

Ailey/Fordham BFA In Dance: Timeline And FAQ's

Application Timeline for Fall 2013 Admission

- ✓ Summer 2012 – Request Fordham University and The Ailey School applications
- ✓ Fall 2012 – Make sure all required tests for entrance to Fordham have been completed
- ✓ **November 1, 2012 – The Ailey School BFA Dance Application Deadline**
- ✓ **November 1, 2012 – Fordham University BFA Academic Common Application Deadline**
- ✓ December 2012 – February 2013 - Auditions for the Ailey/Fordham BFA Program – audition invitation status determined through Dance Application
- ✓ March – April 2013 – Ailey/Fordham admission decisions mailed by Fordham University
- ✓ May 1, 2013 – Deposits due to Fordham University

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

→ **How do I apply to the program?**

The Ailey/Fordham B.F.A. Program requires submission of the Common Application for Fordham University and the BFA Dance Application for The Ailey School. Please be sure that you include all supplementary materials required for each application as listed. Fordham University requires an application fee; The Ailey School does not. If you are invited to audition, there is a small audition fee required at that time.

→ **When are the applications due?**

Please note that our admissions procedures have changed. Both the Dance Application to The Ailey School and the Common Application for Fordham University are due on November 1, 2012.

→ **Why are there two separate applications?**

Because Fordham University and The Ailey School are two separate institutions, they have different application and admission requirements. Admitted students must meet the admission criteria for both institutions. Fordham University and The Ailey School make a mutual decision about which students are granted admission to the Ailey/Fordham program.

→ **How do I apply for financial aid?**

Fordham University requires both the Federal Application for Financial Student Aid (FAFSA) and the CSS Financial Aid Profile. Both applications can be completed online: Find the FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov and the CSS Profile at www.collegeboard.com. For questions regarding financial, please contact the Fordham University Financial Aid Office at (212) 636-6700. Additional information can also be found on the Fordham University website at www.fordham.edu/Tuition__Financial_A.

→ **Can I transfer in the spring semester?**

No. Because the program syllabus is based on a full year, transfer admission is granted for the fall term only.

→ **As an applicant, is it required that I have experience in Horton and Graham-based modern to apply?**

No. The Ailey School will hold placement classes for all new students, after which those with little to no experience with either modern technique will be placed in level one for both.

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→ **If I am invited to audition, should I travel to New York?**

The same artistic panel adjudicates each audition and the same audition material is given in each city which allows for a fair audition process for all students. Fordham University holds an open house for accepted students in April and current B.F.A. students will be on hand for a small performance and discussion. Please make arrangements to visit in advance.

→ **What is the maximum length for the solo?**

The maximum length is three (3) minutes, but it should not be less than two (2) minutes.

→ **When will I be informed of the acceptance decision?**

Ailey/Fordham admission decisions will be sent by the Fordham University admissions office by the end of March 2013. Acceptance into the Ailey/Fordham program is mutually decided upon by both institutions.

→ **What is the maximum number of students accepted?**

The number of students accepted in a given year is determined by the total program enrollment. The typical class size does not exceed 35 students.

→ **Do you choose students in order to fulfill a male to female ratio?**

The Ailey School will choose students who are exceptional dancers just as Fordham University will choose students who excel academically, with no emphasis placed on the applicant's gender.

→ **What is the schedule like for BFA students?**

After taking placement classes, all students receive a customized dance schedule that reflects their previous training. A student's schedule might consist of a 2-3 daily dance classes at The Ailey School and 2-4 liberal arts classes per week at Fordham University in addition to rehearsals. There are no dance classes or rehearsals on Saturday or Sunday.

→ **Will BFA students take classes at Fordham's Rose Hill campus?**

All B.F.A. students will take classes only at Lincoln Center campus.

→ **Where will BFA students live?**

All B.F.A. students will live at the Lincoln Center campus if they have chosen to live in the dorm. If a student accepts housing as a freshman, they are guaranteed housing throughout their four years as long as they remain in the dorm. Students may live off campus if they wish but it is very difficult to move back into the dorm once they have moved out.

→ **What courses are taken at The Ailey School? What courses are taken at Fordham University?**

All dance technique courses are taken at The Ailey School, along with a few dance academic courses such as Anatomy & Kinesiology and Performance and Art. All academic courses are taken at Fordham University's Lincoln Center campus, along with a few dance academic courses such as Music for Dancers and Dance History.

→ **Are there opportunities for students to perform?**

The freshmen and sophomores participate in workshops which result in performances in the fall and spring. The juniors take a Repertory Workshop that culminates in studio showings and performances. In the senior year, students will participate in Ailey/Fordham Student Dancers (AFSD) and perform numerous times in the tri-state area. Various student-run concerts and private engagements offer students additional opportunities to perform as well.