

**PE 188 - FOLK, SQUARE, SOCIAL DANCE**  
**Fall Semester - 2008**

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Text: None Required

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Class Aim: To provide students with the opportunity to develop cognitive, affective, and psychomotor competencies for folk, square, and social dance.

Course Competencies: This course has been designed to provide students with opportunities to develop skills necessary to:

1. Identify basic folk, square, and social dance steps introduced in class ( polka, two-step, waltz, fox trot, swing, cha cha or salsa, schottische, and various beginning square dance steps).
2. Identify the names and origin of the folk dances which re taught in the folk dance unit.
3. Provide the appropriate calling cues for the basic steps in folk, square, and social dance as taught in class.
4. Form dance patterns of their own composition utilizing the knowledge of the social dance steps taught in class.
5. Demonstrate the skills necessary to perform the basic steps of the folk, square, and social dances as presented in class.
6. Demonstrate the ability to analyze the folk, square, and social dance steps presented in class so that they may utilize that diagnostic information to provide appropriate feedback to their peers.

General Information:

1. No text is required
2. Dress - comfortable clothes and shoes are suggested
3. No excused absences - unless you are away from the University on a school sponsored trip.
4. If you are absent the day of a test, you will have two weeks to make up any work missed, after that time it will revert to a zero.
5. Attendance and participation are part of your final grade. You will receive five (5) points for each day that you attend class and actively participate in class activities.

Evaluation:

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| 1. Attendance and participation are recommended                           | 100 pts  |
| 2. Quizzes and written exams (generally one week notice)                  | 200 pts. |
| 3. Journal of dances can be turned in at end of semester for bonus points | 50 pts   |

4. Your final grade will be based on the following percentage scale:

A	92-100%
B	84-91%
C	76-83%
D	68-75%
F	0-67%

#### Tentative Course Schedule

Unit I	Basic Steps (polka, two-step, schottische, etc) Folk Dances
Unit II	Waltz and Fox Trot Rhythms
Unit III	Square Dance
Unit IV	Cha Cha/Salsa and Swing Rhythms

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If you are a person with a disability and anticipate needing any type of accommodation in order to participate in this class, please advise me and make appropriate arrangements with Disability Services (293-6700).

If you have to be away from campus for emergency reason (family, personal, etc.) you must contact the office of Student Life and they will contact your course instructors to inform them that you will away from classes.