

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

## SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS DNCE 391: Dance and the Camera

Session: Winter 2023

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Learning resources: required readings, textbooks and materials	Materials: Personal external Hard Drive (Mac compatible), SD card 32G, headphones Text: Selected Readings posted on D2L Video: Selected posted on D2L
Learning Technologies and Requirements	There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other 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;  • 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 333 or consent of the Division Lead, Dance.
Course description	An introduction to making dances for the camera; incorporating composing dance for the frame, basic camera skills, story board organization, and basic editing skills, as well as viewing and analysis of dances on film and video.

#### Course learning Students will be evaluated on the degree to which they meet the course outcomes objectives and their completion of the course requirements. By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to: 1) Work with elementary skill in the use of digital cameras (especially DSLR video) to capture (existing) dance as both an archival record and a stand-alone artistic product. 2) Work with elementary to intermediate skill in creating movement and capturing its essence for the camera. **3)** Compose and choreograph for the frame (camera). **4)** Work with elementary to intermediate skill with video editing software (specifically Final Cut ProX). **5)** Utilize video editing as an artistic tool. **6)** Work with external audio at an elementary level and use it in a project. 7) Create and utilize a storyboard and shot list. 8) Understand the camera as an interpreter of dance choreography and its use as a tool for artistic expression. Course schedule Information and details will be listed on D2L.

### Assessment components

#### **CLASS WORK - 35%**

Use of equipment and software, active participation and insights in discussion, references to viewed works and readings in discussions, overall contributions to class, timely completion of:

- 1) **ASSIGNMENT 1-4** "Exploration"
- Assignment 1: Exploration 1: due January 17
- Assignment 2: Exploration 2: due January 24
- Assignment 3: Exploration 3: due January 31
- Assignment 4: Exploration 4: due Feb 7
- \* Assignment details and rubric for assignments 1-4 posted on D2L)
- 2) **ASSIGNMENT 5:** Reading and Viewing
  - \* Posted on D2L, Due: Mar. 5 and Apr. 4 (for discussion)
- 3) **PROJECT 1 20%**

\*Assignment details and rubric for assessment posted on D2L - Due: Feb. 21

- 4) Production Plan and Storyboard for Project 2 10%
- \*Assignment details and rubric for assessment posted on D2L Due: Mar. 7th)
- 5) Test, Written, In class 10%
  - \*The test will be based on in-class lecture material, as well as reading and viewing assignments. Due: March 30th)
- 6) **PROJECT 2** (including revised production plan) 25%
- \*Assignment details and rubric for assessment posted on D2L Due: April 4th

## Assessment expectations

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

Scores should be submitted in dropbox.

#### Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass

A passing grade on all course assignments must be achieved.

#### **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**

Formatting for scores posted on D2L.

#### Late Assignments

Students are expected to submit assignments on or before the due dates specified above. A student should contact their instructors in the event that they are unable to complete assignments on time. Late assignments will carry a penalty of 5% the first day and 10% per day thereafter.

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

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

#### FOR GRADED 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.
- $\bullet$  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, 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 2022-2023:

#### Grade Description

A+ 4.00 - Outstanding performance

**A** 4.00 - Excellent performance

**A-** 3.70 - Approaching excellent performance

**B+** 3.30 - Exceeding good performance

**B** 3.00 - Good performance

**B-** 2.70 - Approaching good performance

**C+** 2.30 - Exceeding satisfactory performance

**C** 2.00 - Satisfactory performance

**C-** 1.70 - Approaching satisfactory performance.

**D+** 1.30 - Marginal pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject

- **D** 1.00 Minimal Pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.
- F 0.00 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 0.00 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.
- (DANCE) The following numerical rubric will be applied:

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A+ 97.6-100 A 92.6-97.5 A- 90-92.5
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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

#### Undergraduate: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.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.

#### **Graduate:** https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-2.html

 All grades of "C+" or lower are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements. Individual programs may require a higher passing grade.

#### 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 <a href="Code">Code of Conduct</a>). 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 <a href="Student Non-Academic Misconduct Policy">Student Non-Academic Misconduct Policy</a>). 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: <a href="https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/guidelines-for-zoom/">https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/guidelines-for-zoom/</a>.

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 <a href="https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations">https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academic-accommodations</a>. 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 (<a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-Disabilities-Procedure.pdf">https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-Disabilities-Procedure.pdf</a>).

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 <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/access/">www.ucalgary.ca/access/</a>.

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: <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Academic-Misconduct-Policy.pdf">https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Academic-Misconduct-Procedure.pdf</a> . Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website at <a href="https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity">https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity</a> .
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 <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Electronic-Resources-and-Information-Policy.pdf">https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Electronic-Resources-and-Information-Policy.pdf</a> .
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 ( <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Material-Protected-by-Copyright-Policy.pdf">https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Material-Protected-by-Copyright-Policy.pdf</a> ) and requirements of the copyright act ( <a href="https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html">https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/C-42/index.html</a> ) 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 <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html">https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html</a> .
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy	Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom 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: <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines">https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines</a>
Arts Students' Centre Program Advising:	Have a question but not sure where to start? The Arts Students' Centre is your information resource for everything in the Faculty of Arts. Call us at 403-220-3580 or email us at <a href="mailto:ascarts@ucalgary.ca">ascarts@ucalgary.ca</a> . You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at <a href="http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate">http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate</a> which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
Faculty of Graduate Studies:	For graduate studies email: <a href="mailto:graduate@ucalgary.ca">graduate@ucalgary.ca</a> or call 403 220 4938.  Visit the Faculty of Graduate Studies for more details: <a href="https://grad.ucalgary.ca/">https://grad.ucalgary.ca/</a>