



Dance Studies, B.A.

Shape your future at Humboldt. We are a small, hands-on program dedicated to serving our students. We offer a variety of academic courses and dance styles to study, with multiple opportunities to perform, collaborate, and choreograph. Our students receive a thorough education in the practice, history, theory, and language of dance as an art form, including projects that challenge students to explore topics such as social justice, equality, and diverse cultures. Our curriculum prepares students for viable careers in dance, dance-related arts and graduate studies. The natural beauty of the area creates an inspiring backdrop for our students.

Experience Your Learning

Our department offers a wide variety of ways to learn by doing. Experience and practice in a broad range of technical, performance, and creative skills develop your capacity to form and transform thought into expressive composition and performance.

The North Coast provides a unique learning lab for students, inspiring creativity that can't be found elsewhere.

You can participate in annual dance conferences, learn from professional dance companies, and dance in performances.

There are a number of dance clubs on campus, including Ballet Folklorico de Humboldt, Salsa Dance Club, Lindy Hop Club, Demolition Dance Team Club, Swing Dance Club, and more.

There are several dance studios in the area that offer a variety of dance classes for students who want to take extra classes. They also often hire Humboldt students to teach.

Did you know?

- Humboldt has a variety of practice and performance spaces, including a 750-seat theater.
- Our dance faculty excel in a wide range of specialties, experience, and perspectives of dance forms, which enhance our Interdisciplinary Dance Studies program.



Academics & Options

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The Bachelor of Arts in Dance Studies incorporates interdisciplinary perspectives and provides multiple opportunities for artistic collaboration. The program also offers an option for students who want to develop their teaching skills.

Minor

- Minor in Dance Studies



Careers

The Dance Studies program is designed to encourage students in their artistic, creative and technical endeavors, and to prepare students for careers or advanced graduate studies.

- Performer
- Choreographer
- Dance Educator
- Dance Photographer
- Arts Administrator
- Dance Studio Owner
- Dance Company Manager
- Dance Critic
- Dance Historian



The interdisciplinary Dance program really dives into the practice, cares about your individual growth, and challenges your ideas to be pushed further. The program has many opportunities for individuals to connect with the Humboldt dance community and will continue their relationship with you after graduation. Not only did this program prepare me for the dance industry, I gained the leadership skills to inspire a large group in my current position and make a difference in my community."

Austin Silavong ('19, Dance Studies), Co-Director of Kiddie Academy of Williamsburg