DANCE 14 Course Outline as of Fall 2005

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: DANCE 14 Title: LYRICAL JAZZ DANCE

Full Title: Lyrical Jazz Dance Last Reviewed: 1/28/2019

Units		Course Hours per Weel	k I	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	2.00	Lecture Scheduled	0	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	0
Minimum	1.00	Lab Scheduled	4.00	3	Lab Scheduled	70.00
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	4.00		Contact Total	70.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 0.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 70.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 34 - 4 Enrollments Total

Also Listed As:

Formerly: PE 58

Catalog Description:

The lyrical style of jazz draws from ballet and modern techniques while maintaining the attitude and style of jazz dance. This class will follow a jazz dance format including center warm-ups, across the floor sequences and combinations, with the choreographic focus on interpretation of the mood of the music or the lyrics of songs. May include a possible performance in a dance concert.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

Course Completion of DANC 11.1 (or DANCE 11.1 or PE 27.1 or PE 146.1) and Course Completion of DANC 13.2 (or DANCE 13.2 or PE 30.1B)

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

Description: Jazz dance format including center warm-ups, across the floor sequences and combinations, with the choreographic focus on interpretation of the mood of the music or the lyrics of songs. May include a possible performance in a dance concert. (CR/NC OPTION)

(Grade or P/NP)

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended: Course Completion of DANC 11.1 (or DANCE 11.1 or PE 27.1 or PE 146.1)

and Course Completion of DANC 13.2 (or DANCE 13.2 or PE 30.1B)

Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

Repeatability: 4 Enrollments Total

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2000 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2000 Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Certificate Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

The student will:

- 1. Demonstrate intermediate level competence in essential ballet, jazz and modern dance skills.
- 2. Practice dramatic performance of dance sequences through movement quality and facial expressions.
- 3. Expand his or her movement repertoire to include flowing, expressive and graceful qualities within a jazz dance context.
- 4. Improvise lyrical jazz dance movement to hone the expressive capacities essential to performance of lyrical jazz dance and to discover personal lyrical jazz dance style.
- 5. Choreograph a lyrical jazz dance combination.
- 6. Perform lyrical jazz dance sequences or dances for the class and/or an audience.
- 7. Demonstrate theoretical understanding of lyrical jazz dance.
- 8. Develop musicality i.e. relating of dance movement to the phrasing, rhythm, mood and lyrics of the music.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Lyrical Jazz characteristics
 - A. Floor work (movement that takes place on a low level i.e.

- sitting, lying or kneeling on the floor or moving through sitting, lying or kneeling positions)
- B. Balletic movements and vocabulary
- C. Modern dance movements and vocabulary
- D. Emotional expressiveness in body movement and facial expression
- E. Jazz dance isolations such as shoulder, rib and hip movements
- F. Prevalence of sustained (i.e. smooth and continuous) movements and transitions contrasted with strongly accented movements
- G. Musicality i.e. relating dance movement to the phrasing, rhythm, mood and lyrics of the music.
- II. Lyrical Jazz Warm-ups emphasizing the stylistic characteristic above
 - A. Opening warm-up segment
 - 1. Gross movement patterns and rhythmical movement designed to increase the blood flow and the internal temperature of the muscles
 - 2. Secondary focus on articulation of the spine through the sagittal and frontal planes of the body
 - B. Isolations i.e. movements of one part of the body at a time such as head and neck movements, shoulder movements, rib cage and pelvis movements
 - C. Footwork and plies
 - 1. Articulation of the feet and ankles
 - 2. External rotation of the hip joints (turnout)
 - 3. Vertical alignment of the spine
 - 4. Strengthening of the quadriceps and hip flexors
 - D. Legwork
 - 1. Leg extensions that demand leg strength and flexibility; vertical alignment of the spine
 - 2. Off-center movements of the torso
 - 3. Placement of the extremities in relation to the torso
 - 4. Balance
 - E. General stretching and strengthening
 - 1. Muscles of the back, legs, hips, feet
 - 2. The body's core, i.e. the lumbar/pelvic abdominal regions of the body
- III."Across the Floor" i.e. locomotor movements
 - A. Emphasis on traveling through space
 - B. Lyrical jazz dance steps and movement vocabulary that will serve as the building blocks for lyrical jazz choreography
 - C. Lyrical jazz turns based on a combination of ballet, jazz and modern movement vocabulary
- IV. Lyrical Jazz Combinations
 - A. Longer dance sequences that integrate the elements of technique practiced throughout the previous segments of class and the stylistic characteristics of lyrical jazz dance
 - B. Challenge the dance student to rapidly assimilate and retain complex dance sequences
 - C. Attention to detail and performance quality
 - D. Capabilities associated with lyrical jazz dance
 - 1. Emotional expressiveness throughout the body

- 2. Facial expressions that reflect the mood or feeling of the choreography and music
- 3. Dynamic contrast i.e. changes in energy flow
- 4. Enhanced connection to the music in terms of:
 - a. accenting movements with musical accents
 - b. reflecting the impact of the mood of the music in movement quality
 - c. rhythmical timing
- V. Student choreography demonstrating the distinctive features of the lyrical jazz dance style
 - A. Improvisational experiences
 - 1. Spontaneous creation of lyrical jazz dance movements
 - 2. Precursor to actual choreography
 - B. Combination (dance sequence) in the lyrical jazz dance style
 - C. Synthesis of lyrical jazz dance vocabulary and stylistic elements with the student's personal style and movement inventions
 - D. Performance of choreography for the class

Assignment:

Observation of a dance performance and written paper comparing and contrasting the style of the dance viewed to the lyrical jazz dance style.

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

None, This is a degree applicable course but assessment tools based on writing are not included because skill demonstrations are more appropriate for this course.

Writing 0 - 0%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class performances, Performance exams

Skill Demonstrations 20 - 40%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Written critique

Exams 20 - 40%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance		Other Category 40 - 60%
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Representative Textbooks and Materials: