

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS DNCE 431 Creative Process III: Choreography Fall 2016

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Office Hours	By Appointment
Day(s),time(s) and	Tuesday & Thursday: 10:00-11:50
location of Class	KN 163
Out of class activities	Attendance to Pro-Series: SplitScreen on September 23 or 24 is required, as a
Out of class activities	descriptive and reflective writing assignment will be based on the performance. The
	student is responsible for obtaining a ticket, keeping the stub to annex to her
	assignment, and attending the performance.
Learning resources:	Lynne Annne Bloom & L. Tarin Chaplin. <i>The intimate Act of Choreography</i> .
required readings,	Lytine Amine Bloom & L. Tarin Chapini. The intimute Act of Choreography.
textbooks and	
materials	
	Dance 333 and consent of the Division Chair, Dance.
Prerequisites	Antirequisite(s):Credit for Dance 431 and 430 will not be allowed.
Supplementary fees	None.
Course description	
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Course learning	statements, with an emphasis on the duet form.
Course learning	By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:
outcomes	1. Create and manipulate movement;
	2. Understand and use space efficiently;
	3. Implement structure;
	4. Establish a compositional arc;
	5. Set up relationship between bodies and between ideas to create meaning;
	6. Direct dancers clearly and responsibly;7. Plan and schedule rehearsals;
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Course sehedule	8. Receive, apply and provide constructive feedback.
Course schedule	Through choreographic assignments, the student will practice her compositional skills
	by revisiting the solo form, and exploring the duet form in-depth.
	In-progress choreographic assignment showings will occur on a periodical basis,
	immediately followed by class discussions where the students will train their ability to
	formulate critical responses.
	Viewing of live professional choreographic work between classes, followed by written
	assignments and/or discussions will contribute to developing the student's ability to
	articulate perceived artistic notions.
	Class work will involve the identification and development of the skills the student
	requires to best fulfill the choreographic assignments. The student will be required to
	practice these skills with her dancers between classes, and to bring movement materials to each class for discussion and further work. The student will therefore be
	expected to establish a creation/rehearsal schedule, and source out a suitable space
	for her group work between classes.
	The student is required to bring a course-dedicated notebook to each class for note-

taking and journaling purposes. The notebook may be collected at any point during the term to help assess the student's participation and progress.

Given the course's exceptionally early start time this term, it is unlikely that the student will have participated in a traditional morning technique class upon arrival, breeding the potential for injury. Therefore, a portion of the student's grade (5%) will be earned by performing an individual warm-up in KN163 before the start of each class, beginning no later than 9 50am.

Guest Artist

Brandy Leary: Tuesday, October 11

Assessment components

Assignment 1: Solo on An Other Dancer

Value: 15%

Due Date: September 29, 2016

Type: Choreographic

Description: Creation of a 5-minute solo on another dancer, on prescribed soundscape.

Assignment 2: Descriptive Reflection on SplitScreen

Value: 10%

Due Date: October 11, 2016

Type: Written

Description: 750 Word essay in response to Peggy Baker's SplitScreen.

Assignment 3: Co-Choreographed Duet

Value: 15%

Due Date: October 20, 2016

Type: Choreographic

Description: Co-creation of a 5-minute duet. The choreographers are the dancers of

their own piece.

Assignment 4: 500 Word Review of assigned sections of The Intimate Act of

Choreography Value: 10%

Due Date: November 8, 2016

Type: Written

Description: Review and critic of selected sections of the book.

Assignment 3: Short Duet on Two Dancers

Value: 15%

Due Date: November 15, 2016

Type: Choreographic

Description: Creation of a 3-to-4-minute duet on two dancers. The choreographer does

not dance in their piece.

Assignment 4: Long Duet on Two Dancers

Value: 15%

Due Date: December 6, 2016

Type: Choreographic

Description: Creation of a 5-6-minute duet on two dancers. The choreographer does

not dance in their piece.

Ongoing Assessment: Warm-Up

Value: 5%

Ongoing Assessment: Participation in Discussions,	Note Taking and Preparedness
Value: 15%	

Assessment expectations

Guidelines for Submitting Assignments

Due to the experiential nature of the course, choreographic 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

<u>mariefrance.forcier@ucalgary.ca</u>, 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 choreographic assignments' 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 <u>2</u> 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.2 Undergraduate Grading System of the Undergraduate Calendar for 2016-2017:

Grade	GPA	Description
A+	4.00	Outstanding.
Α	4.00	Excellent – superior performance, showing comprehensive
		understanding of subject matter.
A-	3.70	
B+	3.30	
В	3.00	Good – clearly above average performance with knowledge
		of subject matter generally complete.
B-	2.70	
C+	2.30	
С	2.00	Satisfactory – basic understanding of the subject matter.
C-	1.70	Receipt of a grade point average of 1.70 may not be
		sufficient for promotion or graduation. (See individual
		undergraduate faculty regulations.)
D+	1.30	
D	1.00	Minimal pass - marginal performance; generally insufficient
		preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.
F	0	Fail - unsatisfactory performance or failure to meet course
		requirements.

Grade Rubric Used:

A+ 96 and above

A 91-95

A- 86-90

B+ 81-85

B 76-80

B- 71-75

C+ 66-70

C+ 60-70

C- 56-60

D+ 51-55

D 46-50

F 0-45

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 to instructors. For additional information on support services and
	accommodations for students with disabilities, visit <u>ucalgary.ca/access/</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
A d i - i - k i k -	at <u>ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy_0.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 (<u>ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2.html</u>)
	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.
Student misconduct	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html
FOIP	<u>ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy</u>
Emergency evacuation	Assembly points for emergencies have been identified across campus. THE PRIMARY
	ASSEMBLY POINT FOR CRAIGIE HALL IS THE PROFESSIONAL FACULTIES FOOD COURT. For
	more information, see the University of Calgary's Emergency Management website:
	ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints
Internet and electronic	elearn.ucalgary.ca/category/d2l/
communication device	ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/emergency-instructions/uc-emergency-app
	The in-class use of computers may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and other
	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.
Safewalk	220-5333 anytime. ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk
Students' union and	Student Union: su.ucalgary.ca/about/who-we-are/elected-officials/
ombudsperson contacts	Faculty of Arts reps: arts1@su.ucalgary.ca; arts2@su.ucalgary.ca; arts3@su.ucalgary.ca;
·	arts4@su.ucalgary.ca
	Graduate Student's Association: ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/grad/current/graduate-students-
	association-gsa-grad.html
	Student Ombudsman: ucalgary.ca/ombuds/contact
Midterm and final	Final examinations may be scheduled at any time during the examination period (12-22
examination scheduling	December for Fall 2016 term; 15-26 April for Winter 2017 term); students should therefore
	avoid making prior travel, employment, or other commitments for this period. If a student 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
CAGING/ CEITH WOLK	any of these issues make it impossible for you to sit an exam or finish term work by stated
	deadlines. ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final
	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-6.html
	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-7.html

SCPA Claim Your Seat	1. The Claim Your Seat (CYS) program, funded by the Students' Union Quality Money, allows		
Program: Student Guidelines	all University of Calgary students to attend on-campus School of Creative and Performing		
Guidelilles	Arts (Dance, Drama and Music) events free of charge. 2. Depending on the performance, there is a limited number of seats available for CYS. There		
	is not a guarantee that tickets will be available for all CYS patrons for every performance, based on audience size, demand, etc.		
	3. CYS tickets are a privilege. If a student receives a ticket to attend a performance, it is expected that they will respect the value of the admission and attend the performance.		
	4. Process for students: On the date of the performance, from 45 minutes prior to 15		
	minutes prior to the performance start time, they arrive to the CYS table next to the Box		
	Office and show their Unicard. If students arrive after 15 minutes prior to the performance		
	start time, they can go to the Box Office and purchase a ticket at the student rate. Students		
	should not go to the Box Office unless they are purchasing a ticket.		
	5. If students have a course requirement to attend a performance for a specific date, access		
	to the tickets will be communicated by the instructor to University Theatre Services prior to		
	the event. The best guarantee for a free ticket is to arrive early, up to 45 minutes prior to		
	the performance start time.		
	6. Respect for the Front of House and theatre staff, performers and fellow patrons is an		
	absolute requirement. Failure to comply with this will lead to being asked to leave the		
	venue and could result in the revoking of CYS privileges.		
Academic standing	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f.html		
Campus security	220-5333. Help phones: located throughout campus, parking lots, and elevators. They connect		
Campus security	directly to Campus Security; in case of emergency, press the red button.		
Copyright	It is the responsibility of students and professors to ensure that materials they post or		
Copyright	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 Copyright Office		
	web page (library.ucalgary.ca/copyright).		
Faculty of Arts program	For academic advising, visit the Arts Students' Centre (ASC) for answers about course		
advising and student	registration, graduation checks, and the 'big picture' on programs and majors. Drop in at SS102,		
information resources	email at <u>ascarts@ucalgary.ca</u> or call at 403-220-3580. You can also visit the Faculty of Arts		
	website at arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate which has detailed information on common		
	academic concerns.		
	For academic success support, such as writing support, peer support, success seminars, and		
	learning support, visit the Student Success Centre on the third floor of the Taylor Family Digital		
	Library (TFDL), email them at success@ucalgary.ca or visit their website at ucalgary.ca/ssc/ for		
	more information or to book an appointment.		
	For enrolment assistance, including registration (add/drop/swap) changes, paying fees, and		
	navigating your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625], by email		
	at futurestudents@ucalgary.ca or visit them at the MacKimmie Block 117.		
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.		
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.		
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associations	DUS: Drama Undergraduate Society, CHC 005 <u>uofcdus@gmail.com</u> MUS: Music Undergraduate Society, CHF 219 <u>undmusic@ucalgary.ca</u>		