

Department of Dance: Technique requirement

Each semester you are required to be in a MINIMUM of 7 technique classes a week (which equals 4 credit hours). The courses you register for should be the **core** section of modern, a section of ballet, and then **one more** section of technique (either more modern, more ballet, or one of the other courses listed below). The only exception to this is during your senior year, at which point if you have fulfilled your technique requirements for graduation (see your DARs report) - you are allowed to take only 5 classes per week, allowing more time for your thesis work.

If you need to make an exception to the rule stated above, you should do so with a departmental petition submitted to the faculty via your advisor **PRIOR TO THE START OF THE SEMESTER**. In some cases this might **ALSO** require an FAA petition (your advisor will let you know if that is the case).

Chart of Dance courses fulfilling TECHNIQUE and/or IMPROVISATION credit:

Course name and number:	Technique credit?	Improvisation credit?	Professional elective credit?
Modern at the major's level (160, 161, 260, 261, 360, 361, 460, 461)	YES	Only if it's listed with "improvisation in the title"	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
Ballet at the major's level (166, 167, 266, 267, 366, 367, 466, 467)	YES	NO	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
World forms (310: Capoeira, Balinese dance, Brazilian Rhythms, etc)	YES	NO	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
Tap at the Major's level (415)	YES	NO	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
Aerial	YES	NO	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
Jazz or Hip Hop at the Major's level (110, 410)	YES	NO	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
Improvisation I (162)	NO	YES	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
Improvisation for Musicians, Actors, and Dancers (259)	YES	YES	Only once the required hours in DARs are fulfilled
Alexander Technique (401, 402)	NO	NO	YES
Yoga For Dancers (301)	NO	NO	YES
Technique classes at the non-major level (101, 102, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 120, 121)****	No, unless approved via petition PRIOR to taking the course	NO	NO

****NOTE: several dance forms are offered each semester at the non-dance major level, and they **DO NOT** automatically count as technique. We would only consider this as an exception, and only by petition.

