



## Dance Audition

The theme for GSA 2025 is “Arts in Community.” When we create art, we interact with and serve our communities. West Virginia has a rich cultural history, with diverse communities expressing themselves through music, dance, theater, writing, and visual arts. We draw on this cultural heritage to foster community through art at GSA, empowering you to find community with other artists both in and outside of your chosen artistic discipline.

Students interested in auditioning for dance should prepare an 8-10 minute video using the specifications listed below.

### General:

- Begin the video by stating your name, age, where you are from, and date of birth.
- No close-ups or video from the mirror.
- The dancer should always be the focus.
- Please wear traditional ballet attire - Wear proper dance attire –black leotard & pink or flesh-toned tights for female-identifying students; white t-shirt, black opaque tights and dance belt for male-identifying students; either option for non-binary students.
- Long hair should be secured in a bun.

### Part I - Ballet

Demonstrate the following:

Barre Work:

- Plié
- Tendu/Dégagé
- Rond de jambe/fondu
- Grand Battement

Center Work:

- Adagio (include Port de bras and Développés)
- Waltz Pirouette
- Petit Allegro (include glissade, jeté, assemblé, pas de chat)

### Part II – Modern Dance

Self-choreograph a modern/contemporary dance no longer than 90 seconds. This is your opportunity to explore your creativity and share with us who you are as an artist. The

choreographic study can have a meaning, an emotional quality, or be solely based on movement. The music you chose cannot have lyrics and you do not have to cut or edit for length.

Please include the following:

- Phrase work that travels into and out of the floor
- Jumps and rotating/turning movement
- Variety in dynamics (variations in speed and movement quality)
- Variety in levels (low, medium, high)

### **File Submission**

- Record the video using the highest quality possible.
- Upload the video to YouTube as an unlisted video.
- Email the link to your audition video to Donald Laney ([dj-laney@wiu.edu](mailto:dj-laney@wiu.edu)) and Sarah Olson ([saolson@uwsp.edu](mailto:saolson@uwsp.edu)) with a subject line titled your First and Last Name and “2025 GSA Dance Audition”.