

DEGREEMENT

Software for Educational Institutions...



Status	Course Name	Course-Credit	Grade & Type	Date	Location	Comments	Commands
Dance MFA Core Curriculum							
Core Technique							
✓	MODRN DNCE/GRAD STUDENTS	DNCE 5001801-2.00	B+	Fall 2000	CU Boulder	repeatable	
✓	MODRN DNCE/GRAD STUDENTS	DNCE 5001801-2.00	B	Spring 2001	CU Boulder	repeatable	
✓	MODRN DNCE/GRAD STUDENTS	DNCE 5001801-2.00	B+	Fall 2001	CU Boulder	repeatable	
✓	INTERMEDIATE GRAD BALLET	DNCE 5101801-1.00	A-	Fall 2000	CU Boulder	repeatable	
✓	INTERMEDIATE GRAD BALLET	DNCE 5101801-1.00	A-	Spring 2001	CU Boulder	repeatable	
✓	TECHNIQ PRAC-AFRICAN	DNCE 5900804-2.00	A	Spring 2002	CU Boulder	repeatable	
✓	ADVANCED GRAD BALLET	DNCE 6101801-1.00	A-	Fall 2001	CU Boulder	repeatable	
	Dance Graduate Technique	5001, 5101, 5260, 5900, and 6101				14 credits from DNCE	11 of the 14 required credits earned
11 Credit Hours earned/or are in progress with 11 GPA credits for a GPA of 3.482 in this section. 11 of the 14 required credits have been earned or are in progress.							
Core Classes							
✓	DRCTD ST-ALEXANDER TECHQ	DNCE 6919803-2.00	B	Fall 2000	CU Boulder		
✓	MUSIC & DANCE GRAD SEM	DNCE 5064003-3.00	A-	Fall 2001	CU Boulder		
✓	HE-SBAHCH S'IKRI AND TECH	DNCE 6009001-1.00	A-	Fall 2000	CU Boulder		
✓	READINGS IN DANCE	DNCE 6019002-3.00	A-	Fall 2000	CU Boulder		
✓	SEMINAR IN DANCE	DNCE 6049002-3.00	A	Fall 2001	CU Boulder		
✓	ADVANCE DNCE COMPOSITION	DNCE 5053001-3.00	A	Fall 2000	CU Boulder		
✓	CHOREOGRAPHY	DNCE 6073010-3.00	A-	Spring 2001	CU Boulder	repeatable	
✓	CHOREOGRAPHY	DNCE 6073010-3.00	A-	Spring 2002	CU Boulder	repeatable	
IP	Alexander Technique	DNCE 5601-2					
IP	THE GRADUATE PROJECT	DNCE 6969908-4.00	IP	Fall 2002	CU Boulder		
25 Credit Hours earned/or are in progress with 21 GPA credits for a GPA of 3.719 in this section.							
Dance Electives							
Non-Dance Electives							
	Non-dance Electives	6 credits from THTR 5039, 5049, FINE 4150					
0 of the 6 required credits have been earned or are in progress.							

SOFTWARE PURPOSE

The **Degreement** enables educational institutions to efficiently monitor student progress while enhancing the communication process between advisors, faculty, and students:

- Advisors record exceptions to student requirements and help students graduate in a timely manner
- Faculty use their read-only access to monitor students' information
- Students track academic progress, view their records and explore available course options
- All users can check degree requirements, course prerequisites, and progress towards degree completion
- All users have access to the same data resulting in improved communication, greater accuracy, more efficient use of time, and more time for personal contact and advising on future plans

SOFTWARE FEATURES

- **Automatic Email Notification** – based on low GPA for risk of failing, high GPA for scholarships, registration for a specific course, or students about to graduate
- **User-Friendly Web Interface** – users access the system from any location via the internet over an encrypted network connection
- **Easy-to-Read Reports** – customizable presentations of desired views
- **Student's Degree Audit** – includes audits for majors/minors/certificate, “what-if” scenarios for changes and course options, exceptions by advisors, various breakdowns of current grade point average (GPA), and a list of course possibilities for degree requirements.
- **Course prerequisite confirmation** – ensure requirements for taking a course have been satisfied

FOR ADVISORS

Degreement allows advisors to efficiently guide students in their educational career and facilitates communication with faculty and students:

- Monitor students' progress towards a degree/certificate program
- Check if prerequisites have been satisfied
- Identify students who have fulfilled degree / certificate requirements
- Specify courses to fulfill particular requirements
- Share decisions with students and faculty
- Store exceptions and decisions regarding students within the system, including relevant comments
- Track advisor exceptions and comments on a per degree basis for students with multiple degrees
- Use time saved for more personal contact with students to advise and discuss their goals, questions, and needs

“The advising function in electrical engineering has been greatly streamlined. I could not imagine getting my job accomplished without Degreement. The student’s information is at my fingertips... I don’t need preparation to meet with students and therefore they can drop in without appointments.” Pam Wheeler, University of Colorado Boulder, 2001

FOR FACULTY

Degreement helps faculty to better manage their classes and assist students with educational goal-setting:

- Ensure students registered for a course have satisfied its prerequisites
- Identify students who qualify for scholarships and fellowships
- Access data for assisting students

FOR STUDENTS

Degreeement assists students to quickly and easily see their progress towards attaining their degree and achieving educational goals:

- Perform degree audits to track progress in satisfying degree requirements
- View unofficial transcript sorted by course name, grade, and date taken
- Display GPA listed by course department prefix and a tally of credits for each letter grade
- Check whether prerequisites are satisfied before selecting courses
- Receive email notifications when student information changes
- Receive email notification of a need to meet with advisors
- Review progress prior to meeting with academic advisors to be better prepared to discuss options

“Degreeement is the easiest and most effective planning tool for Engineering students.” Thaine Hock, Electrical and Computer Engineering junior, University of Colorado, Boulder, 2003

- Match courses against degree requirements by selecting from degree audit views organized by course type, name, scheduling order for particular degrees, and more

“Degreeement is user friendly and easy to navigate. I don’t know what I would do without it.” Ben Wolpoff, Electrical and Computer Engineering senior, University of Colorado, Boulder, 2003

- Plot out “what-if” degree scenarios to see long-term scheduling effects or consequences of switching majors

DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY FOR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Educational institutions benefit from using the features of *Degreeement*:

- Reduce budget, gain efficiency ... economical, easy to use automated system provides a flexible tool with time saving features for more professional and accurate student advising
- Instant access to student records for making decisions on issues such as probation, scholarships, grants, and athletic eligibility
- Quicker and more efficient inter-departmental communication regarding students
- A centralized repository of departmental degree requirements
- Complete record of decisions concerning students eliminates time needlessly spent tracking paperwork

RETURN ON INVESTMENT (ROI)

The following ROI is based on information from current customers using the *Degreeement*:

- Easy installation, customization and maintenance and a competitive, economical price provide a rapid return on investments
- Costly and time consuming manual research is eliminated and human error reduced
- Eliminates 20 minutes a year per student of processing time including filing and checking data against requirements. Saves 200 student processing hours per year for 600 students or \$5,000 savings based on a \$25 per hour advisor salary

“Our department saves over 1,000 man hours every year. There is no question that the software serves a need for us.” Sally Blackman, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2001

- Reduces the time required for administrators to check prerequisites resulting in savings of two hours per course offered for an average class size of 40 students

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