

HNC/D in Dance

Ofsted Outstanding Provider

Course Level: Level 4 | **Campus: Newcastle** | **Subject Type: Music & Performing Arts**

Course Overview:

Unleash your potential and dance your way into a successful career with a HNC in Dance.

This qualification provides students with an excellent foundation for diverse careers in the performing arts industry. This highly practical course will give you training in all styles of dance, with particular technique classes to become a versatile employable dancer.

What's Covered:

The HNC/D in dance is delivered by experienced industry professionals. Through hands on classes and workshops, students collaborate both individually and, in groups to develop and refine their skills.

Tutors with extensive dance experience provide guidance, combining practical expertise with in-depth theoretical knowledge of the industry. Students engage with real-life briefs and vocational scenarios, and at least three public performances are held each year, offering valuable opportunities to hone skills in preparation for a professional career in dance and (or) progression into third year top up *degree training.

HNC - Module A: Process and Practice

A1: Concept and Development

A2: Creative Project

HND - Module B: Professional Creative Practice

B1: Personal Professional Development

B2: Professional Project

- Jazz
- Ballet
- Contemporary
- Commercial
- Tap technique
- Choreography and Devising Theatre
- Professional Practice and self-promotion

Guest workshops include industry professionals giving you the chance to learn directly from dancers currently working and gain insight into real-world dance life.

Performance opportunities are likely to include:

Devised Theatre Performance
– Collaborate to create original work, using dance as a powerful tool for communication and storytelling.

Choreography Showcase
– create and preform in choreographed pieces, developing technique, confidence, stage

presence, and expressive performance skills

Final Major Performance Projects
– Rehearse and show case skills in a performance project that prepare for performing arts expectations.

Entry Requirements:

Typically, you will need to have achieved a minimum of an overall merit in a relevant BTEC Extended Diploma course in a performing arts subject, OR 2 A Levels at grade C. The college also welcomes applications from mature students and students with relevant experience but without formal qualifications. Those already working within the creative industries who wish to obtain accreditation for their skills and to enhance them may also apply.

All prospective students will need to provide a personal statement prior to interview. You will then be interviewed and auditioned where you will need to perform either two contrasting monologues, two contrasting dances or a song and a dance, for each pathway, or a portfolio of evidence from working on various events.

Assessment Information:

This course is entirely coursework based. It is taught as separate units of study that explore different areas of acting or dance. You will be assessed continuously throughout the year as you complete each task within a unit of study. Tasks vary and include practical work, written reports, presentations and performances.

Fees and Financial Support:

There are two types of loans to help students cover the costs of their higher education course in college - tuition fee loans and living cost loans (also called maintenance loans). You pay these loans back when you finish your course and earn over £25,000. If you earn less than that, you won't have to repay anything. If you're earning more than that, we'll work out your repayments at 9% of your income over that amount.

Maintenance loans are only available to students studying on a full-time basis. They are not available for students studying on a part-time basis. For more details visit nscg.ac.uk/finance

Progression:

On the successful completion of the HNC, subject to numbers, you could progress onto the Level 5 HND course.

*You will also receive advice and guidance on applying to study at university for a BA (Hons) degree 'top-up' year on completion of the HND.

How do I find out more?

For more information, email performingarts@nscg.ac.uk