This course is designed to instruct students interested in producing original choreography and performing in the dance studio at GWC and elsewhere in the community. They may also perform in an instructor's choreography. All aspects of the production are studied: Choreography lighting, costuming, publicity, music, scenery design, and staging. Placement by audition only. Enrollment not accepted until auditions at the first class meetings.
COURSE LEVEL STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOME(S) Supported by this course:

1. Design, in cooperation with other students, a dance concert in a studio that utilizes portable lighting, seating, stage flooring, backdrops, and curtain changes.
2. Perform a dance incorporating "performance quality material."
3. Perform many styles of dance.

COURSE OBJECTIVES:

1. Have an opportunity to create a dance from its beginnings to a performance level.
2. Work with peers in an organized manner as a choreographer lighting designer, costume designer and director of staging.
3. Participate in many styles of dance.
4. Have the opportunity to work creatively with the instructor and their peers in the creative process of producing a dance concert.
5. Develop an awareness of stage space and its relation to the choreography and the audience.
6. Perfect a dance so that it becomes "performance quality material."
7. Present a dance concert in a studio that will need portable lighting, seating, stage flooring, backdrops, and curtain changes.

COURSE CONTENT:

LECTURE CONTENT:

A. Lecture demonstrations
   1. Principles of studio production
      a. lighting design and techniques
      b. costuming
      c. scenic design
      d. make-up
      e. special effects
      f. stage management
      g. marketing including use of social media
      h. publicity including use of social media
      i. miscellaneous management aspects of studio dance production
      j. miscellaneous technical aspects of studio dance production

B. Principles of studio performance:
   1. Choreographic techniques and staging
   2. Rehearsal techniques
   3. Emphasis on stage space and how it relates to the choreography
   4. Theories
   5. Techniques
   6. Dynamics
   7. Working in an ensemble
   8. Rehearsal techniques

C. Techniques for evaluating music for use in studio dance performance
   1. Live music
   2. Recorded music
   3. Created music

D. Techniques for critical evaluation
   1. By instructor
   2. By students

E. Journal
LABORATORY CONTENT:

A. General dance warm-up exercises
B. Review and application of studio dance concert rehearsal and performance skills
C. Rehearsal of current completed works in repertoire
D. Preparation of completed works for performance in studio dance concert
E. Production of completed works for performance in studio dance concert

METHODS OF INSTRUCTION:

A. Lecture:
B. Lab:
C. Tutoring – noncredit:
D. Direct Study/IS:
E. Video One Way – Audio Two Way:
F. Field Experience:
G. Independent Study:

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNIQUES:

COURSE ASSIGNMENTS:

Reading Assignments

Dance: The Art of Production, Joan Schlaich and Betty Dupont
A reading list from the library and handout sheets of the theatre dance terms will be given in class.

Out-of-class Assignments

View off campus productions as a comparison to their own production.

Writing Assignments

1. Write a critique of a performance in dance
2. Write a personal performance evaluation.
3. Write a critique of the course itself.

METHODS OF STUDENT EVALUATION:

Midterm Exam
Final Exam
Report
Projects (ind/group)
Problem Solving Exercises
Skills Demonstration

Demonstration of Critical Thinking:

The course will provide a challenge to an intermediate/advanced performer--allowing him/her to see a dance from it's beginnings to it's final presentation.

Required Writing, Problem Solving, Skills Demonstration:

1. Write a critique of a performance in dance
2. Write a personal performance evaluation.
3. Write a critique of the course itself.

TEXTS, READINGS, AND RESOURCES:

Other:
1. Leotards, tights, dance shoes, and all costume materials plus props as needed.

LIBRARY:

Adequate library resources include:

Comments:
Attachments:
Attached Files