

UC Irvine – Department of Dance
IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR INCOMING DANCE MAJORS:

We welcome you as a new dance major to the Dance Department at UC Irvine! Please read the important information about Welcome Week and the required Placement Audition for all new dancers. This year's audition will take place via Zoom and you will be asked to register and then receive a link to the Zoom invite one day prior to the audition. Please make sure to always read your UCI email so you are informed about all schedules and requirements.

Placement Audition - Tuesday, September 29, 2020

Schedule:

8:30-9:00 Registration via Zoom*
9:00-9:30 Ballet barre warm-up
9:30-10:00 Learn ballet combination with ballet faculty
10:00-11:00 Presentation of ballet to ballet faculty
11:00-11:30 Learn modern combination with modern faculty
11:30-12:30 Presentation of modern to modern faculty
12:30-1:00 Learn jazz combination with jazz faculty
1:00-2:00 Presentation of jazz to jazz faculty

*We suggest that you keep your Zoom link activated, or live, for the entire audition. This way you can be updated with any information and stay connected.

ALL DANCE MAJORS are required to attend all parts of the audition even if you do not plan on enrolling in all 3 genres your first year. This is your placement in each level when you take the course.

DRESS CODE:

Ballet - Ladies - black leotard, pink/flesh colored full-length tights. No skirts. Men - tight fitting top, black full-length tights. Dancers must have hair securely fastened/pinned up. Ballet slippers are best but you may need to wear socks depending on your floor surface.

Modern - same as above but with bare feet.

Jazz - same as above but with jazz shoes.

Please find a safe space in your home, dorm, etc. where you are able to show your work. You will need a barre or other secure item to use (railing, counter top, etc.) for ballet warm-up. A 5 foot square space is best and flooring that is neither too sticky or slippery. Flooring without carpet is advised. The area should be well lit and your camera/device will need to be set up so your entire body - top of head to tips of toes - can be seen at all times. Music will be provided by dance faculty so a quiet surrounding is best. It is highly recommended to do a practice video of yourself so your system and surroundings are in good order. We suggest that you have a charger or power plug-in nearby for your device should you need it.

We look forward to seeing you and “meeting” you online. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Best wishes,
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