

KNEA 141- Ballroom Dance  
TR-9:00-10:15  
TR-10:30-11:45  
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**Overview:** Dance program designed to develop skills and knowledge of a variety of social dances.

**Course Objectives:** The student will

- A. Acquire knowledge of the fundamental locomotive and non-locomotive skills and techniques used in social dance.
- B. Demonstrate basic dance steps, dance patterns, combinations of patterns and dance positions.
- C. Develop socially through structured and non-structured contact with others
- D. Have an improved sense of musically as it applies to social dancing

## ***Policies***

**Attendance:** Active participation is essential to success in this course. If you cannot dance, don't come to class. There are 29 full participation days scheduled. Students earn five (5) points for each Full day of participation. Students with perfect attendance will have five (5) Extra points added to their final points earned.

**Tardies:** Students are expected to be on time. Roll is taken at the beginning of class. After cards have been put away the student is considered tardy. Three (3) tardies equal one (1) absence. If students miss roll call, please see instructor after class. Tardies are cumulative throughout the semester.

**Absences:** A maximum of three (3) excused absences will be accepted during the semester and do not have to be made up. Excused absences include a death in the family, hospitalization of student or serious medical illness where student is under the care of a physician. For the absence to be marked excused, written proof must be submitted to the instructor within two scheduled class meetings following the absence. Students are responsible for all missed work and are expected to initiate a conference regarding any absence.

**Test:** Scheduled examinations are to be taken on the date set by the instructor. Make-up examinations will not be given. A grade of zero (0) will be given on any missed test.

**Extracurricular Activities:** Student participating in any form of extracurricular activity that may cause the student to be absent from class must present to the instructor written notice of these specific class periods beforehand. The student is required to make up all missed work. This work must be handed in on time unless otherwise stipulated. **THE STUDENT** must initiate all conferences concerning missed class work with the instructor.

**Cheating:** A student observed to be cheating or participating in academic, dishonesty of any kind will be given a choice of dropping the course with an “F” or going before the University Disciplinary Committee.

**Classroom Behavior:** Any behavior that interferes with either the instructor’s ability to conduct the class or the ability of students to benefit from the instruction is not acceptable. Any student participating in undesired behaviors will be asked to leave the class.

**Expectations:** It is expected that all males will dance with all females and visa versa during the semester. It is also expected that the females will alternate each class period dancing the male part. Each day you will be expected to dance with someone different than you danced with day before. There is something to be learned from each dance partner.

**Grading Scale:**

- A = 90-100
- B = 80-89
- C = 70-79
- D = 60-69
- F = 0-59

**Valuables:** Please do not bring money or expensive jewelry to class

**Cell Phones:** **PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES** during class time especially during evaluations.

Requirements:

1. UL email account
2. Students must wear proper shoes as indicated by instructor: shoes w/leather soles, jazz dance shoes, bowling shoes. NO high heels, slides, or bare feet permitted.
3. One (1) test worth 50 points
4. Attendance worth 145 points (5 points for each of 29 class meetings)
5. There is a Final Presentation with a partner/group worth 75 points
6. The best three (3) of four (4) skills tests worth 20 points each
7. Quizzes, assignments and extra point assignments