DAN 4124: Dance History (3 credits)

University of Florida School of Theatre + Dance Spring 2023 M Period 6 (12:50-1:40) & W Periods 6 - 7 (12:50 PM - 2:45 PM) Physical Meeting Space: <u>McCarty B (MCCB), Room G086</u>



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Course Information

Instructor of Record

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Required Texts

- John O. Perpener III, African-American Concert Dance: The Harlem Renaissance and Beyond (University of Illinois Press, 2001).
 - Available at the UF Bookstore or through online bookseller of your choice. One copy is on reserve for this course (24 hr checkout) at the <u>Fine Arts Library</u> (201 Fine Arts Bldg A).
- All additional required reading and viewing materials will be made available on Canvas as PDFs or hyperlinks.

Required Performances & Events

In addition to regular class sessions, all Dance majors are expected to attend area-wide events such as performances, UnShowings, and Open Conversations. See the Spring 23 Dance Calendar at the end of this syllabus. Optional events of interest also included.

Canvas

This course is set up on Canvas (e-learning). All students must have access to Canvas on a regular basis to successfully complete the course. All assignments and out-of-class communication will take place in

Canvas. A schedule and timeline for the course can be found on the Canvas calendar. For help with Canvas, contact the <u>UF Computing Help Desk</u> at 352-392-4357 or via e-mail at <u>helpdesk@ufl.edu</u>.

Statement on Syllabi, Materials and Supplies Fees: Syllabi are posted at CFA website under:

Student & Parents: <u>http://arts.ufl.edu/syllabi/</u>. Lab Fees can be located at: http://registrar.ufl.edu/soc/201608/all/theadanc.htm

Dance History Catalog Course Description

PREREQ: DAN 2100 WITH MINIMUM GRADE OF C OR DANCE MAJOR/MINOR. SURVEY OF THE HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENT OF DANCE WITH REFERENCE TO SOCIAL CONTEXTS, PERIODS AND CULTURE. (H AND N)

Course Vision & Outcomes

College of the Arts Meta-Strategy

This course is designed to meet the aims of the College of the Arts' Meta-Strategy:

The University of Florida College of the Arts intends to be a transformative community, responding to and generating paradigmatic shifts in the arts and beyond. We do so by:

- Embracing the complexity of our evolving human experience and seeking to empower our students and faculty to shape that experience fearlessly through critical study, creative practice, and provocation.
- Collaborating effectively with the forces of change.
- Preparing students to access and unsettle centers of power in a radically changing world.
- Facilitating an arts education that will position emerging artists and researchers as catalysts for equity on local and global levels.

SoTD Anti-Racist Action Plan

This course is designed to meet the aims of the SoTD Anti-Racist Action Plan, Commitment I (you can find the entire plan on our Dance Area Headquarters Canvas page):

• The faculty, staff, and Director of the School of Theatre and Dance are committed to being responsive, informed, and accountable to the students we serve and creating an inclusive community.

Course Overview

The history of dance is the history of moving bodies. Dance history, then, is an impossibly vast category. To call a course "dance history" is to invite a host of questions about what counts as "dance" and whose history is recorded and retold in academic settings. Is dance history about theatrical dance? Social dance? Sacred dance? Dancing where? Europe, Africa, Asia, the Americas, rural areas or cities? On stages only, or also on screens, in nightclubs, in backyards, in the street? How far back in time are we talking?

This course is an invitation to ask these questions seriously in an interrogation of how dance histories are handed down or forgotten. We will draw on examples from diverse genres but will give the bulk of our attention to the history of dancing that has shaped your field: 19th-21st century theatrical dance in

Europe and the US, namely ballet, modern, and contemporary dance. In choosing this focus, my goal is not to reinforce this dance history as the most important, but to look at the histories that swirl around your training with a critical eye. We will not focus on the canon of names that are typically highlighted in dance history (often white, many male) but educate ourselves about the Black, indigenous, and other dancers of color who have fundamentally shaped ballet, modern, and contemporary dance but whose contributions have not endured as strongly as those of their white peers.

In an information age, where you can answer many questions about the facts of dance history through a Google search, this course's primary goal is not to offer a comprehensive narrative of names and dates (which would be impossible in any case). Instead, this course offers various lenses and perspectives for reading dance history and historicizing dance practice. The primary goal is that you leave with an expanded notion of what counts as "dance history," an ability to think historically about any dancing you encounter in the future, and a grounded sense of how your investment in dance (as an artist, teacher, administrator, etc.) fits into a lineage of what came before you (and perhaps challenges other lineages).

We will pursue these goals by bringing practice and theory together, combining lectures, readings, films/videos, virtual performances, writing, archival research, embodied exercises and choreographic assignments.

Student Learning Objectives

During and upon completion of this course, students will ...

1. Know select concert dance histories from transnational and intercultural perspectives.

2. Understand the various methods in which histories of dance, or of anything else, are collected and disseminated (i.e., archival research, body-to-body transmission, oral histories, video documentation, etc.).

 Possess the basic skills for conducting secondary historical and original archival research, from searching databases to applying historians' methodologies for making meaning from archival artifacts.
Integrate their cumulative technical, choreographic, and pedagogical training into a greater historical and theoretical context.

5. Begin to situate their identities more solidly within a lineage of dance thinkers, makers, and movers.6. View themselves as potential contributors to and emerging scholars of the ongoing and evolving narrative of dance history.

List of Graded Work

Presentations & Participation (30/100 pts)

<u>Small Group Presentation: Ballet (5):</u> You will collaborate with a small group of your classmates to present a specific aspect of ballet history. You will be given some time in class to prepare but please plan to **meet with your group at least one week before your presentation** date to discuss your plans. Detailed instructions to follow.

<u>Class Leadership (10)</u>: On a day of your choosing, you will collaborate with a small group of your classmates to lead an exploration of that day's assigned readings and viewings. You will not be given

time in class to prepare. Please plan to **meet with your group at least one week before your presentation** date to discuss your plans. Detailed instructions to follow.

Daily Engagement in Class Community (15): Please plan to complete all assigned reading and viewing materials **before the class** in when they are to be discussed. Come to class prepared to listen deeply, raise questions, share responses to material, and engage in class activities with an informed, thoughtful, and considerate approach.

Verbal communication: Many class meetings will revolve around discussion. Much like writing, verbal communication is a skill that can be learned and practiced. There are many ways to participate verbally: asking follow-up questions, requesting clarification, responding to questions that arise in conversation, reading aloud from the text, participating in small group activities, reporting back from small group activities, sharing a relevant experience, referring to your notes from a previous discussion and interjecting that into the conversation, etc.

Step Up/ Step Back: If you are someone who likes to talk during class (great!), participation for you *also* means allowing some silence and space for others to jump in. Practice self-awareness of how much "air time" you occupy in class. Are you always the first to raise your hand? Do you speak multiple times in every class meeting? If so, that's wonderful – you're a verbal, interpersonal learner and you're engaged! However, you're not in this class alone, and being a considerate member of the community also means consciously leaving space for others. Follow this rule: step up/step back. (Thank you to the Urban Bush Women's Summer Leadership Institute for this language!)

Nonverbal communication also matters! Especially if you are more introverted, an intrapersonal learner, or are practicing stepping back, show your community that you are engaged with your body language. Keep your phone in your bag. Don't open anything on your computer that will distract you. Watch the person talking/moving and show physical signs of following along, understanding, affirmation, etc. (nodding your head, rapping on your desk, snapping, etc.). Take notes. Assume a posture that tells others you are alert and present.

Embodied engagement: The class will routinely engage in embodied assignments and activities. Students are expected to approach embodied exercises with the same rigor and attention as discussion.

Office hours visits to discuss your experiences in the course, assigned material, assignments, etc. count toward your grade for engagement in class community.

Self-advocacy is an important part of your consistent engagement in our class community. That means, if you are experiencing life circumstances that make it difficult for you to show up fully, communicate with me about that in advance and/or in the moment as is possible. You may ask to take notes on a given day and hand those in as proof of participation, or suggest other accommodations to fit your circumstance. The important thing is that we both recognize that not everyone will be able to engage fully every single day, and that's ok. Just let me know what's going on – that's an important part of being an accountable member of the community too! (Thanks to my F21 Teaching Methods class for reminding me of this point!)

Participation Grading Rubric:

	High Quality	Average	Needs Improvement
Informed: Shows evidence of having done the assigned work.	Brings copies of all assigned readings AND notes on readings, videos, performances, and previous discussions. When making comments/notes, refers to quotes with page numbers, specific aspects of video/performance, and/or details of previous lecture/discussion when asking questions or making comments.	Brings copies of readings but incomplete or hasty notes; refers in general to assigned readings, videos, performances, lectures, and/or discussions when asking questions or making comments/notes. Visits during office hours.	Does not bring readings or notes to discussions; does not refer to assigned readings, videos, performances, lectures, and/or discussions when asking questions or making comments/notes. Does not visit during office hours.
	Visits during office hours to ask informed questions about course material, and/or discussed informed accommodations for class participation.		
Thoughtful: Shows evidence of having understood and considered issues raised.	During discussion, written assignments, and/or embodied activities, makes connections between each day's assigned material and overarching questions and themes; connects readings, videos, etc. to personal life experiences; asks questions that push authors'/artists' points of view in new directions; makes comparisons/connections between material assigned across a range of days/weeks. Regularly visits during office hours to ask thoughtful questions about course material and assignments, and/or to communicate about any barriers to full	During discussion, written assignments, and/or embodied activities, makes connections between each day's assigned material and overarching questions and themes; makes connections between material and personal life experiences; asks questions to clarify authors'/artists' points of view. Infrequently visits during office hours to ask general questions about course material and assignments and/or to communicate about any barriers to full engagement.	During discussion, written assignments, and/or embodied activities, struggles to connect each day's assigned material and overarching questions and themes; cannot often connect material to personal life experiences or to material assigned across a range of days/weeks. Does not visit during office hours.
Considerate: Takes the perspective others into account.	engagement. In discussion, listens to classmates' contributions with active nonverbal engagement; asks follow-up questions when appropriate. In discussion and in posts, refers to classmates' comments/questions in formulating one's own; when offering a counter- perspective, honors the	In discussion, listens to classmates' contributions with active nonverbal engagement. In discussion and in posts, sometimes refers to classmates' comments/questions in formulating one's own; offers counter-perspectives with respectful tone; initially judges others'	In discussion, shows physical signs of being checked out (on phone, slumped posture, etc.); rarely refers to classmates' comments/questions in formulating one's own; struggles to offer counter- perspectives with respectful tone; judges others' ideas/decisions

speaker's/writer's social location and point of view; strives to understand why people (instructor, classmates, authors, artists, etc.) hold ideas / make decisions rather than immediately judging them as good or bad. Visits during office hours	ideas/decisions but keeps digging to understand why people (instructor, classmates, authors, artists, etc.) hold ideas / make decisions. Visits during office hours sometimes demonstrate considerate engagement.	rather than striving to understand why people (instructor, classmates, authors, artists, etc.) hold ideas / make decisions. Office hours conversations evidence inconsiderate engagement; does not visit during office hours.
Visits during office hours demonstrate considerate engagement.	considerate engagement.	

In-Class Synthesis Activities (20/100 pts)

Two times throughout the semester, we will engage in an in-class activity to synthesize a chunk of course material. The activities will vary, but your participation/written submissions will be graded, 10 points each.

Research, Writing, and Choreographic Projects (50/ 100 pts)

Paper format: Unless otherwise indicated, please submit all written assignments as Word documents (not PDFs), doubled spaced, in 12 point font (either Times New Roman, Calibri, or Cambria). For all written assignments, please consult the *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers*, 7th edition, to guide your citation practices. For a quick reference guide, this website is helpful: <u>https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/</u>.

My Dance History Part 1 (15): Through written and danced communication, tell the his-/herstory of your personal journey in the field of dance thus far. You may locate the origin of your dancing wherever/whenever you see fit and highlight important milestones in your personal/scholarly/artistic/spiritual relationship with dance. Pay special attention to your "meticulous list of names" (encountered in the Schloss reading), naming the individuals who have been a part of you're his-/herstory, either in person, on screen, on stage, from the afterlife, or on the page.

- <u>Written Essay (10 pts)</u>: This document will not only help locate the focus of your final research project topic, but also models writing for grant proposals as well as artistic/research statements that accompany graduate school and residency applications. 2- to 3-page double spaced.
- <u>Danced Autobiography (5 pts)</u>: Present a short (1-2 min) solo that communicates your dance autobiography. You may use sound (live or recorded), including any elements of your essay that you want to incorporate.

My Dance History Part II (15): Build on your personal dance history to explore how your *professional* goals in dance rely upon a foundation laid by previous individuals, intuitions, and events. You will create a podcast episode to share your findings. Detailed instructions to follow.

- <u>Project proposal</u> (3 pts): Submit one paragraph in which you identify a) what aspect of dance history you are going to research and b) the reason you chose it. This proposal will guide one-one meeting with Rachel to guide your research
- <u>Podcast recording (12 pts)</u>: Upload an audio recording of your podcast episode plus show notes (bibliography, credits and other footnotes).

Modern Dance Archive Research Project (20): Take on the persona of a dance historian and investigate one artifact in UF Special Collections. Select a one archival artifact from those that the archivists present to us. Connect that artifact to the relevant scholarly sources already assigned for class in order to critically assess the artifact's historical and contemporary significance.

- <u>Proposal (3 pts)</u>: Submit one paragraph explaining a) what artifact you want to write about, b) c) why it grabbed your attention, and which secondary sources you will cite in your essay.
- <u>Group choreography based on midterm projects (5 pts)</u>: In collaboration with your partner(s), create a 2- to 5-minute movement-based performance that utilizes everyone's archival material as inspiration. The final performance will be presented at the Final UnShowing on Mon April 24 @ 6:30 pm. Detailed instructions to follow.
- DOWN DRAFT Written Essay
- FINAL DRAFT Written Essay (12 pts): 3-5 pages double spaced. A rubric will be provided.

Grading Scale

Grades are tabulated on a 100-point scale and a letter grade is assigned as follows:

	93–100 A	90–92 A-
87–89 B+	83–86 B	80-82 B-
77–79 C+	73–76 C	70–72 C–
67–69 D+	63–66 D	60–62 D–

59 and below F

If you have questions about how grade points are assigned by the University, go to: <u>https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx</u>

Dance Area Attendance Policy

Dance Area Attendance Policy: For classes that meet 2x/week, students can take 2 unexcused absences with no penalty; no documentation is required for the first 2 absences as they are automatically excused. If the third absence is unexcused, it will result in 5% deduction from the final grade. Excused or unexcused, on the third absence, a meeting is required with the instructor and/or area faculty to assess the student's continued participation in the course. If the fourth absence and all subsequent absences are unexcused, each will result in an additional 5% deduction from the final grade. Opportunities to make up missed material for unexcused absences is up to the instructor's discretion and will be made available through virtual classes or online assignments.

Late arrival/ early departure: You are late if you arrive after role has been taken/class has begun.

- There will be a 5-minute grace period at the start and end of class.
- 3 late arrivals/ early departures for regular class meetings equals 1 unexcused absence.

Any absence from class for the following reasons must be supported by official acceptable documentation to avoid a grade penalty:

- Illness (including COVID-19*)—doctor's note must be on official letterhead with address and phone number, noting the date and time of visit and diagnosis verifying that an absence from class is warranted, doctor name and signature
- Serious family emergencies
- Special curricular requirements (e.g., judging trips, field trips, professional conferences)
- Military obligation
- Severe weather conditions
- Participation in official university activities such as music performances, athletic competition or debate

- Court-imposed legal obligations (e.g., jury duty or subpoena)
- To help organize accommodations, students should inform the instructor by the end of the second week of classes of religious observances of their faith that will conflict with class attendance this semester.

*If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms (<u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html</u>), please use the UF Health screening system (<u>https://coronavirus.ufhealth.org/screen-test-protect/covid-19-exposure-and-symptoms-who-do-i-call-if/</u>) and follow the instructions on whether you are able to attend class. Course materials will be provided to you with an excused absence, and you will be given a reasonable amount of time to make up work (<u>https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/attendance-policies/</u>).

• *Instructor note:* If you are experiencing barriers to in-class attendance, such as lack of transportation, housing insecurity, or other things, please contact me as soon as possible so that we can discuss solutions.

Policies, Expectations & Resources

Learning Community

As we engage with course material, we will critically evaluate our thoughts, opinions, and assumptions. As a learning community, I ask that we collectively invest in an environment in which all class members feel empowered to take risks, ask questions, experiment, and grow. Dance history frequently intersects with the difficult and at times violent pasts and presents of inequalities related to race, gender, sexuality, class, ability, and more. Some topics, surely, will be more personal than others. Feelings of discomfort often accompany complex issues, and that is OK - oftentimes individual discomfort is a necessary part of our collective learning. I will do my best to offer content warnings in anticipation of material that may be particularly sensitive. I ask that, as part of your rigorous intellectual and physical engagement, you meet the course material as best you can. Respect, openness, and the capacity to listen and respond sensitively and intelligently are of utmost importance in the classroom. Please consult with me should any questions or concerns around course content or classroom climate arise.

- Online Learning Community: Our learning community includes the parts of our lives that play out online. Your commitment to creating a positive learning community includes not only how you interact in class but also how you interact with and/or represent other members of our class online via email, threaded discussions on Canvas, social media, and other platforms. I ask that we be honorable and attentive to how we talk to and about each other both on and offline.
- <u>Email:</u> Please use formal language when corresponding with me and with each other regarding class business. An email is not a text message nor a DM. Please only use your UFL.EDU email account or the email tool within Canvas for e-mail correspondence related to class, begin emails with a formal greeting, and avoid everyday colloquialisms. For UF guidelines on "netiquette": http://teach.ufl.edu/docs/NetiquetteGuideforOnlineCourses.pdf

Community Agreements

- We remember that none of us knows everything, but together we know a lot.
- We embrace and support multiple ways of "knowing" which include lived experience, bodily knowledge, emotional intelligence, and many others. Intellectualizing and "thinking" is only one way of knowing, a way that has been privileged in academic culture and can keep other voices out.
- We allow ourselves and each other to communicate as best we can, knowing that we don't always have the words in the moment. We encourage ourselves and each other to "fail forward" or "speak in draft," that is, make mistakes on the path of growing.
- We assume good intentions but focus on the impact that our words and actions have upon others even and especially when the impact is harmful but our intentions were good.*
- We do not rely on others to educate us about areas that we remain ignorant of, due to our own privileges, blind spots, assumptions, or simple lack of exposure. We say thank you when gaps in our understanding are revealed and then do the work ourselves to learn about what we don't already know.*
- We understand that discomfort can arise when we encounter something unfamiliar. We get curious about that discomfort when it arises and ask ourselves, "Am I being challenged right now or am I being triggered or harmed in some way?" We give ourselves permission to take care of ourselves as needed in moments of discomfort.*
- We share the air by stepping up and stepping back.

- We all take responsibility for the quality of our experiences together. It is not the sole responsibility of any one person, including the instructor, to ensure that we adhere to our agreements. That is a shared responsibility.
- YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS:
- These agreements can be revised at any time by anyone.

*Thank you to my Fall 2021 Teaching Methods class for offering these community agreements. I have adapted them for inclusion here.

Late Work Policy: Extensions will be granted only in extenuating circumstances, with ample communication from the student, and at the discretion of the professor. Deadlines in other classes and extracurricular obligations do not constitute extenuating circumstances. If you have a documented accommodation, see "Accommodations" below.

Course Evaluations: Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students/. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens, and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via https://ufl.bluera.com/ufl/. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at https://gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results/.

Honor Code: UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge, which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code (http://www.dso.ufl.edu/sccr/process/student-conduct-honor- code/) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor.

<u>A note on writing and plagiarism</u>: Plagiarism can be a fuzzy area. It can be difficult to know if you are plagiarizing when you are learning things from what you're reading and seeing, and then applying what you are learning to your own writing. If you have any doubts about your work and how you are using someone else's material, please ask me. It is better to ask than to inadvertently plagiarize.¹

<u>A note on choreography and plagiarism:</u> Any time you use information from a source, you must cite it. This applies not only to writing, but also to choreography. As we are working with aspects

¹ Thank you to Reed College Theatre Professor Kate Bredeson for sharing her note on plagiarism for inclusion on my syllabus. See what I did there? I gave credit to the author of the note on plagiarism! It's that simple!

of movement composition that may often make reference to other works of dance, no unaccredited lifting, copying, or sampling of dance material from YouTube or other sources will be permissible. These kinds of actions/uses are subject to penalties for plagiarism.

Accommodations: Appropriate accommodations will always be granted to students with documented disabilities. Please notify me if there are aspects of the instruction or design of this course that result in disability-related barriers to your participation as soon as possible, and we can work to find a solution. Note that students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter, which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Campus Resources

Campus Resources for Health and Wellness

Counseling and Wellness Center

http://www.counseling.ufl.edu/cwc/Default.aspx or 392-1575 for information on crisis services as well as non-crisis services.

U Matter, We Care: If you or someone you know is in distress, please contact <u>umatter@ufl.edu</u>, 352-392-1575, or visit <u>U Matter</u>, <u>We Care website</u> to refer or report a concern and a team member will reach out to the student in distress. A nighttime and weekend crisis counselor is available by phone at 352-392-1575.

CARE Team @ Dean of Students' Office - Campus Assistance & Resources for Empowerment (CARE) is an area within the Dean of Students office that was created to support and guide every Gator through anticipated challenges and unexpected events that may impact wellness or success. CARE consists of offices and facilities, including Case Management Services (CMS), the Medical Petition and Withdrawal program, the Collegiate Veterans Success Center (CVSC), Contact My Instructor (for absences), and the Hitchcock Field and Fork pantry (to assist with food insecurity), designed to facilitate achievement of students' academic and personal success and to assist with basic needs. <u>https://care.dso.ufl.edu/</u>

Student Health Care Center: Call 352-392-1161 for 24/7 information to help you find the care you need, or visit the Student Health Care Center website.

UF Health Shands Emergency Room / Trauma Center: For immediate medical care call 352-733-0111 or go to the emergency room at 1515 SW Archer Road, Gainesville, FL 32608; Visit the UF Health Emergency Room and Trauma Center website

GatorWell: Mindfulness coaching, HIV testing, bulk condom request, and much more. https://gatorwell.ufsa.ufl.edu/

Additional Mental Health Resources

• UF has an Equal Access Mental Health Clinic that has a Free Therapy Night every Monday night that UF is considered open. Here is the FB page through which one can book appointments as well: https://www.facebook.com/equalaccessclinic/

• *The UF School of Medicine Equal Access Clinic* website is here and has the above mental health services as well as specialized Women's and LGBT medicine:

https://equalaccess.med.ufl.edu/specialty-clinics-classes/

• Alachua County Crisis Center web site:

https://alachuacounty.us/depts/css/crisiscenter/pages/services.aspx

Offers Crisis Counseling as well as a Mobile Response Unit that attends to severe mental health crises.

UF Reporting & Resources: Sexual Harassment, Racism, Microaggressions, and more.

See SoTD's processes for reporting incidents in the Student Handbook. UF-wide reporting mechanisms and resources include:

Office for Accessibility and Gender Equity: Resources and instructions for reporting a Title IX violation: https://titleix.ufl.edu/report/

Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS): Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

Campus Diversity Liaisons: The Campus Diversity Liaisons (CDLs) are members of the leadership team of each college or business unit. They put the university's IDEA (Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Access) strategy into action at the college and unit level. The CDLs are also networked into the Office of the Chief Diversity Officer and they come together to share best practices, brainstorm solutions, and build their competencies in IDEA work. https://cdo.ufl.edu/about/campus-diversity-liaisons/

RESPECT Team: The purpose of the RESPECT Team is to provide impacted parties of bias incidents opportunities to be heard and supported; understand and respond to situations that affect the University of Florida; educate and inform the community; and create awareness of ignorance and intolerance. https://respect.ufsa.ufl.edu/

Report through the University Ombuds: https://www.ombuds.ufl.edu/

Report a Student Concern: Report incidents or concerning student behavior that is happening in the University of Florida community. Navigate using the buttons below to connect with the appropriate reporting mechanism to share information related to student conduct or concerns. https://report.ufl.edu/student-concern/

If you believe that a situation you are reporting is an emergency and requires immediate attention, please call the University Police Department at (352) 392-1111.

UF Resources for Anti-Racism: https://antiracism.ufl.edu/learn/uf-resources/

University Police Department: Visit UF Police Department website or call 352-392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies).

Campus Resources for Academic Support

The Writing Studio

The writing studio is committed to helping University of Florida students meet their academic and professional goals by becoming better writers. Visit the writing studio online at http://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/ or in 2215 Turlington Hall for one-on-one consultations and workshops.

E-learning technical support: Contact the UF Computing Help Desk at 352-392-4357 or via e-mail at helpdesk@ufl.edu.

More Academic Resources

Career Connections Center: Reitz Union Suite 1300, 352-392-1601. Career assistance and counseling services.

Library Support: Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center: Broward Hall, 352-392-2010 or to make an appointment 352- 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring.

The Orange Book: Student Honor Code and Student Conduct Code webpage for more information

Weekly Course Schedule

Changes to the syllabus: Details on each unit's weekly schedule will be provided in class. While this document provides guidelines for the class, I do reserve the right to change the syllabus at any time during the semester if the need arises. Each class is different, and sometimes it takes some tweaking to respond to the needs of the group. Being flexible with the syllabus allows us to get it right. Thanks in advance for your understanding.

Week/ Date	Торіс	Assigned Readings & Viewings	Quizzes, Perusall, Other Assignments	Big Assignments Due	Events/ Other Notes
Week 1 Jan 9-13	Getting started	This syllabus Joseph Schloss, <i>Foundation</i> [PDF on Canvas]	N/A		
Week 2 Jan 16-20 MLK DAY JAN 16	My Dance His/Herstory Part I + Ballet	Court Traditions video	Quiz on video	Work on Autobiography solos & essays	
Week 3 Feb 23-27	Ballet	(Re)Claiming Ballet Intro	Quiz on reading	Autobiography Essay Perform Autobiography Solo	Meet in Studio (TBD) on M Feb 23

Week/ Date	Торіс	Assigned Readings & Viewings	Quizzes, Perusall, Other Assignments	Big Assignments Due	Events/ Other Notes
Week 4 Jan 29 – Feb 3	Ballet	Selected reading for your group's presentation		Small group presentations: ballet	
Week 5 Feb 6-10	Indigenous Dance: Latin America	Diana Taylor, Archive and the Repertoire	Perusall, Taylor chapter		
Week 6 Feb 13-17	Indigenous Dance: North America	Lulani Arquette, "Native Dance Now"	Quiz reading	Class Leadership #1	
Week 7 Feb 20-24	Postmodern Dance	Sally Banes, Terpsichore in Sneakers [PDF on Canvas]	Quiz reading	Class Leadership #2	
Week 8 Feb 27 – March 3 DANCE 2023 MARCH 2-5	My Dance His/Herstory Part II: Podcast Project Proposals	N/A		Podcast project proposal	Meet with Librarian in AFA Mon Feb 20 Wed: One-on- one meetings with Rachel re: podcast project
Week 9 March 6-10 DARK DAY MARCH 6	Synthesis + Podcast Project	N/A		Synthesis #1 Work on Podcast Project	DARK DAY M March 6
Week 10 SPRING BREAK	Happy Spring Break!				
Week 11 March 20-24	Modern Dance: Dunham	Perpener Ch. 6	Quiz reading	Podcast project	Saroya Corbett, Guest artist: Dunham technique Meet in Studio TBD
Week 12 March 27 – 31 BFA SHOWCASE	Modern Dance: Primus & Hurston	Perpener Ch. 7	Quiz reading	Class leadership #3	BFA Showcase Nov. 2-6; Rachel at ASTR conference Nov 3-7
Week 13 April 3-7 DARK DAY MON	Modern Dance: Hurston	Anthea Kraut, "Rethinking Hurston, Rethinking the Choreographer"	Perusall reading	Class leadership #4	Dark Day Mon
Week 14 April 10-14	Working in the Archive	TBD		Synthesis #2; Archive Project Proposal	Meet in UF Special Collections Wed

Week/ Date	Торіс	Assigned Readings & Viewings	Quizzes, Perusall, Other Assignments	Big Assignments Due	Events/ Other Notes
Week 15 April 17-21	Archive Projects: Peer Edit, Group Choreo Work	N/A	N/A	Down Draft Archive essay	Meet in Studio (TBD) for Group Choreo work day (Wed)
Week 16 April 24-26	Archive Projects/ Wrap Up	N/A	N/A		Perform Group Archive Choreographies Mon in class and at Final UnShowing Mon Feb 24 @ 6:30pm
Finals Week	Archive Essays	Readings needed for essay		Final Draft Archive Essay	

SPRING 23 DANCE CALENDAR

Please check your emails daily for Dance Area Headquarters Canvas site updates!

JANUARY

- 9 Dance Area Welcome Back Meeting 6:30pm-8pm
- BA Focused Welcome Back Meeting immediately to follow
- 11 Tentative: BFA Showcase auditions G-6 6:30-8pm
- 12-15 Andrea Ward in residence
- 13 Coordinators Meeting 1-2pm
- 18-20 Orange Grove Dance in Residence for Ric Rose Alumni Award activities
- 19 Matt & Colette talk on Dance/Film G-11 12:50-2:20 pm Ric Rose Alumni Award Presentation 5:30-7pm
- 20 Dance Area Meeting 1-2:30pm
- 23 Fittings begin for Dance 2023
- Dance 2023 Design Presentations & Company Meeting 6:30-8pm via Zoom
- 27 BFA Program Audition 9am 4:30pm
- 30 Dance 2023 Load In
- TBD: Dance Student Council elections

FEBRUARY

- 3 Dance Area Meeting 1-2:30pm
 - UFPA Performance: STOMP, 7:30pm
- 8 Dance 2023 Production Meeting 4-5pm, Zoom
- 10 Coordinators Meeting 1-2pm
- 11 UFPA Performance: Momix: Alice, 7:30pm
- 15 Spring BFA Showcase Production Meeting 3-4pm, Zoom Dance 2023 Production Meeting 4-5pm, Zoom
- 16 SoTD Town Hall 10:45am-12pm online
- 17 Tentative: UnShowing for BFA Showcase Choreographers (during Fri. Masterclass) Dance Retreat 1-4pm
- 18 UFPA Performance: Dance Alive: *Horse of a Different Color*, 7:30pm
- 19-22 Dance 2023 Spacing Rehearsals, 6:30-10:30pm, Constans
- 23 Dance 2023 Crew Watch 6:30-9:30pm, Constans
- 24 Dance Open Conversation 1- 2:30pm Doug Varone Master Class G-6

- Dance 2023 Tech #1 and Production Meeting 7-11pm, Constans
- 26 Dance 2023 Tech #2 and Production Meeting 7-11pm, Constans
- 27 Dance 2023 Tech #3 and Production Meeting 7-11pm, Constans
- 28 Dance 2023 Dress #1 and Production Meeting 7-11pm, Constans

MARCH

- 1 Dance 2023 Dress #2 and Production Meeting 7-11pm, Constans
- 2-5 Dance 2023, Constans
- 3 Dance Area Meeting 1-2:30pm
- 6 Dance Dark Day
- 10 BFA Showcase Load In and Audio Ring-out, 9am-5pm, G-6 Coordinators Meeting – 1-2pm
- 13-17 Spring Break
- 19 BFA Showcase optional spacing 9-11pm, G-6
- 20 BFA Showcase Lighting Orientation 5-7pm, G-6
 - BFA Showcase spacing rehearsals 7-11pm, G-6
- 21 BFA Showcase spacing rehearsals 5-11pm, G-6
- 22 BFA Showcase Tech Program A 7-11pm, G-6
- 23 BFA Showcase Tech Program B 7-11pm, G-6
- 24 BFA Showcase Tech with Costumes Program A & Production Meeting 7-11pm, G-6 Coordinators Meeting – 1-2pm
- 25 UFPA Performance: Dance Alive: Swan Lake, 2 & 7:30pm
- 26 BFA Showcase Tech with Costumes Program B & Production Meeting 1-5pm, G-6
- 27 BFA Showcase Dress Program A & Production Meeting 7:30-11pm, G-6
- 28 BFA Showcase Dress Program B & Production Meeting 7:30-11pm, G-6
- 29–31 Spring 23 BFA Showcase
- 31 Dance Area Retreat– 1-4pm

APRIL

- 1-2 Spring 23 BFA Showcase (continued), Strike 4/2 5:30-7:30pm G-6
- 3 Dance Dark Day
- 7 Coordinators Meeting 1-2pm
- 10-14 CRAs (CRAs meetings schedule TBA)
- 14 Dance Area Meeting 1-2:30pm
- 21 Coordinators Meeting 1-2pm
- 22 UFPA Performance: *Ahuti*: The Nrityagram Dance Ensemble in collaboration with The Chitrasena Dance Company, 7:30pm
- 24 Final Unshowing 6:30-8:30pm, G-6
- 26 Classes end Tentative: Senior Circle 12:10-12:30pm, G-6 SoTD Convocation 4-5pm, Constans
- TBD: BA Dance Social/ Info Session

MAY

5/1 CRAs – Graduating Seniors – 9am-11:30am and 1pm-3pm (tentative)