A diverse program in Dance is offered as an option within the Department of Theatre and Dance. The Dance Option is designed to give the dance teacher, choreographer and/or performaner the skills needed to embark on a successful career.

“There is only one of you in all time, this expression is unique. And if you block it, it will never exist through any other medium and it will be lost.”
~Martha Graham

With classes in jazz, tap, aerial, musical theatre styles, ballet and pointe, UNH offers a variety and breadth of courses not found at other liberal arts schools. Housing Dance and Theatre in the same department provides opportunities for integration with other areas. UNH has set itself apart as one of the only universities in the country that offers aerial dance as part of a Liberal Arts program.

For additional information on the Theatre degree program with an option in Dance visit: https://bit.ly/DanceOption or Contact Professor Gay Nardone gay.nardone@unh.edu (603) 862-1963
When opportunity knocks, the experience and knowledge gained here helps you take it.

This highly desired and specialized discipline helps graduates achieve a technical edge in an otherwise highly competitive professional arena. If you love to dance, wish to pursue dance as a career, or hope to open your own dance studio someday, the Dance Option offers plenty of opportunity for personal growth.

UNH alumni have worked in every aspect of the entertainment industry as performers and technicians. Our graduates can be found on Broadway, ABC, HBO, Disney, CBS, NBC, Comedy Central, national and international tours, Boston Ballet, Ringling Bros’ and Barnum & Bailey Circus, Cirque Du Soleil, Radio City Music Hall, and on various cruise lines.

Our faculty are actively working as professionals in the industry. They have won multiple major awards and have had their work displayed all over the world.

Core Dance Faculty

- Gay Nardone (Aerial/Theatre Dance)
- Mary Beth Marino (Theatre Dance)
- Assaf Benchetrit (Ballet)
- Susan Endrizzi (Ballet/Pointe)

For a complete list of all of the talented faculty within the Theatre & Dance Dept. visit our website:
https://cola.unh.edu/theatre-dance/faculty-staff-directory

Multiple Performance Opportunities Available

-Dance Company Concert which includes a One Act Ballet & a One Act Jazz/Tap/Aerial Performance
-Music & Dance Dept.
-Collaborative Ballet
-Aerial Showcase
-Dance Showcase
-Along with many more..

There is so much more to do than just attend classes

-England: The London Experience
-Cultural Stages: The Woodward International Drama & Dance Initiative
-Guest Artists
-Hands-on Intensive Workshops
-Study Abroad Program
-Internship Opportunities

Majors have a multitude of both required and optional courses available to them. A selection of courses include:

- Ballet I, II, III
- Pointe
- Theatre Dance I, II, or III
- Aerial Dance
- Dance Composition
- Choreography
- Dance Pedagogy
- History of Dance
- Famous Dancers of the 21st Century
- Compocinema
- Musical Theatre I
- Acting I
- Music Theory Fundamentals
- Philosophy of the Arts
- Elements of Design