BASIC MODERN DANCE:
MODERN DANCE LABORATORY

DAA 2104 SECTIONS 08FC/31B1 2 CR HRS/ FALL 2018/ T R 4–5, 10:40AM–12:10PM/ STUDIO G6
UP-TO-DATE CLASS SYLLABUS POSTED AT: HTTP://ARTS.UFL.EDU/SYLLABI/

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OFFICE HOURS
Wednesday 3:00–5:00 pm, Thursday 3:00–4:00 pm, and by appointment; Nadine McGuire Theatre and Dance Pavilion, 213

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Experience in introductory level technique, readings, observations, and movement exploration essential to your toolkit as a college-level dancer. Designed as a “laboratory,” you will explore movement and creativity in the framework of modern concert dance. Our lab will draw upon four distinct modalities:

1. Technique exploration in improvisational and traditional combinations;
2. Functional alignment and somatic/creative investigations, including self-care;
3. Formal performance and creative process viewing and response;
4. Readings, research, and presentations on major figures in the development of modern dance as an art form.

You are required to be dressed and ready to move each class meeting except when otherwise instructed. Your full preparation and ready participation is a prerequisite for class.

COURSE COMMUNICATIONS

Strive to stay on task and in communication with Dr. Frosch. When in doubt, reach out! No question is too small. Always…feel free to stop by, call, text, or email (using your ufl.edu account) using the subject line to ask your question and the body of the message for any additional information.

CLASS LOCATION

NADINE MCGUIRE THEATRE AND DANCE PAVILION, G6
REQUIRED TEXTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

The required texts for this class include written texts and dance texts.

1. Mazo, Joseph H. PRIME MOVERS: The Makers of Modern Dance in America (second edition). In the first part of the semester, you will complete journal entries on all chapters in Prime Movers in preparation for your midterm as due on dates in class calendar. Read each chapter and, in your class journal, (1) note location of the artist’s birth and years of birth (and death, if applicable); (2) note three particular items which define and make the artist meaningful and/or interesting to you; (3) then, “read” one-to-three YouTube sources, write the title of the choreographic work(s) you viewed, the date the work(s) created, and list ten defining aspects of the artist's choreographic style and/or use of the body in the work(s) (so that it cannot be confused with any other choreographer’s work!). Note: Choose 2 artists for Chapter 8 journal entry; and choose 2 artists for Epilogue journal entry.

2. PERFORMANCE VIEWING is also an important “text requirement” of this course and is detailed below. Plan to arrive 15–30” early for all shows since late seating is not encouraged and may not be available. In your class journal, (1) note location of birth and years of birth of the choreographer(s) whose work you have seen (except the choreographers of the BFA Dance Showcase); (2) note three particular items which appear to define and/or make the choreography you viewed personally meaningful and/or interesting to you; (3) then, specifically “read” one work in the concert you saw, write the title of the choreographic work you selected, the date it was created, and list ten defining aspects of the work and/or use of the body in that work (so that it cannot be confused with any other choreographic work!). PERFORMANCE VIEWING journal responses are due within one week of the performance you have seen.

REQUIRED PERFORMANCE VIEWINGS

You are required to see FOUR LIVE PERFORMANCES as noted below. Plan to arrive 15–30 minutes early for all shows since late seating may not be available. (Note, if you are performing in a required show, you’ll get credit for “viewing” that show.) As your time and finances allow, I recommend you see all visiting professional productions and all SoTD, UFPA Dance, and Santa Fe productions, whether required, or not. When you attend performances, be the first to TURN OFF PHONE and put it away during all performances. NO cell phone light, NO cell phone use, NO texting (unless the show requests it!). Set an example for all at the show!

FOUR LIVE PERFORMANCES ARE REQUIRED AS FOLLOWS:

- Attend both of the following “coupon”* performances:
  (COUPON 1) HAIRSPRAY – OCTOBER 19 – 28, 2018 at 7:30 pm (Sunday 2:00 pm matinee only—no evening performance);
(COUPON 2) AGBEDIDI – NOVEMBER 30– DECEMBER 1, 2018 AT 7:30 PM; DECEMBER 2, 2018 AT 2:00 PM, Constans Theater. (Note: your third “coupon” show has not been announced by the writing of this syllabus; your attendance is encouraged of the third coupon show will be encouraged but not required.)

- Attend ONE program of the Fall 2018 BFA Dance Showcase (no coupon available: separate charge). OCTOBER 19 – OCTOBER 28, 2018 7:00 PM; OCTOBER 28, 2018 AT 3:00 PM McGuire Pavilion, Studio G06
- Attend ONE of the UFPA Phillips Center or Santa Fe Fine Arts Hall performances: (limited UFPA Philips Center $10 student tickets are available if you purchase EARLY) http://performingarts.ufl.edu/students/ Jessica Lang Dance— Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at 7:30 pm https://performingarts.ufl.edu/events/jessica-lang-dance/

OR

at the beautiful Santa Fe Fine Arts Hall Dimensions Dance Theater— Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 8:00 pm HTTPS://WWW.SFCOLLEGE.EDU/FINEARTS/INDEX.PHP

*Note you’ll receive one coupon for each of three SoTD shows—two of which are required: Hairspray and Agbedidi. To redeem your coupon, present it—along with your UF student ID to O’Connell Center Gate 3 box office and a $2 handling fee—to pick up your ticket in advance. I recommend you redeem your SoTD coupons two weeks before the show. If tickets remain available, you may be able to redeem your coupon at the Constans box office on the eve of the show 45" before show time. Unfortunately, I cannot replace lost coupons. Non-coupon SoTD, Phillips Center, or Santa Fe events, will require you to purchase a ticket. Your third coupon will you to also see one of the following fall productions:

THE WOLVES – SEPTEMBER 1 – 23, 2018

BETWEEN RIVERSIDE AND CRAZY – SEPTEMBER 21–30, 2018

FREE EVENTS AT SANTA FE FINE ARTS HALL FALL 2018

THE FLORIDA DANCE ASSOCIATION YOUNG DANCERS SHOWCASE “A” – OCTOBER 19, 2018 AT 8:00 PM HTTPS://WWW.SFCOLLEGE.EDU/FINEARTS/INDEX.PHP

THE FLORIDA DANCE ASSOCIATION YOUNG DANCERS SHOWCASE “B” – OCTOBER 20, 2018 AT 8:00 PM HTTPS://WWW.SFCOLLEGE.EDU/FINEARTS/INDEX.PHP

NEED TO CALL THE THEATRE?

UF BOX OFFICE TELEPHONE: (352) 392–1653
2. CREATIVE PROCESS PARTICIPATION/VIEWING is another text requirement in this course. Please note the following dates and confer with Dr. Frosch on your preferences:

ALL Dance Majors (BA and BFA) are required to audition and to attend (or dance as cast in) all UnShowings. Since two UnShowings meet on Friday (September 14 and 28) at 10:40 AM this semester, dance majors whose confirmed UF course schedule prevents their Friday participation/attendance will be excused. Minors and Non-Majors are required to attend one UnShowing during the semester; minors and non-majors are welcomed (but not required) to audition.

- Wednesday, August 22 – Welcome Back Meeting Dance Area Students & Faculty at 6:30 PM–8:00 PM
- Thursday, August 23 – MOD Dance Ensemble Audition 6:30 – 8:00PM
- Wednesday, August 29 – Faculty works’ Audition 6:30 – 8:30PM
- Thursday, August 30 – Fall BFA 2018 Showcase Audition 6:30 – 8:30PM

Thurs, August 23, MOD Dance ensemble audition 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Mon., August 27, DIAS General Body Meeting, 6:30 pm, G11

Wed., August 29, Faculty Works’ Audition 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Thurs., August 30, Fall BFA 2018 Showcase Audition 6:30 –8:30 pm

UnShowing Schedule:

Fri., September 14, UnShowing #1, 10:40 am – 12:25 pm, G6
Fri., September 28, UnShowing #2, 10:40 am – 12:25 pm, G6
Mon., October 8, UnShowing #3, 6:30 pm – Until, G6
Mon., October 15, UnShowing #4 (Finalize Program Order), 6:30 pm – Until, G6

Mon., December 3, Final Unshowing, 6:30 pm – Until

Rehearsal Critiques on TBD Basis

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
Additional class–required readings and viewings will be made available to you on an as need basis; you are also encouraged to seek supplementary sources to support your assignments, midterm, and final.

Note the following Fathom Event opportunities at Regal Cinemas, Gainesville!

Sunday, November 11, 2018 at 12:55 PM: Bolshoi Ballet’s La Sylphide
https://www.fathomevents.com/events/bolshoi1819-la-sylphide?date=2018-11-11%2000:00:00.000

Sunday, December 2, 2018 at 12:55 PM: Bolshoi Ballet’s Don Quixote
https://www.fathomevents.com/events/bolshoi1819-don-quixote?date=2018-12-02%2000:00:00.000

Regal Cinemas Gainesville Cinema 14 3101 SW 35th Blvd. Gainesville, FL 32608

PREREQUISITE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

The student is expected to be ready to engage with class material as a mature and active learner who significantly contributes to the quality of the course. Previous recent dance experience is required and includes successful completion of DAA 1000 with recommendation of the instructor; in lieu of DAA 1000, other applicable dance/movement experience may be deemed acceptable by the instructor on a case–by–case basis.

PURPOSE OF COURSE

Pina Bausch, the great German choreographer, once said, "I'm not interested in how people move; I'm interested in what makes them move." While I am quite interested in how people move, this class is also designed help you discover “what makes you move,” as well. The “toolkit” we will build together supports you as you continue to mature as a dancer and creator of dance.

A NOTE ABOUT HOW WE WILL CONDUCT CLASS...

In Modern Dance Lab, the dancer invests in refining functional technical skills, exploring creative practices, and building historical awareness to enhance the ability to think in/and through movement. Our dance laboratory fosters functional alignment, body and space wakefulness, and athleticism/physicality; commitment to creative process; examination of historic artists (through our reading) and the performance of contemporary artists and trends through kinesthetic engagement.

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Frosch is Professor of Dance in the School of Theatre and Dance and director of
UF’s Center for World Arts (CWA). The CWA explores the power of global voices in contemporary artmaking through research, live and mediatized performance, and education. Named UF Research Foundation Professor (2012–2015) and Elizabeth Wood Dunlevie Honors Term Professor (2014–2015), Dr. Frosch is a dance ethnographer, certified Laban Movement Analyst (CMA), filmmaker, choreographer, and author. Noted for her productions on contemporary dance in and of Africa, Dr. Frosch received the inaugural EMPAC film commission to produce "NORA" (2008), which is broadcast in the USA by PBS and in France by ARTE http://www.movementrevolutionafrica.com/nora; Dr. Frosch is the director and producer of "MOVEMENT (R)EVOLUTION AFRICA,” (2009) http://movementrevolutionafrica.com broadcast in Europe by ZDF. She was awarded the INPUT Producer's Fellowship for Best in International Public Television (2011). She is the coordinator of the B.A. degree in Dance.

YOUR COURSE OBJECTIVES

1. **Develop** broad skills in contemporary dance to the basic level including an expressive and qualitative range of movement and performance (see categories of continuous assessment).

2. **Approach** all practice and performance from an anatomically functional standpoint and commit to the full embodiment of creative and kinesthetic choices.

3. **Experience** fundamentals of improvisation.

4. **Refine** musical dynamics and clarity to articulate musicality in breath, body, and space.

5. Become conversant with a selection of major figures in the development of contemporary dance helping you to **communicate** meaningfully about the field.

6. **Tap** the person/dancer/thinker/historian/choreographer within; kinesthetically engaging with self, others in class, historic choreographic approaches, and performance viewing.

7. **Devise**, showcase, and appreciate thoughtful creative work.

8. **Contribute** to a positive and active learning environment and uphold with integrity the UF Honor Code in all of your class endeavors.

COURSE POLICIES

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Active attendance is mandatory: when you enter the classroom you are expected to...
participate with quality focus as an alert participant, vigorously contributing to the progression of the class.

Do all the right things to stay healthy this semester! However, should you become ill... take care, rest deeply and get yourself well again. In the case of any absence, kindly email Dr. Frosch in advance so that the class content can be adjusted. Should you be unable to notify Dr. Frosch before your absence, you are asked to email noting your unanticipated absence within 24 hours—otherwise, I will worry about you!

A request to plan an absence should be accompanied by appropriate documentation. Religious holidays are excused upon prior notification as per the details of UF policy, please see: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx

Please note that the day of religious observance will not need to be made–up nor will documentation be required; however, you are responsible for material covered during your observance.

Other than the days of religious observance, without acceptable documentation by an attending professional (physician, etc.), or honest and timely communication with me regarding illness or other matters, absences are considered unexcused. Three absences are considered excessive in the UF Dance Program and will reduce your grade one-letter grade (i.e., from B to C). Each subsequent unexcused absence lowers your grade by half letter grade (i.e., from C to C–). After five unexcused absences, the student may not return to class resulting in automatic failure of the course.

An Incomplete is not given for studio classes.

See UF catalog for current regulations regarding class attendance and medical withdrawal: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx – absences

See further “acceptable reasons for absence” (https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx – absences) which must be documented and submitted for approval by the professor. Absences are to be handled by the following two–part method and initiated by the student:

1) Immediately upon your return to class, you turn in approved/legal documentation to instructor, if not already submitted, see UF Policy: http://shcc.ufl.edu/ and http://shcc.ufl.edu/forms-records/excuse-notes/

2) You take full responsibility for the work missed in the timeline required.

For your personal safety and the focus of the class, you may be asked not join a class that has already started. If you are unable to dance but are able to attend class, the professor may allow you to actively observe one class for full credit during the course of the semester. You will complete an assignment as assigned by the professor due at
the end of class or other assignment as Dr. Frosch requires.

EXAM POLICY

Performance projects supported by a one-page double-spaced written synopsis serve as the midterm exam for the course; performance projects supported by a program serves as the final exam for the course. Submit written portions of exams by hard copy to Dr. Frosch on assignment “due date” at the beginning of class.

MAKE-UP POLICY

You are always responsible for all material missed due to any absence.

ASSIGNMENT POLICY

Bring journal assignments to class on “due date”; and be ready to use data in movement lab.

CLASS DEEMANOR

You are expected to be prepared, present, and to engage in the class with full attention and genuine interest in one another’s ideas, work, and well-being. Be open, curious, and imaginative. Seek to see, move, and think from other viewpoints, rather than stalling your growth in earlier ways of thinking. The idea is that the more you open yourself to new ideas, the greater your possibilities become to “think differently,” a key to creation in postmodern era.

Phones are to be turned off and stored out of sight; in–studio text or other messaging is not allowed. Likewise, a considerate and professional tone is the UF standard for all communications and email messages. Students are asked to practice building professional relationships when communicating with their peers and professors, including when writing an email to Dr. Frosch or class members.

MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES FEES

This course has a fee of $110 for materials and supplies.

UF POLICIES

UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ACCOMMODATING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students requesting accommodation for disabilities must first register with the Dean of Students Office (http://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/). The Dean of Students Office provides documentation which the student is to submit to the instructor to request accommodation. You must submit this documentation before submitting assignments or taking the quizzes or exams. Accommodations are not retroactive, therefore,
students should contact the office as soon as possible in the term for which they are seeking accommodations.

UNIVERSITY POLICY ON ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

Academic honesty and integrity are fundamental values of the University community. Students should be sure that they understand the UF Student Honor Code posted at http://www.dso.ufl.edu/students.php.

GETTING HELP

To improve your class and/or overall performance please contact me in person, or by cell or text. I am ready to help you; and/or to guide you to the many services we have available for students at UF. Alternatively, you may wish to reach out directly to the following services:

- U Matter: http://www.umatter.ufl.edu/
- Counseling and Wellness resources: http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/
- UF Student Health Center: https://shcc.ufl.edu/
- Dean of Students Office: https://www.dso.ufl.edu/
- Disability resources: https://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/
- Library Help Desk support: http://guides.uflib.ufl.edu/content.php?pid=86973&sid=686381
- Dropping Courses and Withdrawals: https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/drops.aspx#withdraw

GRADING POLICIES

I. QUALITY PARTICIPATION AND PREPARATION GRADE: 50 PTS*

   ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY, FULL CLASS PARTICIPATION, RESEARCHER’S MINDSET, MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTIONS, INTEGRATE CLASS CORRECTIONS AND SUGGESTIONS

Your alert, engaged, and focused participation in and quality preparation for each class meeting and assignment is essential to the delivery of the curriculum. The class is carefully structured to include preparation/recuperation time; a lack of “presence” or actual absence detracts from the function of our dance laboratory. The student who is open, prepared and ready to learn, honestly investigating, and generously contributing to the class while also welcoming and integrating corrections and suggestions will earn up to 50 points. Starting from Day One, build the foundation to allow you and your peers to fly in the midterm and final projects.

II. MIDTERM: 20 PTS*
Modern Mid-Term In–studio Exam Schedule (based on Mazo)

Tuesday, October 2 and Thursday, October 4 (the team's one-page written presentation will be submitted to Dr. Frosch on day of assigned studio presentation).

Your midterm, which we will discuss and plan in class teams, is based on a selection of choreographers introduced in Mazo. You and your team will design your midterm presentation, which can include your choice of solo, duet, or group presentations. In the midterm, you will have the opportunity to develop historical and movement research skills and present your findings in choreographed performance. Your goal is to make new connections for yourself, and others, of your selection of the artists Mazo has introduced to us.

III. FINAL 30 PTS*

Modern Final In–studio Exams Schedule (Rosas Danst Rosas)

Thursday, Oct. 11 Choose Final Project Groups
Tuesday, Oct. 16 Final Project Research (On–site)
Thursday, Oct. 18 Group Demo & Final Project Proposal Due
Tuesday, Oct. 23 Final Project Movement Research
Thursday, Oct. 25 Two groups In–studio prep; Two groups On–site prep
Tuesday, Oct. 30 Two groups In–studio prep; Two groups On–site prep
Thursday, Nov. 1 Pre–Final On–site
Tuesday, Nov. 6 Final Project Prep Day (In–studio)
Thursday, Nov. 8 Final Project Dress Rehearsal (On–site)
Tuesday, Nov. 13 FINAL PROJECT PRESENTATIONS
Thursday, Nov. 15 FINAL PROJECT PRESENTATIONS

Your final, which is a small group choreography based on a specific independent contemporary choreographer, provides you a second and more intense opportunity to deepen your developing researcher’s mindset and test your ability to contribute effectively to a creative community. As you and your team design your final performance in a group presentation, you are to reach into the material you are provided to seek out its gems to make new connections for yourself and others. Seek to bring a new understanding of our independent choreographer with the new lens you and your group creates.

The group is also responsible for creating a program, detailing title and subtitle, if any, dramaturgy (describing your specific sources of inspiration and intention of the work), performers (with bios, if desired), music, costume, sound, music, or other designers, and acknowledgements, which is due in a draft on “pre–final” day. On the day of final presentation, please bring several programs for the class to share.
In concert with your team, you may invite audience members to view your presentation.

**IV. ACADEMIC HONESTY**
The student is to honestly cultivate their finest work to improve the quality of their impact on the living community of the class. The student demonstrates the highest standards of integrity by taking responsibility for learning and for the discovery of new knowledge. The university's policies regarding academic honesty, the honor code, and student conduct related to the honor code will be strictly enforced. Please familiarize yourself with the policies at:

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*EXPLANATION OF CONTINUOUS ASSESSMENT CATEGORIES (50 PTS.)*

**PLACEMENT AND ALIGNMENT**
A priority is placed on alignment, which includes an awareness and integration of skeletal structure in shaping the body in place and in motion, to efficiency of movement, but reduce, if not eliminate, the potential for injury. This intrinsic
understanding should be evident in all exercises, improvisations, and phrase work.

• 5–Excellent
  Has the ability to self assess while consistently maintaining alignment of torso/spine, pelvis & limbs while stationary and moving. Articulates limbs with excellent precision and clarity.

• 4–Good
  Consistently maintains alignment of torso/spine, pelvis, & limbs while stationary and moving. Articulates limbs with excellent precision and clarity.

• 3–Sufficient
  Demonstrates a consistent application of principles of alignment. Demonstrates consistent clarity during articulation of limbs.

• 2–Limited/Deficient
  Demonstration of correct personal alignment is not observable. Precision and clarity not demonstrated during exercises or movement through space.

• 1–Unsatisfactory
  Fails to demonstrate an understanding of basics of alignment and body fundamentals.

CORE SUPPORT AND CONDITIONING
Coupled with developing a proper sense of alignment and placement as applied to dance (and life) is a separate and equal area referred to as Core Support/Strength. It is necessary to list it as its own category to emphasize its importance to movement and promote awareness of its connection to the safety of the individual as they move through various positions and through all levels and into space.

• 5–Outstanding/Advanced
  Has ability to self-assess while connecting core and whole body conditioning to how the whole body moves through space and consistently moves with power and control through space and all levels.

• 4–Excellent
  Connects core and whole body conditioning to how the whole body moves through space and consistently moves with power and control through space and all levels.

• 3–Good/Sufficient
  Demonstrates movements competently with an adequate application of core support. Overall body strength and conditioning is adequate, with room for improvement.

• 2–Limited/Deficient
Work in class indicates weakness in core strength and movement control. Demonstrates limited power to safely propel self through space.

- **1–Unsatisfactory**
  Demonstrates lack of sufficient core support, conditioning and total body strength. Lacks power and control to safely propel self through space.

**SPATIAL AWARENESS AND FULL BODY INTEGRATION**

Necessary to the training of a contemporary dancer is the understanding of the movement of the body as a unit, and in relation to specific body parts (upper and lower body halves, and right and left body halves in motion), as well as a sense of spatial awareness.

- **5–Excellent**
  Demonstrates highly refined understanding of movement of body parts in relation to personal center of gravity. Integration of body in motion through space is clear and precise.

- **4–Good**
  Student consistently moves through space with full commitment and knowledge of level and direction changes.

- **3–Sufficient**
  Demonstrates a development towards the sensitivity to moving the body as a whole unit and an ability to experiment with the body in motion through time and space. Continues to demonstrate a developing understanding of the relationship between body parts and center of gravity.

- **2–Limited/Deficient**
  Demonstrates limited awareness of the connection between strength of center and total body movement; minimal ability to integrate the body in movement.

- **1–Unsatisfactory**
  Demonstrates lack of understanding of the concept of full body integration, as well as an adequate understanding of spatial awareness. Demonstrates a lack of understanding of the connection between upper body and lower body, and between body halves.

**RHYTHMIC CLARITY / MUSICALITY**

A student’s progress through the technique sequence should also yield both a practical and intrinsic understanding of how rhythm and musicality are applied to an exercise, a phrase, and dance performance. Musicality is the ability to perform movement phrases informed by music and imagined sound. Rhythmic clarity is the ability to understand the relationship of the moving body to time.

- **5–Excellent**
Demonstrates an intrinsic understanding of how the music and movement are united. Consistent awareness of sound demonstrated through accurate response to instructions and to musical cueing.

- **4–Good**
  Consistently moves with knowledge of beat/meter, accents, tempo, and rhythmic patterning.

- **3–Sufficient**
  Student is consciously working towards the application of beat/meter, accents, tempo, and rhythmic patterning and applies these musical basics to exercises, phrases, and repertoire. Generally appears to sense music deeply and to allow the nature of the music to affect the interpretation of movement phrases.

- **2–Limited/Deficient**
  Inconsistently demonstrates beat/meter, accents, tempo, and rhythmic patterning. Insufficiently developed sense of internal timing or a passive approach to dance phrasing; whereby student depends on other dancers, the instructor counting, or other obvious musical cues rather than intrinsic musical responses.

- **1–Unsatisfactory**
  Student rarely moves with using beat/meter, accents, tempo, and rhythmic patterning; or fails to invest in developing skills in this area.

**PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPATION**
Student demonstrates a mature artistic sensibility while cultivating awareness of the class as a living community of dancers; and attends all assigned performances in a professional and respectful manner, including in-studio showings. The professional importance of quality attendance is emphasized as part of the final grading process. Student upholds the UF Honor Code in all endeavors.

- **5–Excellent**
  Consistently demonstrates an attitude that is teachable, mature, attentive, supportive, open, and welcomes and integrates corrections; is open, eager, welcoming, and attentive in performance viewing (including in class) and never uses electronic devices during a performance.

- **4–Good**
  Student shows a high level of a mature and professional approach to all aspects of course work; is open and appropriately attentive in performance viewing (including in class) and never uses electronic devices during a performance.

- **3–Sufficient**
  Student shows a consistent and growing awareness of the profession
through classroom behavior and peer interaction; is appropriately attentive in performance viewing (including in class) and never uses electronic devices during a performance.

- **2–Limited/Deficient**
  Demonstrates limited interest or ability in understanding and expressing a professional attitude. May resist corrections and/or what is being taught. Fails to heed instruction and/or demonstrates other behaviors unbecoming a professional dancer; is somewhat attentive in performance viewing and does not put away electronic devices during a performance.

- **1–Unsatisfactory**
  Student rarely demonstrates an attitude that is teachable, mature, attentive, supportive, open, and does not integrate corrections; is inattentive in performance viewing and/or uses electronic devices during a performance.

### MODERN DANCE LAB COURSE SCHEDULE (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

**Week One:**
**Wednesday, Aug. 22**
*SoTD Convocation, 4:00 pm, Constans*

*Welcome Back Meeting Dance Area Students & Faculty at 6:30 PM–8:00 PM G06*

**Thursday, Aug. 23**
Course Orientation: Reflections on individual dance backgrounds and body assessments Movement Lab on awakening the breath and the spine.

**Week Two:**
**Tuesday, Aug. 28**
*DUE: Reading and Journal Entries for Mazo Prologue and Chapter 1 & 2 Discussion & Movement Lab.*

**Thursday, Aug. 30**
*DUE: Reading and Journal Entries for Mazo Chapter 3 & 4. Discussion & Movement Lab; Choose Midterm Groups.*

**Week Three:**
**Monday, Sept. 3**
*Labor Day (No school)*

**Tuesday, Sept. 4**
*DUE: Reading and Journal Entries for Mazo Chapter 5 & 6. Discussion & Movement Lab*

**Thursday, Sept. 6**
Movement Lab
Week Four:

Tuesday, Sept. 12         DUE: Reading and Journal Entries for Mazo Chapter 7 & 8 (Note: Choose 2 artists for Chapter 8 journal entries) Discussion & Movement Lab

Thursday, Sept. 13        Mid-term Prep Workday

Week Five:

Tuesday, Sept. 18         DUE: Reading and Chapter Summaries for Chapter 9 & Epilogue (Note: Choose 2 artists for Epilogue journal entries) Discussion & Movement Lab

Thursday, Sept. 20        Movement Lab & Mid-term Prep Workshop In-studio

Week Six:

Tuesday, Sept. 25         Movement Lab & Mid-term Prep Workshop In-studio

Thursday, Sept. 27        Movement Lab & Mid-term Prep Workshop In-studio

Week Seven:

Tuesday, Oct. 2           Mid-term In-studio

Thursday, Oct. 4          Mid-term In-studio

Week Eight:

Tuesday, Oct. 9           Movement Lab & Analyze “Rosas Danst Rosas” in three-page summary for today: www.rosasdanstrosas.be/background/

Thursday, Oct. 11         Movement Lab & Choose 3–4 finals groups

Week Nine:

Tuesday, Oct. 16          Movement Lab (In–studio) & RDR Research (On–site)

Thursday, Oct. 18         Movement Lab & Groups Demo DUE: One–page Group Proposal (one per group) hard copy in class.

Friday, Oct. 19           *UF BFA Dance Audition*
Week Ten:
Tuesday, Oct. 23  Movement Lab (In-studio) & RDR Movement Research (On-site)
Thursday, Oct. 25  Two groups on-site; two groups in-studio

Week Eleven:
Tuesday, Oct. 30  Two groups on-site; two groups in-studio
Wednesday, Oct. 31  BFA SHOWCASE OPENS
Thursday, Nov. 1  Pre-Final (On-site)
(Friday, Nov. 2  HOMECOMING No School)

Week Twelve:
Sunday, Nov. 4  TIME CHANGE – FALL BACK!!!
Tuesday, Nov. 6  Final Project Prep Day (In-studio)
Thursday, Nov. 8  Final Project Dress Rehearsal (On-site)

Week Thirteen:
(Monday, Nov. 12  VETERAN’S DAY Observed)
Tuesday, Nov. 13  Final Project Presentations
Thursday, Nov. 15  Final Project Presentations

Week Fourteen:
Tuesday, Nov. 20  Dancer Self Care 1
Wed.– Sun, Nov. 21– 25  THANKSGIVING BREAK

Week Fifteen:
Tuesday, Nov. 27  Dancer Self Care 2
Thursday, Nov. 29    Movement Lab
Friday, Nov. 30     AGBEDIDI OPENS

Week Sixteen:
Sunday, Dec. 2     AGBEDIDI CLOSES
Tuesday, Dec. 4    Evaluation
Wednesday, Dec. 5  Last day of fall classes

FREELY CONTACT DR. FROSCH WITH ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, AND SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE; OR FOR ANY ASSISTANCE NEEDED!

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Thank you.