

Course of Study
Performing Arts - Dance

Freshman - Dance

Dance I	15 credits
CP or Honors English I	5 credits
CP or Honors U.S. History I	5 credits
CP or Honors Level Mathematics	5 credits
CP or Honors Lab Biology	5 credits
CP or Honors Spanish or Italian I	5 credits
Fitness for Life I	5 credits

Sophomore – Dance

Dance II	15 credits
CP or Honors English II	5 credits
CP or Honors U.S. History II	5 credits
CP or Honors Level Mathematics	5 credits
CP or Honors Lab Chemistry	5 credits
Fitness for Life II	5 credits
Elective (World Language, Financial Literacy, or Elective)	5 credits

Junior - Dance

Dance III	7.5 credits
College Level Fundamentals of Jazz Dance	7.5 credits
CP or Honors English III	5 credits
CP, Honors, or College Level World History	5 credits
CP or Honors Level Mathematics	5 credits
CP or Honors Lab Science	5 credits
Fitness for Life III or Fitness for Life III – Indep/Sports	5 credits
One Elective (World Language, Financial Literacy, or Elective)	5 credits

Senior – Dance

College Level Phys Fitness/Contemporary Health at RCSJ, Fitness for Life IV or Fitness for Life IV- Indep/Sports	5 credits
CP, Honors or College Level English Composition 101 at RCSJ	5 credits
Financial Literacy or Performing Arts or World Language IV or Electives	5-30 credits

Dance I

15 credits

This course is designed for the serious minded individual who wishes to fully explore their artistic discipline. The goal of the program is to introduce students, with a proficient dance background, to a variety of dance disciplines (Ballet I, Modern Dance I, Rhythmic Concepts/Jazz Dance I and Dance History I) and equip them with a high degree of technical proficiency in all of these disciplines. It is our intent to instill a solid work ethic (sense of professionalism) in our students, and provide them with the business acumen and scientific base of knowledge necessary for success in the dance field.

Dance II

15 credits

Students will be able to expand on their understanding of the artistic discipline of dance. The goal of the program is to further enhance the students, with a proficient dance background, to a variety of dance disciplines (Ballet, Modern dance, Rhythmic concepts and Dance History) and equip them with a high degree of technical proficiency in all of these disciplines. They will expand on their understanding of the use of the common elements of time, space, and energy as they pertain to all dance forms. Finally, they will be able to demonstrate by example a working knowledge of applied anatomy and kinesiology. In addition, students will explore the history of modern dance from its beginnings within the early 20th Century to today's current trends in post-modern dance.

Dance III

7.5 credits

The students will continue to explore the primary disciplines of Ballet, Modern, and Jazz Dance/Rhythmic Concepts in a holistic way. The emphasis of the dance training will be on anatomically correct movement as it applies to dance technique. They will expand on their understanding of the use of the common elements of time, space, and energy as they pertain to all dance forms. In addition, students will connect the history of Classical Ballet, Contemporary Ballet Modern Dance, Post-Modern Dance, Jazz Dance, Theater Dance, and Vernacular Dance to gain insight of how dance affects our society. The students will explore the compositional devices used in developing choreography. They will focus on the elements of dance (space, time, energy, and shape) as a place to begin the process of making dances. The course will conclude in a collaborative work involving all of the students as well as the instructor.

College Level Fundamentals of Jazz Dance

7.5 credits

Fundamentals of Jazz introduces students to a comprehensive style and technique rooted in traditional jazz dance and to a variety of movement concepts of contemporary jazz dance. The concepts and techniques covered in this class reflect the evolution of jazz dance in America, and evolution due in great part to various music, cultural and social dance influences throughout its history. **Must meet college Placement Test Exemption.*

Dance Track – Senior

1. Take HSOP courses on RCSJ's campus for a discounted fee.
2. Take College English Composition 101 and College Physical Fitness/Contemporary Health on RCSJ's campus and return to GCIT for elective courses that can be found under the "Elective" title in this course guide.
3. Take CP or Honors level English and Fitness for Life and additional electives on GCIT or RCSJ's campus.