# Sample Four-Year Degree Plan

## B.F.A. DANCE

The State University of New York at Fredonia is committed to doing our part to provide each student a clear path to graduation. This four-year degree plan is a sample map for fulfilling requirements in the major, the College Core Curriculum (CCC), and other supporting courses. The pathway that you take to your degree may differ somewhat from this illustration, depending on where you start and the detours and side trips you may take along the way. If you are committed to completing your degree in four years, we encourage you to consider signing up for the Fredonia in 4 program. For complete information about this degree program, please consult the university catalog at fredonia.smartcatalogiq.com

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**TOTAL**: 15

**GRAND TOTAL**: 121

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The B.F.A. Dance degree provides training for dance professionals within a liberal arts education. In addition to intensive technical training in a variety of dance styles, additional studies in choreography, repertory, dance history, kinesiology, and musical training are required. The dance program curriculum is consistent with the guidelines developed by The National Association of Schools of Dance. Acceptance to the dance major is by audition.
Why Pursue the Arts at Fredonia?

Fredonia offers the most comprehensive array of arts degrees in the SUNY system. Furthermore, at Fredonia you’ll experience the best of two worlds: training and performance on par with top conservatories and the core academics of a liberal arts institution.

Conservatory experience enriched by — and enriching — the liberal arts

- On our campus of 4,800 students, 1,000 are majoring in the arts.
- We’re all about collaborative artistic endeavors, not only among the arts but with sciences, humanities, education, and business.
- You’ll develop your skills and talents, but also your discipline. Almost all of our programs require an audition or portfolio review for admission. Our students are competitive and strive for high achievement, yet are supportive of each other.
- We’re fully accredited by the National Arts Accrediting Associations in Music, Theatre, and Art and Design. Music Education degrees — grad and undergrad — are accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

Thrive in exceptional facilities

Michael C. Rockefeller Arts Center features a 1,100-seat concert hall, proscenium and black box theatres, art galleries and a dance theatre. Expanded and renovated in 2016, RAC includes state-of-the-art sculpture, ceramics, printmaking, drawing and painting studios; animation, illustration, graphic design and theatre design labs; theatre and dance rehearsal studios, and scenic and costume shops. Mason Hall (School of Music) features an acoustically exquisite recital hall, outstanding rehearsal facilities and sound recording studios — plus over 100 individual practice rooms.

Be inspired by stellar guest artists

Workshops, performances and master classes have been presented by Yo-Yo Ma, Arturo Sandoval, Christo, Judy Kuhn, Rosy Simas, Dawn Upshaw, Jon Lehrer, Albert Paley, and Paul Taylor Dance.

Performance and exhibition opportunities abound

- Walter Gloor Mainstage Series — four full-scale shows annually, including a musical in collaboration with the School of Music
- Cathy and Jesse Marion Art Gallery — seven exhibitions annually, including three student shows
- Hillman Opera — an annual fully-staged production of the School of Music and Department of Theatre and Dance
- Fredonia Dance Ensemble — original dance works choreographed by our faculty and guest artists
- Performing Arts Company — a student-run theatre club presents four shows a year
- Orchesis — student-run dance ensemble features works by student choreographers
- Ethos New Music Society — a student club presenting cutting-edge guest composers and performers

Exceptional professors

- Learn from faculty who play, sing, act, compose, choreograph, exhibit, curate, and publish across the country and around the world

What can you do with a degree in Dance, Music, Theatre, or Visual Arts?

- Perform in all kinds of musical ensembles, theatres, film, and web-based media.
- Design and produce graphics, web pages, photography, and video.
- Design and produce lighting, scenery, costumes, and special effects for stage and screen.

Accomplished arts alumni

- Brian Usifer — musical director, “Kinky Boots”
- Amanda Bottoms — pursuing a Master’s at The Juilliard School
- Jennifer Cody — Broadway and regional actor
- Leah Yerpe — independent visual artist in New York City
- Kent Knappenberger — first GRAMMY winner for Music Educator.

You’re ready for the challenge. fredonia.edu