

## POST GRADUATE MASTERS PROGRAM IN DANCE EDUCATION

**This new program** is an extension of years 1-4. Students will have the opportunity to further their education in the core subjects (ballet, tap, jazz, and modern) for an additional 2 years, testing out the following year. Students will participate in a designed curriculum for the Master's Program as well as having the freedom to tutorial classes. Students can choose to specialize in one or all 4 dance disciplines.

**Eligibility for the program** requires successfully testing in all 4 core subjects and becoming a Post Graduate Student. Those PG's who graduated prior to Modern being a core subject, may elect to join the program but must take the modern TTS exam before entering the modern specialization. Students choosing to opt out of testing at year 4 are designated as Advanced Students and continue to follow the Advanced curriculum, however they will not be eligible to participate in the Post Graduate Masters in Dance Education program.

**During the first year** the focus will be on pedagogy in the specialized core subject, of their choosing from the disciplines offered. Studying technique, practical applications, and history will also be included. View this as an intensification of years 1-4.

**During year 2** there will be concentration on the artistic and creative process dealing in the specialized core subject. Choreography (recital, concert, competitions, site specific) and the use of improvisation will be explored. Choreographic tools and approaches will be presented in classes during year 2.

**The test out year** includes a class presentation in a specific core technique or a creative directing class incorporating creative movement/choreography/improvisation. The test out will be scheduled during the optional class times when students from years 1-6 will be designated to attend. A modest stipend is provided to the candidate for their presentation. Students will be required to hand in a class outline for approval prior to their presentation. In addition they will take a written test in terminology and history.

**The best part** is you pay the regular fees and there are no additional fees for this program. In this packet you will see a visual chart detailing the program for the next 10 years. Included also are some frequently asked questions to help you understand this program and the benefits of your participation.

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## Visual Guide to Post Graduate Masters Program

2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
yr 1 ballet	yr2 ballet	ballet test	yr 1 ballet	yr2 ballet	ballet test	yr 1 ballet	yr2 ballet	ballet test	yr 1 ballet	yr2 ballet
	yr 1 Jazz	yr2 jazz	jazz test	yr 1 Jazz	yr2 jazz	jazz test	yr 1 Jazz	yr2 jazz	jazz test	yr 1 Jazz
		yr 1 tap	yr2 tap	tap test	yr 1 Tap	yr2 tap	tap test	yr 1 tap	yr2 tap	tap test
			yr 1 mod	yr2 mod	mod test	yr 1 mod	yr2 mod	mod test	yr 1 mod	yr2 mod

### *Frequently asked questions.....*

I graduated from TTS in 2006, before Modern became a core subject, do I have to complete the Modern before I enter the Masters Program? ***You can definitely begin the program, and only complete ballet, tap and jazz if you choose to. If you want certification in Modern you must take and successfully pass the DMA TTS modern examination.***

I want to specialize in all four core subjects how long will it take? ***It will take you 6 years, provided you never take a year off.***

If I take ballet year 1 in 2017 and year 2 in 2018, but have to miss my test out year, can I test out of ballet in 2020? ***Yes if you miss your test year we can reschedule it easily. If however you miss year 2 you must wait for it to come through the cycle again, you must complete a subject program within a 7 year span.***

Do I have to overlap my studies? ***No you can do 1 subject at a time it will just take longer to complete all four subjects. If you want to take all four dance disciplines without a break, you need to take your test and start a subject in the same year. (see chart above)***

Can I choose to just take the two years of classes and not test out? ***Yes you can, but we would encourage you to complete each dance discipline by testing.***

How many students will be in each class? ***We need a minimum of 10 students but we will close the class at 20, since this a specialized program.***



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