WSU Dance Program

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Working Dance Artists
Conservatory Training with a Liberal Arts Attitude
Award Winning Faculty
Get Onstage Early and Often
Professional Performance Opportunities
Nationally Recognized Guest Artists
Grads Working in Dance Companies, Broadway, Radio City, and More!

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WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY
Bachelor of Fine Arts Dance Program
The Dance Program’s four-year B.F.A. degree at Wright State University enables serious dance students to hone their skills and deepen their technical ability to become strong, versatile dancers.

With a faculty rich in professional experience, the program offers students opportunities to study and perform in ballet, jazz, and modern dance.

The Dance Program is integrated with our acting and musical theatre programs, allowing dance students to explore multiple disciplines. Exchange programs with the Dayton Ballet and Dayton Contemporary Dance Company offer exceptional dance majors additional opportunities for training and performance.

Learn more at wright.edu/dance

On-Campus Auditions
Creative Arts Center
Friday, November 3, 2017  Masterclass and Audition
Saturday, January 27, 2018
Saturday, February 17, 2018

Spring Dance Concert
April 19-22, 2018

To schedule an on-campus visit or audition, contact:
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Come audition at WSU and Join our unique and versatile Dance Program!

Dance Auditions for 2018-2019

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box office: 937.775.2500

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Bachelor of Fine Arts in Dance

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Working Dance Artists
For more than 40 years, Wright State University’s B.F.A. Dance Program has prepared students to begin professional careers in modern, ballet and jazz dance companies, on Broadway, in commercial dance venues, and theatres around the world. Let us help you follow your dream.

Conservatory Training with a Liberal Arts Attitude
Wright State University’s highly selective B.F.A. Dance Program offers one of the most rigorous training plans you’ll find anywhere. Small class-sizes and faculty who are truly invested in your success mean lots of individual attention. You’ll experience:

- four full years of ballet, modern, and jazz training with strong emphasis on each
- dance class-sizes that are limited to an average of 20 students
- a full year of acting to empower you as artistic and versatile dancer
- two years of choreography culminating in two concerts
- two full years of weekly private voice lessons
- specialized classes in kinesiology, dance pedagogy, and dance history
- optional tap, pointe, men's, and pas de deux classes

Award-Winning Faculty
Wright State University boasts a B.F.A. faculty of recognized teaching artists and choreographers. Our faculty have worked in professional dance companies as well as on and off Broadway, international tours, and major regional theatres. Your professors continue to teach and choreograph for major dance companies, regional theatres, and dance festivals around the country. We will help you develop the technique, creative vision, and artistic imagination to succeed in your professional careers as dancers, choreographers, and teachers. Often Wright State students receive professional contract offers before they even graduate. At Wright State, your supportive and demanding teachers truly “talk the talk and walk the walk.”
Get Onstage Early and Often
At WSU you can get onstage early. We work to cast you as often as possible, so your experience here will be filled with intensive classroom training that’s reinforced on stage. We focus on guiding you as an individual dancer through solid practice and ample performance opportunities. And our program uniquely fuses theatrical and musical training into the dance curriculum. With opportunities to perform in musicals, plays, and films as well as dance concerts, you can prepare for specialized careers in dance companies or in the professional theatre as a dancer who sings and acts...a unique benefit to you as a dancer.

Professional Performance Opportunities
The WSU Dance Program has established exchange programs with the Dayton Ballet and the Dayton Contemporary Dance Company offering a rare opportunity for students to dance professionally while earning a B.F.A. degree. Both companies are acclaimed for their professional training and performances. Dozens of these students have been hired to perform in the professional companies after graduation. Through this unique collaboration, you can work with cutting-edge choreographers and teachers to experience the full spectrum of dance training, so you’re ready for the next step in your career!

Imagine! Create! Dream!
A degree in Fine Arts from Wright State offers more performance and creative opportunities than you can possibly imagine. From your freshman to senior year, you have the opportunity to choreograph your own works and see them come to life on the stage. All juniors and seniors present their own unique choreography in our state of the art dance performance space. Whether it’s the Faculty Dance Concert, the Emerging Choreographers Concert, or the Fall Concert, you are actively creating and performing throughout your entire four years!
Thrilling Guest Artists
At Wright State, you will have constant contact with dance professionals and working artists at the top of their fields. Each year guest artists are commissioned to create new works on the dance majors, ranging from Broadway to internationally recognized choreographers. Many of our visiting choreographers have been on the “Top to Watch” lists of both *Dance* and *Pointe* magazines. Guest artists have included Dwight Rhoden, Adam Hougland, Greg Graham, Jon Lehrer, and Keisha Lalama. Working side by side in the studio with these top-notch choreographers helps you achieve the highest level of your art while making valuable connections to the current dance world.

Launch Your Career The Wright Way
Our graduates start work immediately. Wright State Dance program graduates average a 75% to 99% employment rate within six months of graduation. Over the course of your four years at Wright State, you’ll be prepared for working in all areas of the dance industry through intensive classroom training, workshops with visiting artists, and contact with industry professionals. Our alumni are realizing their dreams dancing for companies and shows around the world, from cruise ships in Australia, to Radio City Music Hall and back, and to professional dance companies nationally. Join our graduates who are performing in venues across the globe. Let WSU Dance Program be the right place for you!

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