The dance minor is organized to merge course work in three core areas of the department. Students electing the minor will choose a minimum of two courses in each of these areas: process-oriented studies, studies in technique and physical practice, and conceptual studies, with the remainder of credit hours to be selected according to the student’s preferences. Through this integrated approach to studying the art of dance, the student completing the minor will emerge with a broad perspective of the field.

The dance minor consists of 25 credit hours of dance course work. Students must select a minimum of two distinct units of study from each of three separate strands of core course work, completing not more than five credit hours at the 100 level, and a minimum of 13 credit hours at or above the 300 level.

Core 1: Conceptual studies
Dance 161 (5), 2001 (5), 537 (5)

Core 2: Process-oriented studies
Dance 211.03 (2), 289.01 (1-5), 298 (3), 620 (3)

Core 3: Technique/physical practice
Dance 201.01-201.06 (1-5), 202.01-202.03 (1-5), 203.01-203.03 (1-5), 601.01-601.08 (1-5)

1 Only one of these two overview courses may be applied to the minor.
2 The typical pattern for these courses is two or three meetings per week, yielding two credit hours per course.

The remaining credit hours are selected from the core areas 2 and 3.

Additional courses
Dance 605 (3), 610 (3), 621 (3), 633 (5), 645 (3), 659 (3), 687.01 (5), 707 (2), 753 (3)

Application procedures
Students must formally apply for minor status in the department by filing a student profile sheet. Students are obliged to maintain an updated checklist of required and elective courses toward the minor, and file the Minor Program Form with their respective college/school offices according to graduation criteria.

Dance minor program guidelines

The following guidelines govern this minor.

Required for graduation  No

Credit hours required  A minimum of 25

Transfer credit hours allowed  A maximum of 10

Overlap with the GEC  Permitted

Overlap with the major  Not allowed and
• The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
• The same courses cannot count on the minor and on the major.

Overlap between minors  Each minor completed must contain 20 unique hours.

100-level course: For every five credit hours of 100-level course work on the minor, the minimum total required for the minor is increased by five.

Grades required
• Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
• Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
• Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.

Approval required  The minor program description sheet indicates if the minor course work must be approved by:
• The academic unit offering the minor

Filing the minor program form  The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor  Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:
• The academic unit offering the minor