Welcome to Texas A&M University's Dance Program! The following handbook provides the information you will need throughout your study of Dance at TAMU. It contains details about degree plans, an annual layout of classes, performance opportunities, facility specifications and rules, faculty information and other useful resources. This handbook will serve you during your career at TAMU, in conjunction with information from dance faculty and academic advisors. For clarification on anything provided in this handbook please ask any member of the dance faculty.

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Degree Options in Dance
The technical focus of the Dance Program at Texas A&M University is ballet and modern dance. The Department of Health and Kinesiology offers three degree options in dance. All students seeking degrees in dance must complete an application and audition process. These auditions allow the Dance Faculty to evaluate a student's technical level in ballet and modern and assess their ability to complete the desired degree option.

Bachelor of Kinesiology: Dance Science track
The BS in Kinesiology: Dance Science track is a 120 hour degree plan which focuses on dance research, anatomy, nutrition, injury prevention, psychological aspects of the dancer and proper biomechanical principles within dance technique. Additional coursework include Dance Production, Dance Composition, Pilates, Dance History, Partnering, Improvisation, and Dance Pedagogy.

University Studies Degree - Dance Concentration
The University Studies: Dance Concentration is an interdisciplinary degree consisting of core curriculum classes, an area of concentration and 2 minors. Although students can choose their own minor, some capatable minors are business, music, creative studies, leadership, English, education, among many others.

Dance Minor
The Dance Minor is 18 hours, consisting of technique and lecture courses in dance. This minor can be used with most majors on campus.
As a Kinesiology; dance science major, students will complete a total of 60 points of field-based experiences and must include hours from each of the following with a minimum of 10 points in each area: dance research, pilates lab and technical production practicum. Hours need to be completed prior to graduation; with a minimum of 70% being complete PRIOR to admittance into the professional phase. Students may use the following documents to keep track of their hours.

Texas A&M University Dance Program
Portfolio: Dance Science/Research Hours

Name: ____________________________________________     Date: ____________________

Name of Research Project: _________________________________________________________

Description of your participation:
______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________
______________________________________________________________________________

Number of Hours participated: ____________________

Supervisor’s name: ________________________________________________

Contact Information:
Phone number: ________________________________

Email: __________________________________________

Supervisor’s Signature: ________________________________________________________
## Pilates Lab Hours

**Student Name:** ________________________________

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