**CLASS SYLLABUS**

**Golden Girls DanceTeam – PHYA 173/273**

**1 Credit Hour**

 **Semester/Year: Fall 2013 – Spring 2014 Office Number: Gym 228**

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**Meeting: MWF 1pm-2:50 and T/R 8am-9:50**

**COURSE DESCRIPTON:**

This course is an advanced training for the Golden Girls Dance Team. Practice time is mandatory. Must have adequate exercise and dance apparel. This class is by audition only.

**PRE-REQUISITES:**

Audition/Permission by instructor.

**SCHOLARSHIPS:**

$500 scholarship per semester 1st year, and $750 per semester 2nd year. Being dismissed from a team may result in paying a prorated proportion of scholarship back to CSI. Any dancer who chooses to drop the team for any reason during any part of the duration of the school year (both Fall and Spring Semester) will result in paying a prorated proportion of the scholarship back to CSI.

**REQUIRED TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES:**

All necessary supplies and uniforms are provided as part of the class. Supplies and uniforms are the property of the College of Southern Idaho and will be returned in reasonable condition. A hold on your account and charges will apply for those who don’t return their uniforms or if the uniforms are damaged. CSI planner, dance shoes, and dance attire are required daily. No gum. Hair must be secured and pulled out of the face.

**EXPECTED OUTCOMES AND ASSESSMENTS:**

**OUTCOME:** This course involves training and development of strength, technique, audience participation skills, and dance choreography through a coordinated program, as well as, demonstration of these skills at athletic events, smoker, banquets, rallies, personal appearances etc.

**ASSESSMENT:** Verbal feedback will be given at practice, games, events, appearances etc. Goals and dates will be set as assignments to achieve desired outcomes.

**OUTCOME:** Students will demonstrate good sportsmanship, positive public relation and appropriate representation of the college and athletic department. Dancers will follow the same athletic code as the athletes.

**ASSESSMENT:** Observation at public relations. Refer to the College Handbook and Athletic Handbook. Available on the website at [www.csi.edu](http://www.csi.edu)

**OUTCOME**: Dancers will be expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner at all times. Dancers will follow the athletic code.

**ASSESSMENT:** Failure to do so is addressed in the attached Commitment Policy. Refer to the College Handbook and Athletic Handbook. Available on the website at [www.csi.edu](http://www.csi.edu)

**OUTCOME:** Promote school spirit with a high level of support and enthusiasm for activities and all school sponsored events. Conduct a professional performance during games. Attention to detail such as costuming, hair, make-up will be required.

**ASSESSMENT:** Performance of school spirit will be observed. Attention to costuming details will be observed at events and discussed at practices, games, events etc. Demerit points will be issued for poor performance, conduct and costume details. 1 Demerit point will be given per poor costume detail, performance or incident.

**OUTCOME:** Maintain a 2.0 GPA and 12 credits are required.

**ASSESSMENT:** Progress reports will be reviewed.

**OUTCOME:** Regular attendance in class and athletic events, regular participation in dance team activities including games, banquets, fundraisers, meetings and projects.

**ASSESSMENT:** Role will be taken.

**FITNESS:**

Golden Girls members will be expected maintain an advanced level of fitness. Any dancer falling below this individualized level of fitness will not be allowed to perform until optimal fitness is reached. Nutrition plans are available upon request. This policy allows for a professional level of performance, both visual and technical.

**POLICIES AND PROCEDURES:**

Please refer to the attached Commitment Policy and General Rules. Must sign liability waiver and medical release information sheets. If an injury occurs the athletic trainer will assess the injury. If further medical attention is needed you will be taken to see a physician. CSI does not provide secondary insurance. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**GRADING PRACTICES:**

Grades are based on attendance, performance, participation and attitude.

No CSI uniforms are to be worn outside of CSI sponsored functions. No uniforms will be worn during practice unless otherwise indicated. No jewelry or baggy clothing allowed in class, hair must be secured out of the face.

 20 points – Assignments/Personal appearances/fundraising JUICE BAR etc…

 60 points – Practice and Attendance

 20 points – Attitude as evaluated by the instructor

 Extra Credit – As discussed by instructor. One letter grade per semester.

Demerit points to be given when necessary. 1 demerit point per incident. 4 demerit points = drop 1 letter grade

**ATTENDANCE POLICY:**

Students are required to attend ALL classes, activities, including unscheduled events that may arise.

1 unexcused absence = drop 1 letter grade or 4 points

2 unexcused absence = drop 2 letter grades or 8 points

3 unexcused absence = dropped from class with a grade of “F” : Drop from class may result in paying a prorated proportion of scholarship.

**EXCUSED ABSENCE:**

-An illness or injury must be confirmed by a doctor’s note.

-Should some unforeseen emergency occur (i.e. death in the family) it is the responsibility of the student to contact the instructor ASAP to discuss options.

 3 excused absences = drop 1 letter grade or 4 points

 5 excused absences = drop 2 letter grades or 8 points

 7 excused absences = dropped from class with a “W” or “NC”

**TARDIES:**

Being late for class constitutes a tardy – no exceptions, no excuses

3 tardies = 1 unexcused absence or 4 points.

**GENERAL RULES:**

* Dance Team members shall maintain a 2.0 grade point average each semester, and be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours at the College of Southern Idaho.
* Dance Team members are required to attend dance camp. Failure to attend will result in dismissal from the team.
* Dance Team members are expected to work as a team. Each member is expected to support one another and perform together. Conflict among team members will not be tolerated by the coach and will be addressed according to the commitment policy.
* Jewelry is prohibited during practices or performances. This includes watches, toe rings etc.
* All visible tattoo's must be covered up for all games and performances.
* If a team member arrives at a game, performance or practice intoxicated; that individual will be terminated from the team and will result with the full scholarship returned to CSI.
* Each Dance Team member is responsible for all clothing, uniforms, costumes, bags, poms, props and all equipment assigned to her. Team members are responsible for pick up and returning of equipment. Care must be taken to ensure items are in presentable and clean condition. Each member shall be responsible for the replacement of any item if damaged or misused. Uniforms, costumes or equipment are not to be worn or used outside of school sponsored functions.
* Each member of the Dance Team is required to have a physical. All insurance forms, waivers, and forms as assigned by the coach must be turned in by the specific dates given.
* Each Dance Team member shall attend practices and games unless school classes conflict with the times of these. Authorization to miss a practice or game must be approved prior to the absence and in time for the Coach and Team to prepare.
* Each member of the Dance Team shall not be tardy to practices or games. If a Dance Team member is tardy, disciplinary measures will be taken. (see syllabus)
* No gum, no food, and no cell phones at games, practices or events. Dancers will not be allowed to eat or drink during games or events. The use of cell phones, except in an emergency, is prohibited at practice, functions and games.
* Dance Team members are expected to work as a team. Friendships or non-friendships shall not have a negative effect on the team or performance.
* ALL Dance Team members are required to attend a fitness or weight training class to be assigned by the coach.
* You are considered unexcused unless you have made arrangements prior to the absence WITH THE COACH, to be excused.
* Other rules concerning Dance Team members may be given verbally or in written form by the coach. Failure to adhere to these additional rules may result in disciplinary action or termination from the team. Termination from the team may result in paying a prorated proportion of the scholarship.

**JUICE BAR**: You will be required to spend a minimum of two hours per week working in the Juice Bar. It is required that Cheer and Dance provide fundraising throughout the year. Please read and adhere to the following rules:

* Theft has been a constant problem – this is so very unfortunate since you are only steeling from your fellow team mates and your department. Your coaches cannot face the faculty budget staff and ask for funds when funds from the juice bar continue to go missing. If the juice bar is closed down because of continued theft, you will be required to go to family, friends, businesses and collect a certain amount for your team in order to fulfill the fundraising requirement. You will give up Saturdays to run car washes and you will give up more of your free time to sell candy, pizza, bread braids, candles and anything else we can come up with to put funds in our account. ITS YOUR CHOICE! THINK TWICE BEFORE YOU DECIDE TO TAKE MONEY , EQUIPMENT or PRODUCTS from YOUR juice bar!
* Hair MUST BE PULLED UP! This is a food safety LAW – if you’re hair is down, we can be closed down.
* Attend training
* Keep the food area clean at all times
* If you cannot attend your time – you must find someone to cover for you (just like a real job). If you fail to show up or cover yourself… $5 will be deducted from your refund for EACH offense.

These rules and regulations are in place to provide the structure, organization, and success of the CSI Golden Girls Dance Team program, as well as the safety of Golden Girl members. The coach makes the final decision on all rules and regulations.

I read, understand and accept the General Rules placed before me. I understand that any deviation of these rules could result in a drop in grade, disciplinary action, even termination from the team with a result in paying a prorated proportion of the scholarship to CSI.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**COMMITMENT POLICY**

Being a member of the CSI Golden Girls Dance Team involves commitment – a commitment to correct and modify the behavior or performance of a dancer, when necessary, in order to help that individual continue being a member of the team. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

To handle these challenging opportunities, CSI has a program, which allows a Coach to approach problems positively to help the member of the team discover the reasons for the problem and commit to a solution.

The focus of this program is approaching the member of the dance team as soon as a problem occurs whenever that problem is detrimental to the success of the members, the team, the coach, the program or lessens the opportunities and experience of being involved with CSI and the Golden Girls Dance program. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The three discipline steps of the program are:

**VERBAL WARNING:**

The verbal warning will be completed if a problem occurs with a member of the squad or team. During a verbal warning, the problem will be discussed. All relevant information will be gathered and a mutual solution will be developed. The team member must make a firm commitment to improving in the areas identified by the Coach. This discussion will be identified as a verbal warning and will be documented as such.

**WRITTEN WARNING:**

The written warning is used if the problem occurs a second time. It places both the problems and the solutions in writing and is the final step taken in an attempt to help the member of the team be successful in this program. Together, the Coach and the member should develop solutions to these problems.

The Coach should explain this is the final step taken in our Commitment Program and state if further problems occur the relationship will be ended. A portion of this discussion should also include whether this opportunity is a good match of the members talents, attitude and commitment.

If a member refuses to sign this form, ask them to place the words “refuse to sign” on the signature line. This provides proof that the conversation took place.

The written warning will be reviewed with your Athletic Director. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**DISMISSAL:**

If another problem issue occurs, the matter may result in termination upon the approval of the Coach & Athletic Director.

***Regarding dismissal: If the offense is such that immediate dismissal is warranted by the coach, then no written or verbal agreement will be given. This might be in the case of blatant disrespect toward the coach, evidence of breaking the law or evidence of drug use (this includes alcohol). We hold to our ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY on these issues.***

**I have read, understand and agree to the Syllabus, General Rules, and Commitment Policy put in place by the College of Southern Idaho.**

**Golden Girl Member Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 **date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**CSI MISSION STATEMENT:**

**The College of Southern Idaho, a comprehensive community college, provides educational, social, cultural, economic, and workforce development opportunities that meet the diverse needs of the communities it serves. CSI prepares students to lead enriched, productive and responsible lives in a global society.**

**Drop Policy: The student is responsible to drop the course.** A student may drop a course or all courses prior to the end of late registration (**first Friday of the semester**) without a “W” being recorded on the student’s official transcript. A student initiated drop after the late registration period is considered a withdrawal, and results in the grade of “W”. (Students may drop courses online until the end of the late registration period. In order to withdraw from one or more courses following late registration, a completed registration form is required. Instructions on the form indicate when a signature of instructor and/or Financial Aid advisor is required. The completed form may be submitted to Admissions & Records or any off-campus center.) **NOTE:**  Students may withdraw from courses until 75% of the course meetings have elapsed. **Students must withdraw themselves if they decide not to complete the class. Students who stop attending yet do not drop/withdraw from the class will get a failing grade (or whatever grade they earned).** After 75% of the term has elapsed (12th week of the semester for fall and spring full-semester classes) students **cannot** initiate a drop/withdrawal. Students will be issued a grade after this deadline.

**CSI email:***Since email is the primary source of written communication with students, all registered CSI students get a college email account. Student e-mail addresses have the following format:* [*<address>@eaglemail.csi.edu*](https://mail.csi.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=f1d301c12d1a441b9364eab39135c261&URL=mailto%3aaddress%40eaglemail.csi.edu) *where <address> is a name selected by the student as a part of activating his/her account. Students activate their accounts and check their CSI e-mail online at* [*http://eaglemail.csi.edu*](https://mail.csi.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=f1d301c12d1a441b9364eab39135c261&URL=http%3a%2f%2feaglemail.csi.edu)*. Instructors and various offices send messages to these student accounts. Students must check their CSI e-mail accounts regularly to avoid missing important messages and deadlines. At the beginning of each semester free training sessions are offered to students who need help in using their accounts.*

**On-line Course Evaluation Statement:** *Students are strongly encouraged to complete evaluations at the end of the course. Evaluations are very important to assist the teaching faculty in continually improving the course. Evaluations are available online through MyCSI (*[*http://mycsi.csi.edu*](http://mycsi.csi.edu)*) by clicking on the CoursEval tab in the yellow navigation bar at the top of the MyCSI website once you are successfully logged-in.  Students will receive an email when the evaluation becomes available and then have up to two weeks to submit the evaluation before the end of the course. The last day to complete an evaluation is the last day of the course. Evaluations are anonymous and are not available to faculty until after grades are submitted*

**Disabilities:** *Any student with a documented disability may be eligible for reasonable accommodations. To determine eligibility and secure services, students should contact Student Disability Services at their first opportunity after registration for a class(es). Student Disability Services is located on the second floor of the Taylor Building on the Twin Falls Campus. 208.732.6260 or e-mail Tara Williams,* *twilliams@csi.edu**.*

**CSI CAMPUS SECURITY** – The College of Southern Idaho is committed to providing a safe environment for all students.  Currently in place is an Emergency Notification System (RAVE) that provides information relating to an emergency on any CSI campus.  This information is delivered electronically and can be received by all phone numbers and internet-equipped computers identified by the student.  Registration is automatic when students register and contact information can be customized online ([http://www.csi.edu/alert/](https://mail.csi.edu/owa/redir.aspx?C=486e85ead71c48a9854a1a685938624d&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.csi.edu%2falert%2f)) as necessary.  The Twin Falls campus is also equipped with an Emergency Warning “Siren” that can be heard outside of buildings across campus.  In the event of a signal, students arriving on campus should leave, and others should proceed with caution to avoid the emergency area.  Students are encouraged to report any emergency (medical, criminal, behavioral, etc.) that is cause for action.  Do this by calling 911 regardless of which campus you are on.  If you are on the Twin Falls campus you can also call CSI Campus Security at 732-6605 after placing the 911 call (the Twin Falls campus has security personnel available 24/7).