

Performing Arts

Performing Arts (Dance pathway) Level 3 Full-time

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

This course starts in September and will take two years to complete.

Entry Requirements

- Five GCSEs at grade 4 including GCSE English and maths
- Relevant experience and a successful audition
- Successful interview

You will achieve

UAL Level 3 Diploma/Extended Diploma in Performing and Production Arts

Course Overview

This Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing Arts provides you with opportunities to develop and showcase your dance or technical skills in the creative industries.

Whether you are dedicated to a career in the West End, on Cruise Ships, in Pop videos, in a contemporary dance company or as a teacher of dance, this is the course for you!

You will specialise in dance and will explore ballet, jazz and commercial styles, you will get the chance to perform in our versatile venue, The Electric Theatre, as well as our more intimate studio performance space

You will work on specialist projects, as well as large scale public performances each year in The Electric Theatre. Our Performing Arts and Production Arts students will work closely with each other.

You will develop transferable skills such as communication skills and self-confidence, becoming an excellent team player and problem solver, as well as developing your specialist skills.

Course Content

This dance course is highly practical and allows you to develop a diverse range of dance skills, giving you the best chance of a fantastic career in the performing arts.

The course provides you with opportunities to develop your creativity, performance skills, audition preparation and professional training. You will explore a range of performance styles such as classical and contemporary ballet, jazz, commercial and choreography, by working on a variety of different projects.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed through your coursework and practical demonstrations such as performances in several public shows, as well as private class assessments throughout the year. Public performances will take place in the evenings.

What Equipment Will I Need?

Performers will need three sets of loose, plain black rehearsal clothes, soft indoor black shoes, such as jazz shoes for practical work. You will also need specialist dance wear such as leotards, tights and ballet shoes – your tutor will give you specific instructions. You will also need the following stationery A4 lever arch file, dividers, plastic wallets, A4 notepad, pens and a USB stick. You will be expected to attend at least one theatre visit per term.

Where will I study?

The Electric Theatre
Falcon Street
Barnsley
S70 2EY

What can I do next?

On completion of the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Performing Arts, you will gain the knowledge, skills and understanding to progress to degree level study or employment in the performing arts industry. The qualification attracts 72, 120 and 168 UCAS tariff points for Pass, Merit and Distinction grades respectively, which is equivalent to three A Levels.

Previous students have progressed to some of the most prestigious specialist training in the country at centres such as Urdang Academy, Arden, Rare Studio, Phil Winstons, Northern School of Contemporary Dance, as well as to universities such as Manchester Metropolitan, Central Lancashire, Cumbria, Lincoln, Salford and Edge Hill.

You may want to progress to Higher Education programmes with Postgraduate study in a range of specialist areas such as teaching, choreography, events management and dance therapy.

This course could form the successful foundations of a career in dance working as a dancer in a range of entertainment industries, in touring and production theatre companies, in theatre, film, TV, street entertainments, theatre in education or within a musical theatre company as a 'triple threat' performer.

You could work in the following careers:

- Holiday rep
- Cruise ship entertainer

- Dance teacher
- Choreographer
- Dance captain
- Dancer in a related entertainment industry such as pop videos, circus, burlesque, PR, modelling, featured/backing dancer
- Dance repetiteur or movement therapist

See what careers are available in the Performing Arts

[<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2023/10/Performing-Arts-careers-2023-24.pdf>]

sector. Use our online careers tool, Career Coach

[<https://barnsley.lightcastcc.com/?radius=®ion=Barnsley>] , to find out what your next steps could be.

How much does the course cost?

16 – 18 year olds

Full-time Barnsley College students aged 16-18 years old do not have to pay tuition fees.

19+ Students

Aged 19 or over and thinking about further education? You may be eligible for free or reduced course fees . Please refer to our page '[paying for your course.](#)'

Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on +44 (0)1226 216 267.

Extra information

Advanced Learner Loans

This course may be eligible for an Advanced Learner Loan. Contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk] . about eligibility and how to apply. You can also visit the Advanced Learner Loan [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/courses/paying-for-your-course/advanced-learner-loans/>] page.

Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email info@barnsley.ac.uk [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk]

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact

them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

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