

# Best Choices Guide

## Visual & Performing Arts – Dance Option (BA)

This Associate of Arts degree is designed for Colorado Community College System (CCCS) students who want to transfer to UCCS and complete a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Visual & Performing Arts –Dance Option. It is based on the [best academic advising choices](#) for future UCCS students.

To earn the Associate of Arts Degree, students must complete the following course requirements for a total of 60 semester credit hours, at least 34 of which must be Colorado State-Guaranteed Courses. Courses taken at other colleges, AP, IB, CLEP, DSST, and other sources of credit may not be applicable upon transfer to UCCS even if applied to the associate’s degree at CCCS. Check the CDHE’s [GT Pathways](#) website for more information.

To transfer to UCCS, students should have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or better.

Degree Requirements	Courses	
<b>Written Communication</b> (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ENG 121</li> <li>ENG 122</li> </ul> <p><i>Note: Students who test into ENG 122 should take ENG 201 or HIS 265 as their second written communication course.</i></p>	
<b>Mathematics</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete one <a href="#">GT-MA1</a> Course (MAT 120 preferred)</li> </ul> <p><i>Note: Credits over 3 will be applied to the additional requirements below.</i></p>	
<b>Arts &amp; Humanities</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete one GT-AH course (<a href="#">GT-AH1</a>) (<a href="#">GT-AH2</a>) (<a href="#">GT-AH3</a>) (<a href="#">GT-AH4</a>) (<b>DO NOT</b> take any DAN courses for this requirement.)</li> </ul>	
<b>History</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete one GT-HI1 course (<a href="#">GT-HI1</a>) (<b>DO NOT</b> take more than one GT-HI course for this AA.)</li> </ul>	
<b>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences</b> (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete two GT-SS courses (<a href="#">GT-SS1</a>) (<a href="#">GT-SS2</a>) (<a href="#">GT-SS3</a>) (COM 220 and one course from ANT 101, GEO 105 or GEO 106 is recommended for this requirement for UCCS.)</li> </ul>	
<b>Physical and Life Sciences</b> (9 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete two GT-SC courses. (<a href="#">GT-SC1</a>) (<a href="#">GT-SC2</a>)</li> </ul> <p>At least one course <b>MUST</b> come from the GT-SC1 category.</p>	
<b>Additional Requirements</b> (30 hours) Courses recommended by UCCS for this degree.	THE 105	3
	DAN 211, 212, 221, 222	4
	DAN 221, 222	5
	DAN 254, 255	2
	DAN Electives	10
	General Electives	1

### Other AA/AS Requirements

- A minimum of 60 credit hours in a prescribed program of study with a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (a C average). At least 15 of these credit hours must be earned from CCCS.
- Only 6 elective credits are allowed in any combination of PED courses.
- Career and technical courses, whether taken at another institution or at CCCS, are not accepted toward this degree without approval of the CCCS Vice President for Instructional Services. Approval is given only when it is appropriate to the educational objectives of the student.
- Courses numbered below 100 do not apply towards degrees

### State-Wide Articulation Agreement

This guide is based on the Colorado state-wide transfer articulation for your major. For additional information regarding guarantees, limitations, and addendums to that agreement please visit the Guaranteed Transfer and Guided Pathways page on the Colorado Department of Higher Education website ([higher.ed.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/Students.html](http://higher.ed.colorado.gov/Academics/Transfers/Students.html)).

### Foreign Language Note – UCCS

UCCS admission requirements include 2 years of the same high school foreign language (or equivalent 2 semesters at Pikes Peak Community College). Students planning to attend UCCS who do not have the prerequisite foreign language requirement should consider enrolling in these courses in addition to the degree requirements. Students who do not meet this requirement will need to fulfill it upon transferring to UCCS. This admission requirement does not apply to those who graduated from high school prior to 1988, who have a GED, who graduated from a non-U.S. high school, or who can prove proficiency in a foreign language through the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester at college level. **Please check with the Transfer Advisor ([transfer@uccs.edu](mailto:transfer@uccs.edu)) to see if this requirement applies to you.**

### Additional Resources

The UCCS transfer website ([www.uccs.edu/transfer](http://www.uccs.edu/transfer)) has many additional resources for students transferring from CCCS to UCCS.

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## Four-Year Degree Plan - Visual & Performing Arts – Dance Option

The following four-year plan lists all the specific course requirements for the Bachelor of Arts in Visual & Performing Arts – Dance Option degree at UCCS. Courses are listed by the course number at the appropriate institution. The order in which these courses are taken may vary with course availability. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.** Please note that this is a *suggested* degree program; your program may vary.

### Suggested First Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	ENG 121	3		ENG 122	3
	THE 105	3		DAN 221	3
	DAN 125	3		DAN Electives	4
	DAN Electives	3		GT-MA1 course	3
	GT-AH course	3		General Elective	1
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		15			13

### Suggested Second Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	DAN 211	3		DAN 212	2
	DAN 222	2		DAN 254	2
	DAN Electives	1		DAN 255	2
	GT-HI1 course	3		DAN Electives	2
	GT-SC course	4		GT-SC1 course	5
	GT-SS course – 1 from ANT 101, GEO 105 or GEO 106	3		GT-SS course – COM 220	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		16			16

### Suggested Third Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	VAPA 1000-Level Course	3		VAPA 3000-Level Course	3
	THTR 2000	4		UD DNCE Technical Practicum	1
	THTR 2020	3		DNCE 3202	3
	DNCE 3201	3		DNCE 4710	3
	Upper-Division (UD) DNCE Choreography Practicum	1		Social Science Elective	3
	HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		17			15

### Suggested Fourth Year

FALL			SPRING		
√	Course	Hours	√	Course	Hours
	VAPA 3000-Level Course	3		DNCE 4710	3
	UD DNCE Practicum	1		DNCE 4393 (Capstone)	1
	UD DNCE Elective	3		UD DNCE Elective	3
	UD General Elective ( <i>Inclusiveness</i> )	3		UD General Elective	4
	UD General Elective ( <i>Sustainability</i> )	3		UD General Elective	4
		<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>TOTAL</b>
		13			15

### UCCS Bachelor of Arts, Visual & Performing Arts – Dance Option Major Requirements

- A minimum of 120 hours must be completed with a cumulative CU grade point average of 2.0; at least 45 of these hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999).
- The Visual & Performing Arts – Dance Option major requires a minimum of 60 hours with a grade point average of 2.0, and at least **33** or **25** of the hours must be at the upper-division level (courses numbered 3000-4999). **Last year's said 30, but not sure I'd checked that.**
- The last 30 hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences at UCCS.
- In addition to the requirements listed on this handout, students are required to complete one course in Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity and Global Awareness. The courses may be within the major, part of general education or electives. Visual & Performing Arts –Dance Option majors will have met the Cultural Diversity and Global Awareness requirements by completing COM 220 plus one course from ANT 101, GEO 105 or GEO 106 at the community college.

Prospective Student Advising: Transfer Advisor ([transfer@uccs.edu](mailto:transfer@uccs.edu))