

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

DNCE 333: Creative Process II Solo Forms Fall 2021

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location of Class	KNA 163 Dance Studio
Learning resources:	Posted on D2L
required readings,	
textbooks and materials	
Learning Technologies	There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other
and Requirements	relevant class resources and materials (see d2L.ucalgary.ca).
	In order to successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of
	Calgary, students taking online, remote and blended courses are required to have
	reliable access to the following technology:
	A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest
	security, and malware updates;
	A current and updated web browser;
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	Webcam (built-in or external);
	Microphone and speaker (built-in or external) or headset with
	microphone;
	 Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled;
	Broadband internet connection.
	Most current laptops will have a built-in webcam, speaker and microphone.
Prerequisites	DNCE 331
Course description	A practical application of contemporary models of dance-making with a focus on
	articulating individualized movement language in the solo form.
Course learning	By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:
outcomes	1. Engage in an ongoing investigative process to create and develop a unique and
	personal movement vocabulary at a beginning/intermediate level
	2. Engage in focused personal research to deepen/develop the core inspiration for
	their solo works
	3. Identify and develop potent source material for solo work
	4. Engage in an effective revisions and selection process
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	5. Recognize varied strategies for structuring solo work at a beginning
	intermediate level, and articulate the choices and strategies utilized in their dance
	making process.
	6. Demonstrate evolving observation skills to provide beginning level feedback and
	evaluation of peer works for editing and improvement purposes, as well as to
	critically respond to and develop their own works.
	7. Experience the dance making process from inspiration to performance

Course schedule

Assessment components

- 1) The majority of your grade (55%) will be based on your ongoing compositional assignments. Details for these will be given in class. You will present these assignments every other week with frequent in-class showings of your progress. These assignments will explore space, time, dynamics, rhythm, and varied strategies for shaping your compositions. Studies should show a growing understanding of movement language invention and development and demonstrate consideration of feedback from your peers and instructor. I expect a clear demonstration of thoughtful work conducted outside of class. Part of your grade in this area is based on your midterm project (10%), draft of final project (10%) and your final project (20%). These projects involve creating a solo dance piece. These solo pieces (3-4 minutes for the midterm and 5-6 minutes for the final) will be explained in depth during the term. Each project should be ready for performance.
- **2**) A **significant part of your grade (30%)** will be based on your class participation. I expect full participation in all aspects of classwork (class discussions, as well as posted discussions). Note: some of the class times/days may be designated as labs for you to work on the assignments given in class. This does not mean these are optional. As instructor I will be present on these days to take attendance, answer questions, and offer suggestions.
- **3)** This course also includes **3 responses on D2L discussion boards (15%)**. Two are short 250-word responses and one is a 500-word response. The short responses will be on topics introduced in class. The longer will be discussed in class and posted on D2L by November 24. This final response (500 words) will be due on the last day of class and will be a response to your final project. All due dates will be posted on D2L.

Assignment 1:

Type: Choreographic and Performative

Description: Movement material based on "The Impulse to Move" 30/45 sec.

Weight: 5%

Due Date: September 22

Assignment 2:

Type: Choreographic and Performative

Description: 1st short choreography based on "The Impulse to Move" 1min.

Weight: 5%

Due Date: October 6

October 11th is a holiday. No class.

Assignment 3:

Type: Choreographic and Performative

Description: 2nd choreography based on "Assignment #2" 2min.

Weight: 5%

Due Date: October 20

Assignment 4:

Type: Choreographic and Performative

Description: Completed choreography based on "Assignment #3" 3-4 min.

Weight: Mid Term 10% Due Date: **November 3**rd

Week of November 15 and 17 Guest Artist

Assignment 5:

Type: Choreographic and Performative

Description: New Ideas or New Takes on Old Ideas (material)

Weight: DRAFT of Final Project 10%

Due Date: November 24

Assignment 6:

Type: Choreographic and Performative

Description: Completed choreography 4-6 minutes.

Weight: Final Project 20%

Due Date: December 6th and 8th

Assignment 8: Type: Written

Description: Two are short 250-word responses (due through the term) and one is a 500-word response due *not before the end of the term*. The short responses will be on topics introduced in class. The longer will be discussed in class by November 24th.

Weight: 15%

Due Date: December 9, 2021

Assessment expectations

Guidelines for Submitting Assignments:

On D2L, through discussion board or dropbox

Performative and choreographic assignments presented in person, in class

Missed or Late Assignments:

Late assignments are subject to a 10% penalty per day that passes deadline For in class assignments, !0% per class missed

Attendance and Participation Expectations:

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 2 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.

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.

Grading scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in section F.1.Grading System and Transcripts of the Calendar: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1.html.

- 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 faculty promotional policy.

Guidelines for Zoom Sessions

Zoom is a video conferencing program that will allow us to meet at specific times for a "live" video conference, so that we can have the opportunity to meet each other virtually and discuss relevant course topics as a learning community.

To help ensure Zoom sessions are private, do not share the Zoom link or password with others, or on any social media platforms. Zoom links and passwords are only intended for students registered in the course. Zoom recordings and materials presented in Zoom, including any teaching materials, must not be shared, distributed or published without the instructor's permission.

The use of video conferencing programs relies on participants to act ethically, honestly and with integrity; and in accordance with the principles of fairness, good faith, and respect (as per the Code of Conduct). When entering Zoom or other video conferencing sessions (such as MS Teams), you play a role in helping create an effective, safe and respectful learning environment. Please be mindful of how your behaviour in these sessions may affect others. Participants are required to use names officially associated with their UCID (legal or preferred names listed in the Student Centre) when engaging in these activities. Instructors/moderators can remove those whose names do not appear on class rosters. Non-compliance may be investigated under relevant University of Calgary conduct policies (e.g. Student Non-Academic Misconduct Policy). If participants have difficulties complying with this requirement, they should email the instructor of the class explaining why, so the instructor may consider whether to grant an exception, and on what terms. For more information on how to get the most out of your zoom sessions visit: https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/guidelines-for-zoom/.

If you are unable to attend a Zoom session, please contact your instructor to arrange an alternative activity for the missed session (e.g., to review a recorded session). Please be prepared, as best as you are able, to join class in a quiet space that will allow you to be fully present and engaged in Zoom sessions. Students will be advised by their instructor when they are expected to turn on their webcam (for group work, presentations, etc.).

	The instructor may record online Zoom class sessions for the purposes of supporting student learning in this class – such as making the recording available for review of the session or for students who miss a session. Students will be advised before the instructor initiates a recording of a Zoom session. These recordings will be used to support student learning only and will not be shared or used for any other purpose.
Academic Accommodation	It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The Student Accommodations policy is available at https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations .
	Students needing an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services (SAS) in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities (https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-
	<u>Disabilities-Procedure.pdf</u>). Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfill requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability
	should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor. SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/ .
Academic integrity, plagiarism	Academic Misconduct refers to student behavior which compromises proper assessment of a student's academic activities and includes: cheating; fabrication; falsification; plagiarism; unauthorized assistance; failure to comply with an instructor's expectations regarding conduct required of students completing academic assessments in their courses; and failure to comply with exam regulations applied by the Registrar.
	For information on the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedure please visit: https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Academic-Misconduct-Procedure.pdf . Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website at https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity .
Internet and electronic communication device	The use of laptop and mobile devices is acceptable when used in a manner appropriate to the course and classroom activities. Please refrain from accessing websites and resources that may be distracting to you or for other learners during class time. Students are responsible for being aware of the University's Internet and email use policy, which can be found at https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Electronic-Resources-and-Information-Policy.pdf .
Intellectual Property	Course materials created by instructors (including presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the instructor. These materials may NOT be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit consent of the instructor. The posting of course materials to third party websites such as note-sharing sites without permission is prohibited. Sharing of extracts of these course materials with other students enrolled in the course at the same time may be allowed under fair dealing.
Copyright	All students are required to read the University of Calgary policy on Acceptable Use of Material Protected by Copyright (https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Material-Protected-by-Copyright-Policy.pdf) and requirements of the copyright act (https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html) to ensure they are aware of the consequences of unauthorised sharing of course materials (including instructor notes, electronic versions of textbooks etc.). Students who use material protected by copyright in violation of this
	policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html .

Freedom of Information and	Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom
Protection of Privacy	practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty.
	Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by
	the faculty at the University of Calgary.
Student Support	Please visit this link for important information on UCalgary's student wellness and safety
	resources: https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines