

# CAREER EDUCATION PROGRAM – Two-Year Review

Date: July 22, 2009

College: Citrus College

Program: Commercial Dance

## 1. Purpose of this Program

Significantly Changed Purpose  
In the Last Two Years

Minor Changes in Purpose  
in the Last Two Years

No Changes in Purpose  
in the Last Two Years

The Commercial Dance Advisory Committee comprised of professionals in the dance and musical theatre industries and Citrus faculty meets annually to evaluate the program and make recommendations concerning emerging trends within the commercial dance industry. The certificate program is encompassed within the larger dance department at the college and is designed to meet the needs of a specific group of dancers who wish to focus their skills to a career in commercial dance.

## 2. Demand for this Program

High Demand

Adequate Demand  
for our students

Low Demand

Demand for commercial dancers is growing, particularly in the entertainment rich area of Southern California. According to California Employment Development Department data the hourly mean for dancers is \$14.94 and the hourly mean for choreographers is \$23.00- both of these occupations are trained within the scope of the program at Citrus. The 10-year forecast for projected job growth in the industry exceeds 16%. The Advisory Committee urges continued development of all commercial dancers, but male dancers in particular as they are in high demand.

## 3. Quality of this Program

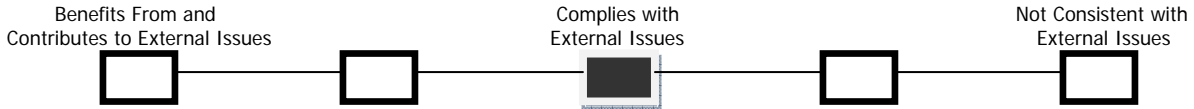
Highest Quality

Meets Student Needs

Needs Significant  
Improvement

Graduates of the Commercial Dance Certificate program are currently working within the Commercial Dance Industry at such venues as Disneyland, the Los Angeles County Fair, Knotts Berry Farm, Princess Cruise Lines and Stilletto Entertainment as well as at numerous local professional theatres within Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego Counties. Observations from the Advisory Board indicate that Citrus is training dancers in commercial skills not readily available at other community colleges.

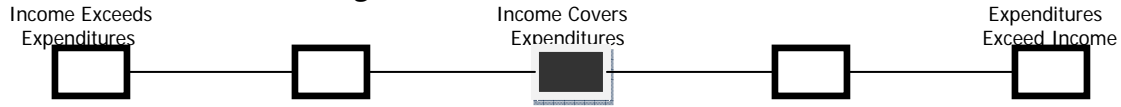
**4. External Issues**



The program is in compliance with all external issues at this time.

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**5. Cost of this Program**



The current program has one full-time faculty member and five adjunct faculty. Current FTEs and district allocations cover program expenditures.

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**6. Two-Year Plan**



The Citrus College Commercial Dance Program has adopted most recommendations from the 2002-2003 Six-Year Program Review that were not facilities related and is currently on track for meeting goals for the next two years.

A focus on a more intensified commercial curriculum is planned with a course for hip-hop dance to be written in Fall 2009. The program will continue to develop ways to increase the number of male dancers in the program by producing such shows as "Chicago" and "Hello Dolly" in conjunction with the theatre and music departments. An additional full-time faculty member is desired within the next three years to augment and improve the variety and quality of instruction.

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