

DANCE: NATIONAL 5

Why Dance ?

This course is for all students who have an interest in and enthusiasm for developing their dance ability and performance, as well as broaden their learning experience in practical context. The skills they will develop are creativity, confidence, leadership, problem solving including benefits to health and wellbeing.

The aims of the Course are to enable learners to:

- ◆ develop a range of technical dance skills
- ◆ understand and apply knowledge of a range of choreographic skills to create a dance
- ◆ work imaginatively and demonstrate individual creativity
- ◆ co-operate, support and work with others
- ◆ consider how theatre arts can enhance a performance
- ◆ develop knowledge, understanding and appreciation of dance practice
- ◆ apply the principles of safe dance practice in relation to physical wellbeing
- ◆ evaluate their own work and the work of others

The Course provides opportunities for vertical and lateral progression to National Courses and other SQA qualifications in dance and related fields.

Course title: National 5 Dance

SCQF: level 5 (24 SCQF credit points)

Course code: C71875

Mandatory Units

H22R 75 Dance: Technical Skills (National 5) 9 SCQF credit points

And

H22S 75 Dance: Choreography (National 5) 9 SCQF credit points

Course assessment 6 SCQF credit points

This Course includes six SCQF credit points to allow additional time for preparation for Course assessment. The Course assessment covers the added value of the Course. Further information on the Course assessment is provided in the Assessment section.

Recommended entry

This Course is a broad-based qualification, suitable for all learners with an interest in dance. It is suitable for learners with a general interest in the subject or for those wanting to progress onto higher levels of study.

Progression

This Course or its Units may provide progression to:

- ◆ Higher Dance
- ◆ a range of dance-related NPAs, including Dance NPA at SCQF level 5 and Musical Theatre NPA at SCQF level 6
- ◆ further study, employment and/or training

Assessment

The assessment of the Units in this Course will be as follows:

All Units are internally assessed. They will be assessed on a pass/fail basis within centres. SQA will provide rigorous external quality assurance, including external verification, to ensure assessment judgements are consistent and meet national standards.

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Dance: Technical Skills (National 5)

In this Unit, learners will be required to provide evidence to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of Contemporary or Jazz dance style, and application of a range of technical skills. Evidence will be the performers ability to apply and combine their technical ability and performance skills to perform a solo either in Contemporary or Jazz. The performance will be tutor led and will last 1.5 to 2 minutes. It is 35% of the total mark

Dance: Choreography (National 5)

In this Unit, learners will be required to provide evidence to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of choreographic devices and structures, and apply these when planning and creating a choreography for two dancers. Learners will evaluate their own work and that of others, and explore the impact of theatre arts. The practical activity is 65% of the total mark, with 20% of this being a question paper regarding the choreographic devises, structures and an evaluation of their final piece.

Further advice and information on these options is available from your Subject Teacher, Home Area Principal Teacher and Careers Adviser.