

# DANCE EDUCATION MINOR FOR ELEMENTARY TEACHING

*Approved by the Michigan Department of Education  
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## **CLARIFICATION OF OPTIONS:**

**Elementary Certification track with a K-8 endorsement**--minor only. You will not be required to teach in your minor, but if you choose to do so it will need to be in a dance setting at BOTH the Secondary and Elementary levels.

The Dance minor for an Elementary teaching certificate consists of a minimum of 20.5 credits. Students interested in using dance and the arts in the elementary general education classroom should take the Fine Arts Composite instead of the traditional dance minor.

Candidates for certification in this minor must pass the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) in Dance Education. You must demonstrate your knowledge in the following categories:

1. Dance Forms                      11-20 items
2. Technical Elements            1-10 items
3. Dance Production              21-30 items
4. Dance and Culture              21-30 items

You may access a study guide at the MTTC testing site; the courses below have been selected so that you will be well prepared for the test.

## PERFORMANCE/TECHNIQUE – REQUIRED

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
<b>REQUIRED:</b>				
DAN 110	Folk, Social and Swing Dance	1		
<b>Must take a minimum of 2 credits in each dance form (modern, jazz, ballet, tap) (8 credits)</b> <b>Placement at Levels I, II, and III depends on candidate's entering technical level and will progress through requirements developmentally.</b>				
DAN 120	Modern Dance I	1		
DAN 122	Modern Dance II	1		
DAN 125	Modern Dance III	1		
DAN 127	Modern Dance IV	1		
DAN 140	Jazz I	1		
DAN 142	Jazz II	1		
DAN 145	Jazz III	1		
DAN 147	Jazz IV	1		
DAN 150	Tap I	1		
DAN 152	Tap II	1		
DAN 155	Tap III	1		
DAN 160	Ballet -- Novice	1		
DAN 162	Ballet I	1		
DAN 165	Ballet III	1		
DAN 167	Ballet – Pointe	1		
DAN 312	Dance Technique V	2		

DANCE STUDIES/THEORY – REQUIRED (11.5 credits)

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
DAN 201	Eurhythmics	.5		
DAN 221	Anatomical Kinesiology	3		
DAN 300	Improvisation I	1		
DAN 305	Composition I	2		
DAN 310	Creative Dance for Children	2		
DAN 316	Dance History Survey	3		

*The following methods course is required, but counts toward teacher certification, **NOT** the Dance minor.*

METHODOLOGY AND PEDAGOGY 2 credits

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
DAN 315	Teaching of Dance	2		

ELECTIVES

SUBJECT/ COURSE	TITLE	CREDIT HOURS	SEMESTER	GRADE
DAN 480	Composition II	3		

         **GPA in Elementary Dance minor (2.5 is required to qualify for student teaching)**