Educational Opportunities in Dance Medicine and Science

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**Degree Programs**

**Australia**

**University of Melbourne**

Location: Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

**Course:**

**Post-graduate diploma in Dance Science**

- 1 year full time
  - This new course will serve to educate health professionals, exercise and movement practitioners, dance researchers, dance educators, and dance artists about all aspects fundamental to the science of movement for dance.

**Entry Requirements:** an undergraduate degree, or equivalent, with a major in relevant discipline (dance, movement science, or health practices) or equivalent documented professional experience of at least five years.

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**University of Notre Dame**

Location: Freemantle, Western Australia

**Courses:**

**Masters and PhD by research degrees**

- School of Health Sciences
- All applications will be considered based on educational and professional history
  - Investigating the applications of exercise and sport science in dance. Fields of research focus upon (but are not limited to) biomechanics, motor control and learning, exercise physiology, exercise rehabilitation and strength and conditioning.
  - A graduate diploma of exercise physiology is also available to students meeting the undergraduate degree requirements.

**Funding opportunities:** Fee details; [http://www.nd.edu.au/fees/index.shtml](http://www.nd.edu.au/fees/index.shtml)

Contact information: Dr. Luke Hopper, Lecturer of Exercise, Musculoskeletal, and Clinical Biomechanics, School of Health Sciences: luke.hopper@nd.edu.au, Tel: +61 8-9433-0974

Website: http://www.nd.edu.au

Canada

York University

Location: Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Courses:
   Honours BFA or Honours BA degree in Dance with Undergraduate Certificate in Dance Science
   o 4 years

Contact information: Professor Donna Krasnow: dkrasnow@yorku.ca

Website: http://www.yorku.ca/finearts/handbook/dance/certificates.htm

Germany

University of Stuttgart

Location: Stuttgart, Germany

Courses:
   B.A. Sport & Exercise Science
   o 6 Semesters
   o Number of positions: 25
   o Modules with relevance for dance and/or which can be focussed on dance
     ▪ 20 Subject Didactics of Specific Disciplines
       37410 or 37490 Dance, graded or pass/fail
     ▪ 31260 Subject Didactics of Occupational Areas
       31270 Movement and Design
       • Methods of Choreography
       • Discipline-Specific Movement Design Lab: Focus on Dance
     ▪ 31240 Training and Sports Medicine
       • Models of Training
- Sports Medicine
- Diagnostics and Analysis in Training
  - 31310 Motor Learning and Motor Control
  - Motor Development in Childhood and Youth
  - Functional Kinetics
  - Elective Seminar
- 31350 Research Project
- 16470 Practicum / Work Experience
- 80300 Bachelor Thesis

**M.A. Exercise Science: Health Promotion**
- 4 Semesters
- Number of positions: 15
- Modules with relevance for dance and/or which can be focused on dance
  - 17290 Diagnosing, Intervening and Advising in Fields of Application
  - 16550 Diagnosing, Intervening and Evaluating in an Experiment on Oneself
  - 17270 Measuring, Testing and Diagnosing in Fields of Application
  - 31520 Nutrition and Health
  - 16590 Colloquium in Social and Behavioral Sciences
  - 80440 Master’s Thesis, 6 months

**Other information:**
- Institute of Sports Science: Strong research focus in the dance-relevant areas of cognition and motor activity
- Test of German language skills must be completed before regular enrollment, but not necessary for exchange students. Exchange students need only fulfill German Level A1, which is offered 6 weeks prior to the beginning of each semester at the University of Stuttgart.

**Contact information:** General course information: Dr. Uwe Gomolinsky:
[mailto:uwe.gomolinsky@inspo.uni-stuttgart.de?subject=Institute%20of%20Sports%20Science%3A%20Strong%20research%20focus%20in%20the%20dance-relevant%20areas%20of%20cognition%20and%20motor%20activity]|uwe.gomolinsky@inspo.uni-stuttgart.de, Tel: +49 0711-685-63162
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Office of International Affairs: [mailto:incoming@ia.uni-stuttgart.de?subject=In%20English%20language%20website%20for%20department%27s%20dance%20representative]|incoming@ia.uni-stuttgart.de, Tel: +49 0711-685-68599

**Website:** Department: [http://www.inspo.uni-stuttgart.de](http://www.inspo.uni-stuttgart.de)
English language website for department’s dance representative:
English language website for international students:
[http://www.ia.uni-stuttgart.de/index.en.html](http://www.ia.uni-stuttgart.de/index.en.html)
United Kingdom

**Bucks New University**

Location: High Wycombe, Buckinghamshire, UK

Courses:
- **BA (Hons) in Dance and Fitness/ Dance and Performance**
  - Accredited with Registry of Exercise Professionals (REPS)
  - 3 years full-time
    - The Dance and Fitness course is unique in that graduates will also be qualified to work in the fitness industry as a fitness instructor and a personal trainer, qualified up to level 3 with the Registry of Exercise Professionals (UK). Areas of study include exercise programming and coaching, strength and conditioning for dance, enterprise and entrepreneurship, and dance practice and teaching.

**Entry requirements:** audition and formal application.

**Contact information:** Martha Wiekens: mwieke01@bucks.ac.uk

**Website:**

**London Metropolitan University**

Location: London, UK

Course:
- **BSc (Hons) in Sports and Dance Therapy**
  - 3 years full-time, 4 years part-time
    - In addition to a foundation in sports therapy, students receive training in the specific qualities and needs of dancers. This includes dance biomechanics, dance-specific fitness testing and rehabilitation, nutrition, and clinical practice. Students may complete dance-specific work placements.

**Entry requirements:** Students with some dance experience may apply for an interview, even if the formal entry requirements are not met.

**Contact information:** Kimberley Hutt: k.hutt@londonmet.ac.uk

**Website:**
[http://www.londonmet.ac.uk/ug-prospectus/courses-10-11/sports--dance-therapy.cfm](http://www.londonmet.ac.uk/ug-prospectus/courses-10-11/sports--dance-therapy.cfm)

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Manchester Metropolitan University

Location: Crewe, UK

Courses:

MA/MSc Exercise and Sport
  - 1 year full-time, 2 – 3 years part-time
    - There are six pathways available for this programme and up to two may be combined: biomechanics, physiology, psychology, coaching studies, sport development, sports injury.

Masters by research and PhD study
  - The academic staff is experienced in the teaching and supervision of postgraduate projects which are dance-related. Please view the staff profiles available on the MMU website for details of current and previous research: http://www.cheshire.mmu.ac.uk/exspsci/staff/.
  - The Institute for Performance Research also provides details of research activities across both the Department of Exercise and Sport Science and the Department of Contemporary Arts: http://www.ipr.mmu.ac.uk/.

Funding Opportunities: Each year, three full bursaries (financial support) are available to cover the costs of fees only.

Contact information: Admissions: Shelly Williams: m.e.williams@mmu.ac.uk
MA/ MSc Programme Leader: Dr. Bill Taylor: w.taylor@mmu.ac.uk
Masters by Research and PhD: Research Coordinator: Dr. Alun Williams: a.g.williams@mmu.ac.uk

Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance

Location: London, UK

Courses:

MSc in Dance Science
  - 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time
    - As the world’s first institution to offer a single route MSc Dance Science, Trinity Laban remains a vibrant, international hub for research today.
    - Our Masters in Dance Science explores the scientific issues underlying dance performance, technical training, dancer health, and injury prevention.
    - Modules studied include: Performance Enhancement, including physiology, biomechanics, and nutrition; Performance Psychology, including embodied and perceptual learning; Research Methods, including statistics; Whole Dancer Study; and Independent Research Project.
The program is situated within a vocational full-time training institution giving unique opportunities for students to work closely with dancers and musicians.

**PhD in Dance/Music Science**
- Trinity Laban Conservatoire for Music and Dance offers study in both dance and music science. Areas of expertise include physiology, psychology, biomechanics, somatics, and creativity.

**Contact information:** Head of Dance Science: Dr. Emma Redding: e.redding@trinitylaban.ac.uk

**Website:**
- [http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/programmes/dance-programmes/postgraduate/msc-dance-science](http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/programmes/dance-programmes/postgraduate/msc-dance-science)
- [http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/dance-science.aspx](http://www.trinitylaban.ac.uk/dance-science.aspx)

**University Campus Suffolk**

Location: Ipswich, UK

**Courses:**
- **BA (Hons) Dance**
  - 3 year undergraduate course with intensive work placement in Year 3 with a view to making creative, responsive and employable dance artists for the future workforce.
  - The BA (Hons) Dance programme at University Campus Suffolk has two dance science and somatics-informed modules at Level 4 and 5 entitled The Knowing Body, in which students study the anatomy, physiology, biomechanics and psychology of the dancer from both experiential and theoretical perspectives. These modules tie closely to the technical training provision to support the healthy training of our students. There is also a focus on the delivery of the Trinity College Safe and Effective Dance Practice qualification at Level 5, with many students also choosing to continue their studies within their dissertation projects and further professional training at Level 6. Students from UCS have chosen to undertake work experience, shadowing and formal placement modules with leading dance science professionals in the UK, including Trinity Laban, London Contemporary Dance School, DanceEast, DanceXchange and freelance personal training providers, educators and scientists. Opportunities to assist in staff research are also available for students throughout the academic year.
Contact information: Elsa Urmston MSc, Course Leader, BA (Hons) Dance: e.urmston@ucs.ac.uk, Tel: 01473-338352

Website: http://www.ucs.ac.uk/dance

University College London

Location: London, UK

Course:
MSc/ Postgraduate Diploma in Performing Arts Medicine
- MSc: 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time
- Postgraduate Diploma: 9 months full time, or 2 years part-time
  - You will learn about performing arts injury management and prevention; know about the links between health, performance and physical activity; understand the pharmacology relevant to performing artists; become familiar with the psychology of performance and current management strategies.

Entry requirements: Admission requires a primary medical qualification, or a Bachelor’s degree from a UK university in a relevant discipline, or an overseas qualification of an equivalent standard.

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Website: http://www.ucl.ac.uk/performingartsmedicine

University of Edinburgh

Location: Edinburgh, UK

Course:
MSc in Dance Science and Education
- 1 year full-time, 2 – 6 years part-time
  - The principal aim of this Master’s programme is to provide a foundation in science that can underpin all forms of dance training and educate the development of dance as an art form. The programme has been carefully developed to focus on the science that is directly relevant to the process and practices involved in optimising: dance training, dance education, and dance performance. Throughout the programme both theoretical and practical
work are combined to promote learning and understanding of the key concepts required to become an effective dance scientist.

**Funding Opportunities:** Details about fees and funding can be found at: [http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/student-funding/ tuition-fees/postgraduate/postgraduate](http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/student-funding/tuition-fees/postgraduate/postgraduate).

**Contact information:** Wendy Timmons, Programme Director MSc Dance Science & Education, Institute for Sport Physical Education & Health Sciences SPEHS: [wendy.timmons@education.ed.ac.uk](mailto:wendy.timmons@education.ed.ac.uk), Tel: +44 131-651-6596

**Website:** [http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/education/graduate-school/taught-degrees/dance](http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/education/graduate-school/taught-degrees/dance)

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**University of Wolverhampton**

**Location:** West Midlands, UK (encompassing Birmingham)

**Courses:**

- **MSc Dance Science**
  - Taught in intensive blocks to allow overseas students to study on a student visitor visa.

- **PhD in Dance Medicine and Science**
  - The University of Wolverhampton, with its partners (Birmingham University, Coventry University and the Jerwood Centre), offers a wide range of research and study opportunities. Areas of expertise are in psychology, physiology, biomechanics, and medicine, though we are always open to other areas of study.

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**Website:** [http://courses.wlv.ac.uk/postGradCourse.asp?menu=1&id=2819&level=1](http://courses.wlv.ac.uk/postGradCourse.asp?menu=1&id=2819&level=1)
USA

California State University, Long Beach

Location: Long Beach, California, USA

Course:

**BA in Dance (option in Dance Science)**
- 4 years
  - Course of study combines dance with specific science courses for students interested in teaching careers in dance or careers in dance fitness. This degree also gives preparation for those who seek graduate education in the areas of dance science or related dance studies.

Entry requirements: Admission requires passing an entrance audition for placement in the major sequence of courses and meeting all University entrance requirements.

Website: [http://www.csulb.edu/depts/dance](http://www.csulb.edu/depts/dance)
[http://www.csulb.edu/depts/dance/degdescripts/badansci.htm](http://www.csulb.edu/depts/dance/degdescripts/badansci.htm)

California State University, Northridge

Location: Northridge, California, USA

Courses:

**BS Kinesiology/Dance Option**
- 4 years
  - Program includes 25 units in dance (technique, pedagogy and performance) plus courses in Foundations and Analysis of Human Movement, Exercise Science, Biomechanics, Motor Learning and Control, Socio-psychological Aspects of Physical Education, Historical & Philosophical Bases of Kinesiology.
  - [http://www.csun.edu/hhd/kin/dance.html](http://www.csun.edu/hhd/kin/dance.html)

**MS Kinesiology/Dance Option**
- 2 years
  - Dance Option offers several courses that are directly applicable to dance (Seminar in Dance Science, Dance Production, and Directed Research in Dance Psychophysiology). There is a combination of thesis/project as the culminating graduate work. Graduate students will participate in the creative work of dance performance and the scientific work of participating in research studies.
  - [http://www.csun.edu/hhd/kin/graduate.html](http://www.csun.edu/hhd/kin/graduate.html)
Other information: California State University, Northridge is located in the San Fernando Valley of Los Angeles. The department has many links to a vibrant dance community in Los Angeles.

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Website: http://www.csun.edu

Case Western Reserve University (CWRU)

Location: Cleveland, Ohio, USA

Course:

BA in Dance
- Options to double major in many disciplines including biology and biomedical engineering with an emphasis in biomechanics to name two, and to minor in sports medicine. Students may elect to take Kinesiology and Dance Wellness to complete the BA. Senior Capstone Project may focus on research.

MFA and MA in Dance
- 3 year MFA program; 2 year MA program
- 3 – 4 positions per year
- Required coursework in kinesiology and dance wellness and the option to focus in dance science/wellness, and the option to have both a creative and research focus in thesis work.

Other information: CWRU Dance Department has a world renowned Dance Wellness program that has served as a model for many other universities and was the first affiliate of the internationally recognized Dancer Wellness Project Website. All faculty are highly involved and a member of the Dance Wellness team is a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine associated with University Hospitals. CWRU Dance maintains a close relationship with the Department of Physical Education where courses in Sports Medicine may be taken. There are also ties to the Case Medical School

Funding Opportunities: MFA students all receive full tuition waivers and assistantships and may teach if preferred in the third year. BA students may audition for full tuition scholarships or Creative Arts Achievement Awards.

Contact information: Karen Potter, MFA, MA: karen.potter@case.edu

Website: http://dance.case.edu
The College at Brockport/State University of New York (SUNY)

Location: Brockport, New York, USA

Courses:

BFA, BA, BS in Dance/Dance Science and Somatics

- 4 – 5 years
  - Many options exist for dancers who have an inclination and interest in integrating dance technique and performance with human movement science

Contact information: Suzanne Oliver: soliver@brockport.edu

Website: http://www.brockport.edu/dance

Florida State University

Location: Tallahassee, Florida, USA

Course:

Master of Arts (MA) in Studio & Related Studies (may choose emphasis in Dance Science)

- 36 credit hours; 4 semesters; 15 months

Entry requirements: Approximately 7 students are accepted into the program each year based on audition, interview, and writing sample. Program is flexible.

Funding opportunities: Most graduate students receive tuition and ¼-time assistantship, but recent economic crisis may affect availability of this support in the future.

Contact information: Tom Welsh, PhD: twelsh@dance.fsu.edu

Website: http://dance.fsu.edu/Academic-Programs/MA-Studio-and-Related-Studies
George Mason University
Location: Manassas, Virginia, USA

Course:
MS in Exercise, Fitness and Health Promotion
- This 36-credit master’s of science degree in Exercise, Fitness, and Health Promotion takes a science-based approach toward the fields of athletic training, biomechanics, and strength and conditioning. This degree prepares students to become professionals capable of applying evidenced-based scientific principles. Completion of this degree prepares students for employment in human performance and allied health related professions or the pursuit of further academic study (doctoral programs). This program offers the traditional research masters’ thesis or a research project option. Research and experimental studies in dance medicine and science can be undertaken with dance students under the supervision of the faculty as part of the MS program.

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Website: School of Recreation, Health, and Tourism: http://rht.gmu.edu
College of Visual and Performing Arts: http://dance.gmu.edu

Goucher College
Location: Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Courses:
BA Major in Dance with a Concentration in Dance Science
BA Major in Biology with a Concentration in Dance Science
  - 4 years
    - The Goucher College Dance Department was established over 35 years ago and offers a rigorous and comprehensive BA major in dance as well as a minor in dance. The dance science track can be pursued uniquely through both the dance department and the biology department. Students wishing to pursue the dance major with a concentration in dance science must complete 40 credits within the major, as well as core classes for the dance major and courses in the dance science concentration. It is suggested that dance majors take a minimum of two technique classes per semester and are required to complete a minimum of six credits in technique. There is no
audition necessary for a student interested in pursuing the dance science track.

- Additionally, we encourage and support student internships and interest in the field of dance science. Internships have included observation in the clinic, operating room, and labs, data collection on current research projects, and work with physical therapists and physicians.

**Funding Opportunities:** The Schon Scholarship in Dance Science is a $1,000 annual award to a rising sophomore, junior or senior at Goucher College pursuing the study of dance science and is offered in conjunction with an internship.

**Website:** [http://www.goucher.edu/dance](http://www.goucher.edu/dance)

**Hope College**

Location: Holland, Michigan, USA

**Courses:**
- BA Dance Performance Choreography, Dance Education
- BA or BS (depending on course of study) dual major opportunities in:
  - Dance / Engineering
  - Dance / Chemistry
  - Dance / Biology
  - Dance / Exercise Science
  - Dance / Psychology
- 4 years
- Accredited: National Association of Schools of Dance

**Contact information:** Linda Graham: [graham@hope.edu](mailto:graham@hope.edu) or Stephanie Brumels: [brumelss@hope.edu](mailto:brumelss@hope.edu) +1 616-395-7700

**Website:** [http://www.hope.edu/academic/dance](http://www.hope.edu/academic/dance)
Indiana University

Location: Bloomington, Indiana, USA

Courses:

- **BS in Kinesiology with a major or minor in dance**
  - 4 years
  - Number of positions: 18

  **Contact information:** Elizabeth Shea, Coordinator: eshea@indiana.edu, Tel +1 812-855-7020

  Website: [http://www.indiana.edu/~kines/undergraduate/dance.shtml](http://www.indiana.edu/~kines/undergraduate/dance.shtml)

- **MS in Kinesiology, Clinical Assistantship in dance**
  - 2 years
  - Number of positions: 1 with School of Ballet, 1 with Contemporary Dance
    - Applicants must be accepted into Master’s Graduate Athletic Training program

  **Contact information:** John Schrader: jschrade@indiana.edu, Tel: +1 812-856-4509

  Website: [http://www.indiana.edu/~kines/graduate/ms_athletic.shtml](http://www.indiana.edu/~kines/graduate/ms_athletic.shtml)

New York College of Podiatric Medicine

Location: New York, New York, USA

Course:

- **Doctor of Podiatric Medicine (DPM)**
  - 4 year program, followed by 2 – 4 year residency at a major hospital
  - Number of positions varies by year
    - Opportunities to become board certified in surgery of the foot and ankle, primary podiatric practice, specializations in orthopedics/biomechanics and sports medicine, with an opportunity to sub-specialize in Dance Medicine.

  **Contact information:** For specific questions please email rbenad@nycpm.edu

  Website: [http://www.nycpm.edu](http://www.nycpm.edu)
### Ohio University

Location: Athens, Ohio, USA

**Courses:**
- Bachelor of Science in Athletic Training
- Bachelor of Science in Exercise Physiology
- Bachelor of Science in Nutrition
- Bachelor of Science in Applied Nutrition
- Master of Science in Athletic Training
- Master of Science in Exercise Physiology
- Master of Science in Food and Nutrition Science
  - BS: 4 years
  - MS: 1-3 years (depending on extent of research)
    - Students have the opportunity to emphasize dance medicine and science, conduct dance medicine and science research, and, depending on their area of study, participate in the dance medicine clinic.

**Internship opportunities:** Students should contact Dr. Russell to discuss their specific interests; single day visits, visits of several days, or longer term internships may be arranged depending on availability, desired goals, and funding; opportunities exist for observation in dance medicine clinic and working alongside researchers.

**Contact information:** Jeffrey A. Russell, PhD, ATC: jeffr@choreohealth.com

**Website:** [http://www.ohio.edu/chsp/ahsw](http://www.ohio.edu/chsp/ahsw)

### Shenandoah University, Division of Athletic Training

Location: Winchester, Virginia, USA

**Courses:**
- Entry-level Master of Science in Athletic Training (MSAT)
  - 2-year entry-level MSAT program with clinical internships in the area of performing arts medicine.
    - Students may enroll in the Performing Arts Medicine Certificate program while enrolled in the MSAT.

**Contact information:** Tel: +1 540-545-7387, Rose Schmieg, Program Director: rschmieg@su.edu  Karen Gross, Administrative Assistant: kgross@su.edu

**Website:** [http://www.su.edu/at](http://www.su.edu/at)
Doctorate of Physical Therapy Degree program
- 3 years, full-time
  - This program has clinical affiliation opportunities in dance medicine. Additionally, a student in good academic standing may enroll in the SU PAM certificate program while in the DPT curriculum

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Karen Abraham, Program Director: kabraham@su.edu
Anna Veit, Administrative Assistant: aveit@su.edu

Website: http://www.su.edu/pt

University of Oregon (UO)

Location: Eugene, Oregon, USA

Course:
- MFA in Dance with options to specialize in elective areas such as Dance Science
  - 3 years
  - Number of positions: 3 per year
  - UO Dance maintains a close relationship with the Department of Human Physiology at UO and Dance Masters students can capitalize on this relationship through course options and laboratory research.
  - Upon graduation, it is possible for qualified Dance Masters students to matriculate into the PhD program in Human Physiology.
  - MFA students are accepted who can serve as Graduate Teaching Fellows (GTFs) for a wide spectrum of Dance technique courses ranging from modern, ballet, jazz, tap, and hip hop to African, tango, and ballroom. GTFs come with a full tuition waiver, a monthly stipend, and medical insurance coverage

Contact information: Steven Chatfield, PhD: stevenc@uoregon.edu

Website: http://www.uoregon.edu
**University of South Florida**

Location: Tampa, Florida, USA

**Course:**
- **BA degree in Dance Studies**
  - 4 years
  - Admission through dance placement audition and admissions application to USF
    - Option of combining dance with another area of interest, such as an area of the health sciences. Students who are interested in dance medicine/science take 15-17 focused electives, which are carefully chosen and can include courses such as: Care and Prevention of Physical Injuries, Nutrition, Anatomy and Physiology, Physics, and Physiological Psychology. All students in the dance program are required to take dance kinesiology.

**Contact information:** Merry Lynn Morris, Academic Advisor/Instructor, Theatre and Dance Programs: mmorris@arts.usf.edu, Tel: +1 813-974-1739

**Website:** [http://theatreanddance.arts.usf.edu/](http://theatreanddance.arts.usf.edu/)

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**University of Utah**

Location: Salt Lake City, Utah, USA

**Courses:**
- **MFA or BFA, Department of Modern Dance**
  - MFA: 3 years, full-time
  - BFA: 4 years, full-time
    - On the graduate level, students can focus on kinesiology for dance and other applications of dance science and/or somatics to dance. Thesis work in this area links science to artistry.

**Contact information:** Stephen Koester, Associate Professor, Director of Graduate Studies: stephen.koester@utah.edu
Pamela Geber, Associate Professor (faculty member who teaches dance kinesiology and works with many students in the dance science/somatics area): p.geber@utah.edu

**Website:** [http://www.dance.utah.edu](http://www.dance.utah.edu)
University of Wyoming

Location: Laramie, Wyoming, USA

Course:
  BFA (concentration in Dance Science)
    o 4 years
    o Number of positions: 3-4 per year
      ▪ Curriculum provides courses in dance medicine and science along with dance technique and performance

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Website: http://www.uwyo.edu/thd/degree-programs/dance-bfa-dance-science.html

Virginia Commonwealth University

Location: Richmond, Virginia, USA

Course:
  Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT)
    o 3 years
      ▪ Dance Medicine elective module available, including clinical experience

Contact information: Lisa Donegan Shoaf, Director of Clinical Education: ldshoaf@vcu.edu, Tel: +1 804-828-0234

Website: http://www.vcu.edu/pt/prospectivestudents/dpt.html
Internships

California State University, Long Beach Dance Clinic
Location: Long Beach, California, USA

Student internship
• Facility offers physical therapy, Pilates-based therapy, and preventative conditioning programs.
• Internship is appropriate for students interested in a career in the dance medicine field.

Contact information: John Siegel, Head Athletic Trainer, Department of Dance: jsiegel1@csulb.edu, Tel: +1 562-985-7076

Motion Matters Physiotherapy Clinic
Location: Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

2 month internship
• Physiotherapy clinic and exercise center specializing in dance
• Number of positions: 2

Contact information: Joelle Segers: info@motionmatters.ca, Tel: +1 613-237-4343

Website: http://www.motionmatters.ca

University of Wolverhampton
Location: West Midlands, UK (encompassing Birmingham)

Research internship
• Appropriate for Masters level students and higher focusing in biomechanics, physiology, and psychology
• 2 – 3 months
• Number of positions: 2

Contact information: Dr. Matthew Wyon: m.wyon@wlv.ac.uk, Tel: +44-1902-323144

Website: http://www.wlv.ac.uk
## Clinical Placements

### Body Dynamics, Inc.

**Location:** Falls Church, Virginia, USA

**Clinical Placement**
- Suitable for Physical Therapy students in their final internship rotation.
- Please contact Ashley Templer for application and to schedule a phone interview.

**Contact information:** Ashley Templer, DPT, OCS: atempler@bodydynamicsinc.com, Tel: +1 703-527-9557

**Website:** [http://www.bodydynamicsinc.com](http://www.bodydynamicsinc.com)

### Harkness Center for Dance Injuries at NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases

**Location:** New York, New York, USA

**Physical Therapy Student Clinical Affiliation**
- An advance level program geared for Physical Therapy students completing their final clinical affiliation
- Applications must be received by February 15th to be considered for the subsequent academic year.

**Contact information:** Emily Sandow: emily.sandow@nyumc.org, Tel: +1 212-598-6022

**Website:** [http://hjd.med.nyu.edu/harkness/education/students](http://hjd.med.nyu.edu/harkness/education/students) (application available online)

**Athletic Training Student Clinical Affiliation**
- Full-time hospital based dance affiliation program for Athletic Training students in their final academic year
- Applications must be received by February 15th to be considered for the subsequent academic year.
Contact information: Leigh Heflin:  harkness@nyumc.org, Tel: +1 212-460-0153

Website: http://hjd.med.nyu.edu/harkness/education/students  
(application available online)

Orthopedic Residencies and Fellowships
• Medical residents and sports fellows in the NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases Residency/Fellowship programs are given an opportunity to become familiar with dance injuries during 8 week or 6 month clinical rotation respectively.

Contact information: Randie Godette: randie.godette@nyumc.org, Tel +1 212-598-6509  

Website: http://orthosurgery.med.nyu.edu/orthopaedic-surgery-residency-programs

OccuSport Physical Therapy
Location: Willowbrook/ Darian, Illinois, USA

Clinical placement in an elite sports medicine outpatient facility
• 3 – 6 months
• Suitable for a final placement or for a recent physical therapy graduate
• Clinic specializes in performing arts medicine including dance and gymnastics.

Contact information: Gina Pongetti: adagiogymnastics@hotmail.com, Tel: +1 630-607-8907
The Ohio State University Sports Medicine Program for Performing Arts Medicine

Location: Columbus, Ohio, USA

Clinical placement in physical therapy
- 8 – 12 weeks
- Suitable for a final clinical placement
- Multidisciplinary program including staff in Physical Therapy, Athletic Training, Chiropractic, Nutrition, and Orthopaedic Medicine

Contact information: Marika Baxter: marika.baxter@osumc.edu

Website: http://www.sportsmedicine.osu.edu

PhysioArts Physical Therapy

Location: New York, New York, USA

Clinical Placement
- Placement appropriate for students in final affiliation with strong interest in performing arts and manual physical therapy.
- Opportunity includes clinical and on-site experience. Interview required.

Contact information: Sarah Bigham, MSPT, CFMT: sbigham@physioarts.com, Tel: +1 212-997-7490

Website: http://www.physioarts.com
Other Programs

Harkness Center for Dance Injuries at NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases
Location: New York, New York, USA

Volunteer Positions
- Educational experience for college students, new graduates, or individuals transitioning careers
- Volunteer positions are a minimum of 6 weeks and a maximum of 12 weeks.
- Placement depends on student’s academic background and type of experience sought
- Volunteers accepted from many disciplines
- Coordinated through the Volunteer department of the NYU Hospital for Joint Diseases

Contact information: Jessica Harley, Volunteer Services, +1 212-598-6020
Website: http://hjd.med.nyu.edu/about-us/how-you-can-help/volunteer
(Volunteer Application)

Academic Observations and Observational Residency
- For individuals interested in learning about the unique discipline of Dance Medicine.
- You may request a one to fourteen day observation of our program services (dance clinic, injury prevention assessments, and/ or physical therapy).
- We require observational requests to be submitted a minimum of 2 months prior to the requested date in order to make the appropriate arrangements.

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Professional Research Mentorship
- The research mentorship allows students or post-graduate professionals to gain experience in our state of the art research facility
- Research mentorship position lasts 6 to 12 months. If a longer or shorter amount of time is requested, please note this in the initial inquiry and a decision will be made based upon complete review of the application.
• This mentorship program may include experiences such as grant writing, IRB submission, HIPAA compliance, literature review, subject recruitment, data collection, data analysis and interpretation, research writing, and publication.

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Tanz Medizin Deutschland e.V (TaMeD)
Location: Germany

Certificate in Dance Medicine and Science (German-language)
• Courses offered across Germany
• Yearly symposium, and courses offered in Anatomy and Physiology, Prevention and Rehabilitation, Nutrition, Psychology, and Practice
• Courses may be taken individually or applied to the certificate
• All courses offered in German.

Website: http://www.tamed.de