

## Dance

The Bachelor of Fine Arts with a major in dance provides a degree program for talented students with prior dance experience and skills who seek professional careers as performing artists, choreographers, or dance scholars. Dance technique and the history, philosophies, and aesthetics of dance are all central to this program. The Bachelor of Science program is for students with prior dance experience who wish to combine university-level dance studies with a broad program of general study in the arts and sciences.

Some graduates choose to pursue careers closely related to dance, such as performance, education, and choreography. Others choose careers behind the scenes, or in the business area of dance in careers such as production, management, publishing and sales. A bachelor's degree is sufficient for many entry-level positions, but for entry into an area of specialization, an advanced degree may be required. Many careers do not require a specific major but rather a wide range of demonstrated skills and accomplishments. Thus, some graduates pursue careers in fields quite unrelated to dance. Regardless of your career choices, increase your marketability to employers through responsible work experience, good grades and involvement in college activities.

### A Sample of Related Occupations

Advertising Specialist	Dancer	Public Relations Specialist
Artistic Director	Director of Arts	Advocacy Agency Publicist
Choreographer	Director of Arts Council	Sales/Marketing Representative
Community Relations Director	Editor	Events Coordinator
Costume Designer	Lighting Designer	Stage Manager
Dance Company Manager	Lobbyist	Talent Agent
Dance Critic	Production Manager	Teacher
Dance Therapist	Promoter	Promoter

### Types of Employers

Arts Advocacy Agencies	Entertainment Companies	Production Companies
Arts Management Firms	Media Firms	Public Relations Firms
Colleges and Universities	Newspapers	Publishing Firms
Dance Companies	Performing Arts Centers	Theater Companies
Elementary and Secondary Schools	Private Dance Studios	Theme Parks
Department of Education	National Endowment for the Humanities	National Archives
Cultural Affairs Agencies	National Endowment for the Arts	Office of International Education

