

BFA – Performance and Choreography

Admissions:

In order to pursue a dance major at the Conservatory of Music and Dance, you must be accepted both to the Conservatory (via your audition), as well to UMKC (via your undergraduate application for admission). The Conservatory application will require a recent dance photo, a headshot photo, resume, and a brief 150 – word essay explaining why you want to pursue a dance degree.

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Note that all transfer students are required to complete the BFA Curricular Map and fulfill the appropriate technique levels of the Dance Division. If you have transferred with no Dance Composition credits, extra semesters will be required. All transfer students will meet individually with the faculty following the audition and the meeting with parents and prospective students.

How to Prepare:

- Freshman applicants: Apply to UMKC Admissions <http://www.umkc.edu/admissions/>; complete this process. You will need official transcripts of all high school work; ACT or SAT scores; \$35 application fee. Transfer applicants with less than 24 credit hours of college level work will also need to submit official college transcripts, high school transcripts, and the ACT or SAT scores.
- Complete the [Conservatory's supplemental application via Decision Desk](#).
- Audition on the date selected while completing the Conservatory application
- All candidates should be prepared to dance in a 90-minute ballet class and a 90-minute contemporary modern class.
- Female candidates should wear a solid color leotard and pink tights for ballet and a solid color leotard and footless tights for contemporary modern (black tights are preferred).
- Male candidates should wear a white T-shirt or leotard and black tights that can also be footless for contemporary modern.
- All candidates should bring ballet slippers for ballet class. Women will do pointe work at the end of ballet class – bring pointe shoes.
- Bare feet will be required for the contemporary modern portion of the audition.

Application Deadline: December 15, 2015 for priority consideration for acceptance and scholarship. Dance applicants must complete the entire application process by December 15, 2015.

2015-16 Conservatory Audition Schedule:

- Saturday, December 12, 2015
- Saturday, February 6, 2016
- Monday, February 15, 2016
- Friday, March 4, 2016

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