PED039 Gordon College Ballroom Dance

Tuesday/ Thursday 11:30-1:05pmm – Bennett Center Dance Studio

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Purpose of the Course: This course is designed to introduce students to the art of Ballroom and Social Dancing. Students are encouraged to attain basic movement patterns and steps as well as to develop an appreciation for this art form. Course Objectives: Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge and skill in the following areas:

- Ability to understand, demonstrate and apply movement sequences presented in class
- Ability to retain material presented to them from class to class
- Ability to work with their peers and further develop social skills
- Ability to thoroughly enjoy and appreciate what they are engaging in

Course Requirements:

Attire: Students are required to dress accordingly in attire that is comfortable and that won't restrict any movement. Street shoes are not permitted. Proper dance shoes will be provided for a nominal rental fee, payable to Gordon College. ALL MONEY MUST BE PAID BY THE THIRD WEEK OF CLASS. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.

Attendance Policy: The policy at Gordon College for a PE class states that a student may have NO MORE THAN 2 ABSENCES in order to successfully pass the course. Any more than the allotted two absences will automatically result in failure of the course. (NO **EXCUSED ABSENCES.)** Students are expected to arrive on time to class to ensure they do not miss any new material presented. THREE LATE ARRIVALS TO CLASS (10 MIN AFTER CLASS STARTS) WILL AUTOMATICALLY RESULT IN ONE ABSENCE. Your grade is 100% based on attendance as well as class participation and positive attitudes.

Proper Studio/Classroom Etiquette:

- No Street Shoes
- No Food/ Drink (Water Only)
- Respect for others

Students must adhere to and practice only material presented in class. Any deviation from this policy may result in personal injury for which the instructor(s) will not be held responsible. NO EXCEPTIONS!

**** Due to the nature of the course it maybe necessary for the instructor to use hands on, tactile movement to ensure proper execution, learning, and training of material. If anyone is uncomfortable or has a problem with this, please see me privately so I can adjust accordingly.