

Course ID:	Course Title:	Fall 2021
DA 203	Ballet Technique I	Prerequisite: DA 103 or TH 203
		Credits: 1.5

Class Information		Instructor Information		Important Dates	
Delivery:	In Class	Instructor:	Tyler Day	First Day of Classes:	September 8, 2021
Days:	W	Email:	Tyler.day@ambrose.edu	Last Day to Add/Drop:	September 19, 2021
Time:	1:30-2:45 p.m.	Phone:	587 – 582 - 9482	Last Day to Withdraw:	November 22, 2021
Room:	RELL216	Office:		Last Day to Apply for Extension:	November 23, 2021
Lab/ Tutorial:	n/a	Office Hours:		Last Day of Classes:	December 8, 2021
Final Exam:	Yes (in-class final)				

Important Dates and Information

For a list of all important dates and information regarding participating in classes at Ambrose University, please refer to the Academic Calendar at https://ambrose.edu/academic-calendar

Course Description

Explores the vocabulary and movement range of classical ballet technique at the intermediate level. Attention will be given to body placement, balance, flexibility and strength. Emphasis will be placed on integrated movement, alignment, classical ballet vocabulary, and artistic expression. Attendance at one assigned ballet performance is mandatory.

Program Outcomes

Ambrose Arts' Dance Minor and courses in dance are designed to deepen each student's understanding of dance and to grow dance skillfulness. Students receive training in the tenets of dance history, applied practice, and choreographic skills, while being encouraged to explore the intersection of their faith and art. Outcomes are divided into three area of competency:

The Dancer's CRAFT OUTCOMES

- 1. A physical and conceptual understanding of the dance form
- 2. The ability to engage in creative and critical response process in dance
- 3. Perform choreography as part of **collaborative events** that include the music and/or theatre program at Ambrose Arts

The Dancer's CAREER OUTCOMES

1. Build personal dance capacity within any future career

The Dancer's CHARACTER OUTCOMES

- 1. Demonstrate an integration of art and faith in life and practice
- 2. Examine the role of dance as a tool for therapy, social justice, and religious expression

A thorough description of each outcome is available by contacting the Chair of Ambrose Arts.

Expected Course Learning Outcomes

Students in DA 203 will be expected to demonstrate:

- 1. An intermediate knowledge of ballet technique
- 2. Understanding of complex musicality, timing, and rhythm
- 3. Improved coordination, alignment, and posture of all movements
- 4. Understanding of selected ballet vocabulary
- 5. Execution of selected barre and centre exercises

Textbooks

None

Course Schedule

W, Sept 8: First Day of Classes Th, Sept 9: Convocation Chapel W, Oct 6: Deeper Life Conference – NO DAYTIME CLASSES M, Oct 11: Thanksgiving – NO DAYTIME CLASSES Oct 21-29 Alberta Ballet, Swan Lake Performance T, Nov 4, Dress Rehearsal(tentative) F, Nov 5 Orchestra + Dance Performance (St. Stephen's Anglican Church) M-F, Nov 8-12: Reading Week – NO CLASSES T, Nov 16, Swan Lake Paper is due at 11:59 PM W, Dec 8: Last Day of Classes and Final Exam

Requirements:

All students are required to wear appropriate attire to class. They should wear form fitting clothing such as tights, leggings, bodysuits/leotards, and ballet shoes, as well their hair should be pulled back from their face and preferably be tied into a bun. Any dance attire can be purchased at one of the dances stores in the city, such as... -Bodythings Dancewears

-City Dancewear

There will be one major assignment for this class that is worth 20% of the final grade. It will be a 1250 word paper on the performance of Alberta Ballet Swan Lake(Oct 21-29). I will be looking for the following criteria...

-Analyzing of Technique

-Use of miming

-Story through classical ballet

-Difference between Corps de Ballet and Soloist work

-Overall performance and enjoyment

The paper is due Tuesday, November 16th and 11:59 PM.

Attendance:

Attendance is a large factor in the grade at 20% of the final mark. I will be look for...

-Being on time

-Prepared and ready to work(proper clothes and hair, warming up, positive attitude)

-Participation

-Work ethic

-Taking direction

Mid-term/Performance:

The mid-term exam will be in the form of a performance with Orchestra at St. Stephan Anglican Church on Friday November 5 and will be worth 30% of your grade. You will be performing an ensemble piece for a portion of Stravinsky's Pulcinella Suite. Dancers will be expected to perform the proper choreography while applying all the technical corrections given during the semester. There will be a dress rehearsal and possibly a technical rehearsal(TBA).

Final Exam:

The final exam will be held on the last day of class (Wednesday, December 8th) and will be worth 30% of the overall grade. It will be a demonstration of the steps that we have worked on through the semester.

Grade Summary:

The available letters for course grades are as follows:

Grade	Interpretation	Grade Points
A+	Excellent	4.00
А		4.00
A-		3.70
B+	Good	3.30
В		3.00
B-		2.70
C+	Satisfactory	2.30
C		2.00
C-		1.70
D+	Poor	1.30

D		1.0
F	Failure	0.00
Р	Pass	No Grade Points

Because of the nature of the Alpha 4.00 system, there can be no uniform University-wide conversion scale. The relationship between raw scores (e.g. percentages) and the resultant letter grade will depend on the nature of the course and the instructor's assessment of the level of each class, compared to similar classes taught previously.

Please note that final grades will be available on student registration system. Printed grade sheets are not mailed out.

Ambrose University Important Information:

Communication

All students have received an Ambrose e-mail account upon registration. It is the student's responsibility to check this account regularly as the Ambrose email system will be the professor's instrument for notifying students of important matters (cancelled class sessions, extensions, requested appointments, etc.) between class sessions.

Exam Scheduling

Students who find a conflict in their exam schedule must submit a Revised Examination Request form to the Registrar's Office by the deadline date; please consult the Academic Calendar. Requests will be considered for the following reasons only: 1) the scheduled final examination slot conflicts with another exam; 2) the student has three final exams within three consecutive exam time blocks; 3) the scheduled final exam slot conflicts with an exam at another institution; 4) extenuating circumstances. Travel is not considered a valid excuse for re-scheduling or missing a final exam.

Standards of Behaviour in the Classroom Setting

Learning is an active and interactive process, a joint venture between student and instructor and between student and student. Some topics covered within a class may lead to strong reactions and opinions. It is important that Students understand that they are entitled to hold contradictory beliefs and that they should be encouraged to engage with these topics in a critical manner. Committing to this type of "active learning" significantly increases the learning experience for both teacher and student, and reflects the Christian imperative to pursue truth, which lies at the heart of the Ambrose educational experience. However, active discussion of controversial topics will be undertaken with respect and empathy, which are the foundations of civil discourse in the Classroom Setting. Primary responsibility for managing the classroom rests with the instructor. The instructor may direct a student to leave the class if the student engages in any behaviour that disrupts the classroom setting. If necessary, Ambrose security will be contacted to escort the student from class. Please refer to your professor regarding their electronic etiquette expectations.

Academic Integrity

We are committed to fostering personal integrity and will not overlook breaches of integrity such as plagiarism and cheating. Academic dishonesty is taken seriously at Ambrose University as it undermines our academic standards and affects the integrity of each member of our learning community. Any attempt to obtain credit for academic work through fraudulent, deceptive, or dishonest means is academic dishonesty. Plagiarism involves presenting someone else's ideas, words, or work as one's own. Plagiarism is fraud and theft, but plagiarism can also occur by accident when a student fails or forgets to acknowledge to another person's ideas or words. Plagiarism and cheating can result in a failing grade for an assignment, for the course, or immediate dismissal from the university. Students are expected to be familiar with the policies in the current Academic Calendar that deal with plagiarism, cheating, and the penalties and procedures for dealing with these matters. All cases of academic dishonesty are reported to the Academic Dean and become part of the student's permanent record.

Academic Policies

It is the responsibility of all students to become familiar with and adhere to academic policies as stated in the Academic Calendar. The academic calendar can be found at https://ambrose.edu/content/academic-calendar-2

Privacy

Personal information (information about an individual that may be used to identify that individual) may be required as part of taking this class. Any information collected will only be used and disclosed for the purpose for which the collection was intended. For further information contact the Privacy Compliance Officer at privacy@ambrose.edu.

Coursework Extensions

Should a request for a time extension on coursework exceed the end of the term, a *Coursework Extension Application* must be completed and submitted to the Office of the Registrar. The extension (if granted) will be recorded on the student record. Extensions are granted at the discretion of the instructor and are normally granted for 30 days beyond the last day of the term.

Normally, Course Extension Applications will be considered only when all of the following conditions are met:

- the quality of prior course work has been satisfactory;
- circumstances beyond your control, such as an extended illness or death of a family member, make it impossible for you to complete the course work on time; and
- you submit *Coursework Extension Application* to the Office of the Registrar on or before the deadline specified in the Academic Schedule.

If granted, time extensions do not excuse you from a final examination where one has been scheduled for the course.

A temporary grade of TX will be assigned until a final grade is submitted in accordance with the new deadline. A final grade of F will apply to:

• all course work submitted after the end of the semester unless a coursework extension has been granted; and all course work submitted after the revised due date provided by an approved extension to coursework.

Academic Success and Supports

Accessibility Services

Academic accommodation is provided to Ambrose students with disabilities in accordance with the Alberta Human Rights Act and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Provision of academic accommodation does not lower the academic standards of the university nor remove the need for evaluation and the need to meet essential learning outcomes. Reasonable accommodations are tailored to the individual student, are flexible, and are determined by considering the barriers within the unique environment of a

postsecondary institution. It can take time to organize academic accommodations and funding for disability-related services. Students with a disability who wish to have an academic accommodation are encouraged to contact Accessibility Services as early as possible to ensure appropriate planning for any needs that may include accommodations. Staff can then meet with students to determine areas to facilitate success, and if accommodations are required, ensure those accommodations are put in place by working with faculty.

Ambrose Writing Services

Ambrose Writing services provides academic support in the four foundational literacy skills—listening, speaking, reading, and writing. It also assists students with critical thinking and the research process. Throughout the academic year, students can meet with a writing tutor for personalized support, or they can attend a variety of workshops offered by Academic Success. These services are free to students enrolled at Ambrose University. Academic Success serves all students in all disciplines and at all levels, from history to biology and from theatre to theology. To learn more, please visit https://ambrose.edu/writingcentre

Ambrose Tutoring Services

Ambrose Tutoring Services provides support in specific disciplinary knowledge, especially in high-demand areas such as chemistry, philosophy, math and statistics, and religious studies. These tutors also coach students in general study skills, including listening and note-taking. During the academic year, Ambrose Tutoring Services offers drop-in tutoring for courses with high demand; for other courses, students can book a one-to-one appointment with a tutor in their discipline. These services are free to students enrolled at Ambrose University. To learn more, please visit https://ambrose.edu/tutoring.

Mental Health Support

All of us need a support system. We encourage students to build mental health supports and to reach out when help is needed.

On Campus:

- Counselling Services: ambrose.edu/counselling
- Peer Supportive Listening: One-to-one support in Student Life office. Hours posted at ambrose.edu/wellness.
- For immediate crisis support, there are staff on campus who are trained in Suicide Intervention and Mental Health First Aid. See ambrose.edu/crisissupport for a list of staff members.

Off Campus:

- Distress Centre 403-266-4357
- Sheldon Chumir Health Care Centre 403-955-6200
- Emergency 911

Sexual Violence Support

All staff, faculty, and Residence student leaders have received *Sexual Violence Response to Disclosure* training. We will support you and help you find the resources you need. There is a website with on and off campus supports – ambrose.edu/sexual-violence-response-and-awareness.

Off Campus:

- Clinic: Sheldon Chumir Health Centre 403-955-6200
- Calgary Communities Against Sexual Abuse 403-237-5888

Note: Students are strongly advised to retain this syllabus for their records.