Dance Education Certificate/ Associate Degree in General Studies: Dance Option

Program Overview
Dance is an expressive means of communication. It allows you to explore and develop your individuality and creativity. It teaches grace and poise, provides the opportunity for performance, and imparts the skills to enable the teaching of others.

NECC’s Dance Education Certificate or Associate Degree in General Studies: Dance Option is for you if you want to work in and/or open a dance studio, are interested in theater and music, or are creative and enjoy physical activity. You will be exposed to a variety of types of dance including Ballet, Jazz, and Modern Dance. You will learn to choreograph and will have ample opportunity to perform.

Career Opportunities
Below is a sample list of career opportunities in the Dance Field. Your certificate or two-year associate degree may prepare you for some of these careers, while others will require additional education, such as a four-year bachelor’s degree.

- Performance
- Choreography
- Dance Education
- Dance Therapy
- Dance Studio Operator
- Dance Criticism
Courses

Dance Education Certificate Courses

Year 1, Fall Semester
DAN101 Dance Composition
DAN121 Ballet
DAN141 Modern Dance
ENG101 English Composition I
MUS101 Introduction to Music

Year 1, Spring Semester
BUS102 Introduction to Entrepreneurship
DAN131 Jazz Dance
DAN203 Dance Pedagogy

Associate Degree in General Studies: Dance Option

Year 1, Fall Semester
DAN101 Dance Composition
DAN121 Ballet
DAN141 Modern Dance I
ENG101 English Composition I
MUS101 Introduction to Music

Year 1, Spring Semester
ANT101 Cultural Anthropology
DAN131 Jazz Dance
DAN147 World Dance I
ENG102 English Composition II

Year 2, Fall Semester
DAN102 Dance Performance
Dance Elective
Literature Elective
Math Elective

Year 2, Spring Semester
BUS102 Introduction to Entrepreneurship
DAN203 Dance Pedagogy
Dance Elective (2)
Science Elective

Additional Opportunities
As a student in this program, you are also eligible to participate in the NECC Dance Club and take part in annual dance performances. You can also participate in theatrical productions and concerts.

Getting Started
Ready to get started? It’s easy! Northern Essex has an open admissions policy, which means that if you have a high school diploma or GED/HISET or other state-approved equivalency credential, you are eligible to enroll at NECC. Just fill out an application, attend an orientation/assessment session, and then register for classes.

Program Requirements
CORI/CHRI/SORI: Students interested in participating in this academic program may be required to undergo a Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) check, a Criminal Records Central Repository (CHRI) check and/or a Sex Offender Record Information (SORI) check. For more information, visit www.necc.mass.edu/cori-sori.

Northern Essex Community College is committed to the success of every student. Students with legal issues in their background will meet with a committee as part of the CORI/CHRI/SORI process and will receive guidance and counseling throughout the review of their records. NECC personnel make every effort to help students prepare for careers in their chosen field. Students are encouraged to seek assistance and support.

For more information
Contact Michelle Deane at 978-556-3597 or mdeane@necc.mass.edu, visit our website at www.necc.mass.edu, or contact Enrollment Services at 978-556-3700.

Starting in fall 2014, any new student enrolled in an associate degree program must take at least one course designated as intensive in each of NECC’s six core academic skills in order to graduate. See www.necc.mass.edu/core-skills.