

## FIRST YEAR

Choose 1	Communication
Choose 1	American History
Choose 1	Mathematics
Choose 1	DANC 33XX-43XX Required Dance
Choose 1	Technique Course: Modern or Ballet
Choose 1	DANC 33XX-43XX Additional
Choose 1	Dance Technique 1

## SECOND YEAR

Choose 1	Language, Philosophy & Culture
Choose 1	BIOL 2401
Choose 1	Anatomy and Physiology I
Choose 1	DANC 33XX-43XX Required Dance
Choose 1	Technique Course: Modern or Ballet
Choose 1	DANC 33XX-43XX Additional
Choose 1	Dance Technique 1
Choose 1	Music for Dancers
Choose 1	DANC 2303
Choose 1	Dance Performance DANC 2112 or 3112
Choose 1	Creative Arts
Choose 1	BIOL 2402
Choose 1	Anatomy and Physiology II
Choose 1	DANC 33XX-43XX Required Dance
Choose 1	Technique Course: Modern or Ballet
Choose 1	DANC 3302
Choose 1	Choreography II
Choose 1	DANC 3311
Choose 1	Dance Production
Choose 1	Government/Political Science
Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning

## THIRD YEAR

Choose 1	Government/Political Science
Choose 1	Social and Behavioral Sciences
Choose 1	DANC 3301
Choose 1	Choreography I
Choose 1	Dance History
Choose 1	DANC 3308
Choose 1	DANC 33XX - 43XX Additional
Choose 1	Dance Technique 1
Choose 1	DANC 3112
Choose 1	Dance Performance:
Choose 1	Dance Technique 3
Choose 1	DANC 3112
Choose 1	Government/Political Science
Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning

## FOURTH YEAR

Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning
Choose 1	DANC 3313
Choose 1	World Dance
Choose 1	DANC 3320
Choose 1	Dance Science
Choose 1	DANC 3121
Choose 1	Dance Science Lab
Choose 1	DANC 4302
Choose 1	Senior Project (Capstone)
Choose 1	DANC 32XX - 42XX Dance Technique 4
Choose 1	DANC 3112
Choose 1	Dance Performance:
Choose 1	Intermediate/Advanced
Choose 1	DANC 3312
Choose 1	Dance Philosophy and Criticism
Choose 1	DANC 4309
Choose 1	Dance Theory
Choose 1	DANC 32XX - 42XX Dance
Choose 1	Technique Adv. Elective
Choose 1	DANC 3112
Choose 1	Dance Performance:
Choose 1	Intermediate/Advanced
Choose 1	33XX-43XX
Choose 1	Restricted Electives- Liberal Arts/
Choose 1	Fine Arts Adv. Elective
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Choose 1	Fine Arts Adv. Elective

Courses in red are part of the General Education Core Curriculum (GEC).

“Choose 1” indicates course options. If options are not listed, please review the 2018-19 General Education Core or the degree plan for this major: [www.utrgv.edu/degreeplans](http://www.utrgv.edu/degreeplans).

### Degree Info

The Dance Program holds placement auditions for future technique courses. Entry auditions are required for acceptance into the BFA program.

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DANCE (BFA)

Catalog: 2018-19

COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

### Contact Info

Departmental Office  
Location: EHPE 2.115  
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### Additional Info

**Admission requirements**  
Official entry into Dance Program is through an interview process at the end of the required course, Introduction to Dance (DANC 1351), and a 2.50 core curriculum GPA.

**Progression requirements**  
For all technique courses, a minimum of one year required at each level and/or faculty approval to advance. Must have a grade of 'C' or better in all DANC courses.

**Graduation Requirements**  
To graduate, a minimum of 120 hours plus GPA's 2.5 or greater in Major, Minor & General Education; a ranking of Satisfactory or higher in Professional Portfolio.

# BLUEPRINT EXPERIENCES

## FIRST YEAR

## SECOND YEAR

## THIRD YEAR

## FOURTH YEAR AND BEYOND

## CAREERS

### MILESTONES

- UTRGV has a Writing Center and a Learning Center. Make it a point to visit them!
- Complete your core English classes (section 010) during your first year.
- Complete 30 credit hours every year in order to graduate in 4 years.
- Shoot for a GPA of 2.50.
- Take Mathematics in your first year.

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- Have you landed an internship or acquired research experience? This is the year to make it happen.

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- "I have a plan for after graduation." If this describes you, great! If not, visit your Faculty Advisor or Career Center!
- Register for your Capstone/senior/portfolio project: DANC 4302 Senior Project
- Complete at least 30 credit hours to graduate.
- Submit your application(s) for graduate school, an apprenticeship, or for fulltime employment.

### ADVICE & SUPPORT

- Meet with your academic advisor and bring your orientation folder with you to every session!
- Choose a major with confidence- Visit my.UTRGV.edu and check out MyMajors!
- Visit a faculty member during their office hours and ask a question about class.
- Classes fill up fast. When registration opens, be sure to register on the first day for your group.
- Cold or flu getting you down? We have Student Health Services on campus with free office visits.

- Want to explore different careers? Check out MyMajors!
- Come ready with course suggestions and questions when you visit your academic advisor.
- Visit the Communication Hauser Lab for help with your speeches.
- Trouble making your tuition payment? The Financial Aid Office can help. Payment plans and emergency loans are also available

- Seek out research opportunities within your major and join a professional organization such as American College Dance Association.
- Check DegreeWorks to make sure you are on track for graduation next year.
- Apply for internship and/or job shadowing opportunities. Discuss this with your advisor, faculty mentor, or Career Center.

- Discuss future plans with your faculty mentor or advisor that includes employment, finances, and other life goals.
- Apply for graduation one semester prior to your anticipated date. Visit the Academic Advising Center to ensure you are on track.

### APPLY WHAT YOU LEARN

- Look for a service-learning course! For guidance, visit Engaged Scholarship & Learning Office.
- Participate in a campus-sponsored community service project.
- Ask a student in class to study with you.

- To find undergraduate research opportunities, visit the Engaged Scholarship & Learning Office.
- Consider attending the LeaderShape Institute or attend the Engaged Scholar Symposium.

- Go show off your research, service-learning or creative works at the Engaged Scholar Symposium!
- Sharpen your writing skills! Visit the Writing Center or become the secretary for your organization.

- Continue to present research or creative works at the Engaged Scholar Symposium.
- Set up an informational interview with an individual (especially an alumnus) currently in the field you aspire to work in.

### GLOBAL, CAMPUS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- Set up your profile on the Engagement Zone through My.UTRGV.edu.
- Attend a diversity based campus or community event (e.g. MLK Day of Service).
- Attend a departmental program such as our Dance program.
- Join a student organization! Consider looking into our Dance website at utrgv.edu/dance or visit VLink (utrgv.edu/vlink) for options.

- Look at study abroad opportunities! Consider going to International Programs and Partnership.
- Check out a cultural campus or community event such as HESTEC or FESTIBA.
- Join another student organization. Perhaps visit our Dance website at utrgv.edu/dance or visit VLink for options.
- Check out a campus event that offers free lunch- bring a friend!

- Consider serving on a campus life/community committee or become a student leader and make a difference. Visit VLink or speak with your Student Government Association for more information!
- Travel the world! Look into study abroad opportunities at Office for International Programs & Partnerships.

- Identify employers of interest and seek them out at job fairs, online, at on-campus information sessions, staffing agencies, etc. The Career Center can help.
- Before a job interview, schedule a mock interview with the Career Center or speech coaching with the Communication Hauser Lab.

### LIFE AFTER GRADUATION

- Create a résumé and set up your profile on the Handshake icon: (My.UTRGV.edu).
- Got summer plans? Visit Career Center and ask about places to do some job shadowing.
- Research shows that students who work on campus perform better than those who work off campus. Look for a job on Handshake!
- Check your UTRGV email for the daily Messenger- locate and attend one student workshop.

- Update your resume in Handshake and have it reviewed.
- Visit the Career Center site to find a job fair to attend. At the event, approach a recruiter and discuss internships.
- Will a minor expand your career options? We recommend music or theatre.
- Explain to someone how your academic program aligns with your strengths and interests.

- Check out the utrgv.edu/dance program website for postings on career/graduate school.
- Think about three people you can ask for letters of recommendation (professors, mentors, advisors, supervisors, etc.). Give them at least two weeks' advance notice!
- When is the deadline for your graduate school application? Visiting the program admissions webpage. Most do not accept late applicants!

- Have you received your acceptance for graduate school or an employment offer? If not, network: talk to faculty, the Career Center, and get on LinkedIn.
- Formulate and implement a strategy for life after graduation: attend career fairs, graduate fairs, apply to fellowships, etc.
- Update your information with Alumni Relations. Enjoy alumni mixers, events and continued access to Career Center services!
- Remember to do your exit loan counseling on studentloans.gov.

- K-12 schools, public and private
- Colleges and universities
- Private dance studios and school
- Conservatories
- Performing arts camps
- Community agencies
- Adult/Continuing education programs
- Physical fitness centers
- Recreation centers/clubs

For additional info, visit the Career Center website and check out "What Can I Do With This Major?" [www.utrgv.edu/careercenter](http://www.utrgv.edu/careercenter)