The BA in Interdisciplinary Studies: Dance Studies is a 49 unit degree. It has a diverse core of 31 units with 9 units of dance electives. An additional 9 units of interdisciplinary electives allow students to develop skills in dance design/technical production, and to enhance their dance education with knowledge from other art forms, multicultural study, sacred studies and/or dance pedagogy and teaching skills.

The Dance Studies Option prepares students for careers as dance teachers, choreographers and performers of innovative and/or multicultural works; performance artists; teachers of mind/body integration techniques; special arts events coordinators; designers of lights, sets and costumes; and prepares students for further study at the graduate level.

Related Job Titles
The following list is not meant to be all inclusive; many other job alternatives and titles may exist. Many of the job titles listed require further education.

- Professional Dancer
- Artistic Director
- Choreographer
- Studio/Company Manager
- Stage Manager
- Production Manager
- Studio/Company Owner
- Cruise Director
- Costume Designer
- Dance/Art Therapist
- Community/PR Director
- Dance Critic
- Marketing Director
- Theater Management
- Program Development/Fundraising
- Recreation Leader
- Aerobics Instructor
- Youth Program Leader
- Personal Trainer
- Event Planner/Manager
- Make-up Artist
- Casting Director
- Private Instructor
- Dance/Drama Teacher
- Stage Designer
- Stunt Person
- Actor/Actress
- Publicist
- Agent
- Community Programs Coordinator

Possible Employers

Private:
Dance Companies/Organizations
Centers for the Arts
Art Advocacy Programs; Non-profits
Private Dance Studios

Fundraising Companies
Cruise Ships
Theme/Amusement Parks
Dance Festivals

Resorts/Entertainment
Educational Programs
Cultural Institutions
Film Industry

Publishing Firms
Traveling Theaters

Production Companies
Newspapers/Magazines

Music Industry
Art Management Firms

Federal/National Programs
Nat. Endowment for the Humanities
National Endowment for the Arts
Cultural Affairs Agencies

Peace Corps
AmeriCorps
Office of International Education

Public Library for Performing Arts
Department of Education

State, County & Local Agencies:
Office of Education
Universities—Centers for the Arts
Youth Programs

Parks & Recreation
Libraries/Visitor & Convention Centers
Schools

Community Outreach Programs
Public Health/Fitness Programs
Programs for the Elderly
A 4-year College Degree is designed to give you the **Top Skills** employers are looking for, According to the **National Association of Colleges and Employers**, those skills and abilities are:

- Effective Communication
- Working in a team structure
- Making decisions/solving problems
- Planning/organizing and prioritizing work
- Obtaining and processing information
- Analyzing quantitative data
- Proficiency with computers and software
- Creating and editing written reports
- Selling and influencing others

### Marketable Skills In Your Major

#### Dance Experience and Skills
- Wide and detailed exposure to the Fine Arts
- Diverse cultural experiences and awareness
- Choreography and creative design
- Variety of physical techniques and routines
- Physically demanding training and extensive practice
- Experience performing for large groups
- Unparalleled teamwork experience
- Familiarity with stage and costume design
- Production and theater operations

#### Creativity
- Creating/implementing artistic programs
- Visualization and conceptualization skills
- Communicating ideas through creative mediums

#### Event Coordination/Planning
- Planning large scale events/performances
- Marketing and promoting events
- Coordinating events, theater/stage management
- Fundraising

### Academic and Career Advising Center Services

**Drop-In hours: Monday – Friday, 10 am – 1 pm:** Quick academic and career advice and drop-in resume/cover letter review. Drop-ins are handy for the following types of services:

- Job Search Basics • Basic DARS Review • Quick Resume Review • Declaring a Major/Major Change • Adding a Minor • Navigating HSU Handshake • How to Use DARS Degree Planner • Cover Letter Review

**Academic and Career Advisors** (Please call 707-826-3341 or visit Gist Hall 114 to make an appointment)

Our helpful team of academic and career advisors can help you get the most out of your college experience with the following and much more during an individual appointment:

- Academic Planning • Full-time Job Search • DARS Questions • 4-Year Plans • Major Change Advising • GE Information • Internship Search • Federal Work Study • Mock Interview • Volunteer Opportunities • Career Assessment • Adding a Second Major • Graduate School Application • How to use DARS Degree Planner • Withdrawal or Transfer Advice • Personal Statement

**HSU Handshake** (online job database and more!): Search for campus jobs, internships, summer jobs, community service, work-study, etc. Register for workshops and special events. Go to www.humboldt.edu/acac to register on HSU Handshake or call 707-826-3341 for assistance.

**Events and Workshops** (Contact us for more information!)

- Part-time Job Fair - August
- Graduate and Professional School Fair - September
- Internship Week - February
- Career & Volunteer Expo - February
- Ready, Set, Register! Semester Bulletin - Fall/Spring
- Educator Fair - March
- How to Find Part-Time Jobs Workshop - March
- How to Find an Internship Workshop - On-Going
- Getting the Most out of Career Expo Workshop - On-going
- Research Graduate Schools Workshop - February
- Federal Resume & Application Open Labs - Fall
- How to Find Internships in Your Home Town Workshop - Spring

Looking for professional development opportunities for your on-campus club or organization?

- Request a Career Advisor to give a group presentation on subjects like resume development or job search