



CAREER PATH

Arts & Communications

CAREER CLUSTER

Arts, Audio-Visual Technology & Communications

CAREER PATHWAY

Performing Arts



CHOREOGRAPHER

Create and teach dance. May direct and stage presentations.

Knowledge and Skills Needed for this Career

In addition to courses required for high school graduation, essential skills and knowledge needed for a career as a choreographer are reinforced by taking rigorous and relevant courses, as well as participating in work-based experiences and student organization activities.

(See the Sample Personal Plan of Study for suggested coursework, activities, and knowledge and skills to pursue in preparation of an occupation in this Career Cluster.)

Education Requirements

Occupation	Percent of Missouri employees aged 25 to 44 in the occupation whose highest level of educational attainment is-		
	High School or Less	Some College	Bachelor Degree or More
Choreographers	41.2%	36.4%	22.4%
Entertainers & Performers, Sports & Related Workers	21.5%	28.8%	49.6%
Arts, Design, Sports Entertainment, & Media	15.9%	29.9%	54.2%

Most Common Educational/Training Level: Work experience in a related occupation
 Apprenticeships are available for more than 240 occupations. Visit www.oa.doleta.gov/bat.cfm
 Note: Be sure to learn whether your occupation has a specific requirement for education or licensing.

National and State Wage Information

Location	Pay Period	2008		
		Entry*	Median	Experienced**
United States	Hourly	\$12.17	\$18.52	\$26.62
	Yearly	\$25,300	\$38,500	\$55,400
Missouri	Hourly	\$15.47	\$27.77	\$31.74
	Yearly	\$32,200	\$57,800	\$66,000

Based on (*) lower 25% and (**) upper 25% percentile of wages

National and State Employment Trends

Choreographer	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings*
	2006	2016		
United States	20,400	20,900	+ 2%	1,180
Missouri	190	160	-17 %	10

*The estimate for Job Openings includes both turnover that results from people who leave the occupation (e.g. quit, retire, death) and new jobs that are created.

Educational Opportunities

Note: This list may not be all inclusive. For more information about Missouri schools and programs, visit www.dhe.mo.gov

Lindenwood University

Saint Charles, MO
 (636) 949-2000
www.lindenwood.edu

Missouri State University

Springfield, MO
 (417) 836-5000
www.missouristate.edu

Stephens College

Columbia, MO
 (573) 442-2211
www.stephens.edu

University of Missouri-Kansas City

Kansas City, MO
 (816) 235-1000
www.umkc.edu

Washington University in St Louis

Saint Louis, MO
 (314) 935-5000
www.wustl.edu

Webster University

Saint Louis, MO
 (314) 961-2660
www.webster.edu



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