KN A117 Auxiliary Gym
location of Class	Tuesdays and Thursdays 14:00-15:50
Out of class	Attendance to a Fluid Festival performance to be determined and discussed in class
activities	is required, as a descriptive writing assignment will be based on the performance.  The student is responsible for obtaining a ticket, keeping the stub to annex to their paper and attending the performance.  http://springboardperformance.com/fluidfest/
Learning resources:	Peggy Hackney. Making Connections.
required readings,	Liz Lerman. Critical Response Process.
textbooks and	Twyla Tharp. The Creative Habit
materials	
Prerequisites	Admission to the Dance Major.
Supplementary fees	None.
Course description	Introduction to the creative process, focusing on the identification and
	conceptualization of personal movement preferences.
Course learning	By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:
outcomes	1. Communicate with and recognize a basic vocabulary of terms common to dance
	creation, movement analysis and dance composition.
	2. Utilize basic observation skills specific to viewing dances and the ability to articulate what they are seeing.
	3. Apply acquired tools towards a creative process.
	4. Identify and describe their own movement preferences, and understand how
	these preferences developed in the course of their dance training.
	5. Situate given choreographic works within a broad perspective on theatrical
	dance.
Course schedule	This course will include individual movement exploration and short studies, group
	improvisational activities, observation of both live and video compositions
	followed by discussion or writing using critical response and movement analysis,
	as well as reflective writing.
	The Laban/Bartenieff system of movement analysis will serve as a base to identify
	and create new movement patterns for observation.
	The Liz Lerman's critical response process will guide the work on perspective.
	The student is required to bring a course-dedicated notebook to each class for
	note-taking and journaling purposes.
	There will be four assignments during the term: two movement studies, and two
	movement analyses in writing, each worth 15%. Time will be allotted in class to
	work on and respond to part of these assignments.
	A vocabulary exam covering terms related to the creative process, movement
	analysis and critical response will be administered halfway through the term.
	Quality of participation will be assessed as part of the grade. Presence in class
	alone does not satisfy this requirement for participation and commitment to class

## work. Through your active participation, spoken and written observations and assignments, you will have the opportunity to grow in your understanding of the course content. Your progress in this course, and with this material, will depend very much on the amount of effort and the quality of the contribution that you make. Focus, concentration and attention to all aspects of the work will be considered in assessing your class work.

### Assessment components

Assignments and deadlines will be also be discussed in class and posted on D2L under ASSIGNMENTS, in more details.

**Assignment 1:** *I Move: a short solo* 

Value: 10%-Pass or Fail.

Due Date: Thursday September 25 2018

Type: Movement study

Description: Demonstrating the student's own movement tendencies in a 2.5

minute solo, with special attention to Laban's Effort modality

**Assignment 2:** Response to Partner's "I Move" Solo

Value: 15%-

Due Date: October 11 2018

Type: Written

Description: 500-word response to a partner's *I Move* solo, following Liz Lerman's critical response parameters and including considerations for Laban's Effort and

Space modalities.

**Assignment 3**: Response to Fluid Festival

Value: 10%

Due: November 1 2018

Type: Written

Description: 500-word response to designated Fluid Festival performance, following Liz Lerman's critical response parameters and including movement

description with special attention to Bartenieff. Fundamentals.

#### **Mid-Term Exam:**

Value: 25%

Due Date: November 8 2018

Details: Multiple Choice and Free Response

**Assignment 4**: Solo: I move differently

Value: 10%

Due Date: November 27 2018

Type: Movement Study

Description: 2.5 minute solo aiming to integrate Laban and Bartenieff components to movement that appear counter-instinctive to the student's own movement

tendencies, as individually identified throughout the course.

**Assignment 5:** Comparative response to *I Move* and *I Move Differently* 

Value: 15%

Due Date: December 6 2018

Type: Written

Description: 500-word reflection comparing the student's own experience in Assignment 1 and Assignment 4, using the parameters and vocabulary acquired

during the course.

**Ongoing:** In Class Participation and Journaling Effort

Value: 15%

Description: Cumulative class-per-class assessment of student's engagement with
the material.

## Assessment expectations

#### **Guidelines for Submitting Assignments**

Due to the experiential nature of the course, assignments are built into classes. Therefore, classes missed will be detrimental to your final grade. Refer to Expectations for Attendance and Participation below for full details. Written Assignments must be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:mariefrance.forcier@ucalgary.ca">mariefrance.forcier@ucalgary.ca</a>, with your last name and the assignment number indicated in the title field.

#### Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass

To reach the passing grade, the student must complete all assignments, and participate in class activities with respect for their peers, instructor and own practice. This involves making an effort to keep an open mind, and demonstrating satisfactory progress in their understanding and application of the course's material over the length of the term.

#### **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.

#### **Guidelines for Formatting Assignments**

Given the movement studies' varying nature in this course, guidelines for formatting will be discussed in class and posted on the D2L.

Written assignments should be formatted on Word Processor with 1-inch margins, 12-point Times New Roman font and double-spaced. On the top left corner of the assignment's first page and indented to the left, the student's name, should appear, in declining order, above the course's instructor's name, the course's title and number, and the date, all single-spaced. When saving your assignment as a .doc, label your document with your last name and assignment number.

#### **Late Assignments**

Late written assignments will be subject to a 10% per-day-past-deadline penalty. Late choreographic assignments will be discussed on a case-by-case basis between the student and the instructor.

#### **Expectations for Attendance and Participation:**

Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.3 Attendance for details.

#### FOR GRADED DANCE STUDIO COURSES

- A significant part of your grade is based on participation. Participation means not only showing up for class, but also attending to the material at hand with effort and engagement.
- With regard to participation, classes are considered equivalent to assignments. Thus, more than 1, 2, or 3 (fill in based on how many times the class meets per week) absences per term will have an adverse effect on your final grade.
- If you miss more than one week of classes, your final grade will begin to drop by as much as 10% per missed class.
- If you miss more than two weeks of classes, you have the potential to fail the course.

- If you show up late for or leave early from class, this will be counted as half an absence.
- If for some reason you are feeling unwell during class time, a substitute form 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.
- Students are responsible for any and all material missed during an absence.
- If you sustain a significant injury during the term that will impact your participation for longer than a week's worth of classes and if this injury is verified by a medical practitioner's note, your case will be submitted to the Dance Division Committee to address your situation.

#### Grading scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section F.1.1 Undergraduate Grading System of the Undergraduate Calendar for 2018-2019:

Grade	Grad e Point Valu e	Description
A+	4.0 0	Outstanding performance
A	4.0 0	Excellent performance
A-	3.7 0	Approaching excellent performance
B+	3.3 0	Exceeding good performance
В	3.0 0	Good performance
B-	2.7 0	Approaching good performance
C+	2.3 0	Exceeding satisfactory performance
С	2.0 0	Satisfactory performance
C-	1.7 0	Approaching satisfactory performance.
*D+	1.3 0	Marginal pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject
*D	1.0 0	Minimal Pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.
F	0.0	Failure. Did not meet course requirements. Several Faculties utilize an F grade that does not carry weight in calculating the grade point average. This will be noted in the calendar description as "Not Included in GPA" where applicable.
**I	0.0 0	Incomplete. Sufficient work has not been submitted for evaluation, unable to adequately assess. May also be used when a final exam is not submitted.
CR		Completed Requirements Carries no weight in calculating the grade point

	average. This will be noted in the calendar description as "Not Included in
	GPA" where applicable
	Notes:
	A grade of "C-" or below may not be sufficient for promotion or graduation, see specific
	faculty regulations.
	The number of "D" and "D+" grades acceptable for credit is subject to specific undergraduate featility promotional policy.
	<ul><li>undergraduate faculty promotional policy.</li><li>(DANCE) The following numerical rubric will be applied:</li></ul>
	A+ 97.6-100 A 92.6-97.5 A- 90-92.5
	B+ 87.6-89.9 B 82.6-87.5 B- 80-82.5
	C+ 77.6-79.9 C 72.6-77.5 C- 70-72.5
	D+ 67.6-69.9 D 62.6-67.5 F 0-62.5
Important Term Dates	Fall 2018
P	Thursday, September 6 <sup>th</sup> to Friday December 7 <sup>th</sup> 2018
	Reading Week: November 11-17
	Last day to drop a course: Thursday September 13th
	Last day to add a course: Friday, September 14 <sup>th</sup> Tuition and fee payment deadline: Friday, September 21 <sup>st</sup>
	Winter 2019
	Thursday, January 10 <sup>th</sup> to Friday April 12 <sup>th</sup> 2019
	Reading Week: February 17-23
	Last day to drop a course: Thursday January 17 <sup>th</sup>
	Last day to add a course: Friday, January 18 <sup>th</sup> Tuition and fee payment deadline: Friday, January 25 <sup>th</sup>
Midterm and final	Final examinations may be scheduled at any time during the <b>examination period</b>
examination	(December 10-20 for Fall 2018; Apr. 15-27 for Winter 2019); students should therefore
scheduling	avoid making prior travel, employment, or other commitments for this period. If a student
6	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. <u>ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final</u>
	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-6.html ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-7.html
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	accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and
	accommodations for students with disabilities,
	visit <u>ucalgary.ca/access/accommodations/policy</u> . 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 <u>ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy.pdf</u>
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  (wedgery on (pubs /calendar/gurrent /k 2 html), yealgary on (pubs /calendar/gurrent /k
	(ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-3.html; ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-5.html) 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.
Internet and	elearn.ucalgary.ca/category/d2l/
electronic communication device	<u>ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/emergency-instructions/uc-emergency-app</u> The in-class use of computers may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and other
communication 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. For more information on Freedom of Information and Privacy visit: <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/legalservices/foip">ucalgary.ca/legalservices/foip</a>
Copyright	It is the responsibility of students and professors to ensure that materials they post or
17 0	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
C. 1	Copyright Office web page ( <u>library.ucalgary.ca/copyright</u> ).
Students' union and ombudsperson	Student Union: <a href="mailto:su.ucalgary.ca/about/who-we-are/elected-officials/">su.ucalgary.ca/about/who-we-are/elected-officials/</a> Faculty of Arts reps: <a href="mailto:arts1@su.ucalgary.ca">arts1@su.ucalgary.ca</a> ;

	venue and could result in the revoking of CYS privileges.
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	Languages, Linguistics, Literatures & Cultures   Libraries & Cultural Resources, University of Calgary
	Ph: 403.220.6777, Email: mstoeckle@ucalgary.ca, Office: TFDL 160D
Faculty of Arts	For academic advising, visit the Arts Students' Centre (ASC) for answers about graduation
program advising and student information	checks, and the 'big picture' questions. Drop in at SS102, email at <u>ascarts@ucalgary.ca</u> or call at 403-220-3580.
resources	For academic success support, such as writing, learning and peer support, visit the Student
	Success Centre on the third floor of the Taylor Family Digital Library (TFDL), email them at success@ucalgary.ca.
	For enrolment assistance, including registration (add/drop/swap) changes, paying fees, and navigating your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625], or visit them at the MacKimmie Block 117.
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.
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.
Undergraduate	DUS: Drama Undergraduate Society, CHC 005 <u>uofcdus@gmail.com</u>
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