



Hungarian Dance University

# **Information on video admission** for the **2025/26** academic year





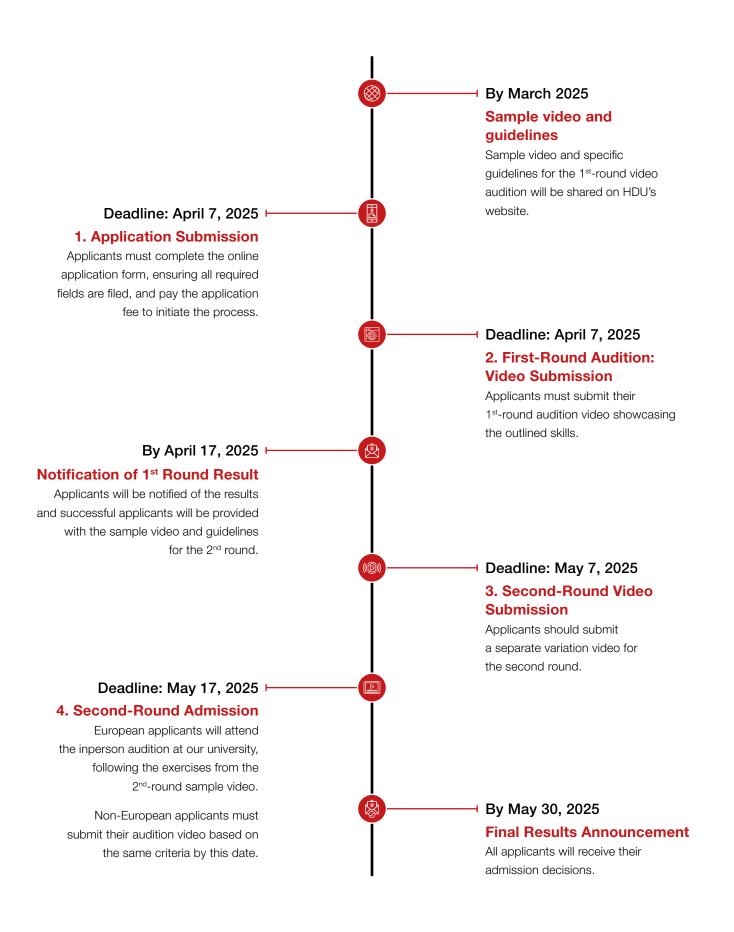








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The admission process for international students at the Hungarian Dance University consists of two rounds for all applicants. The first round is conducted via video audition, which is mandatory for every candidate. Those who pass the first round will proceed to the second round, which includes:

- **» European applicants:** A live, in-person audition held at the University, complemented by a video submission.
- » Non-European (overseas) applicants: The entire second round conducted via video audition, as per the guidelines detailed below.

This ensures a comprehensive evaluation of all candidates, regardless of location.

Specific requirements for the video audition vary by specialisation and programmes are outlined in the respective sections of this document. However, the **general guidelines for video submissions** are as follows:

- » Sending the Application form and the audition fee is necessary. Application submission deadline: April 7, 2025.
- » All of the videos should be sent (submit) via video link to contact@mte.eu
- » The video link must include the candidate's full name as follow: LAST NAME in capital letters and the first name in lower letters.
- » Ensure the quality of both image and sound before submitting.
- » Position the camera at an angle that best highlights the dancer's abilities.
- » The recording must not include the teacher's voice or instructions.
- » Videos must meet the specific requirements of the chosen specialisation and programme (see detailed sections).

# **Important Notes:**

- » The University cannot accept responsibility for poor-quality videos.
- To ensure high quality, recordings should ideally be made in a rehearsal room or studio environment with good lighting. Ensure the dancer's full body is visible at all times, and there is a clear contrast between the dancer's feet and the background.
- » Using a tripod for a stable image is strongly recommended.

Thank you for adhering to these guidelines, and we wish you the best of luck in the audition process!

- » Classical ballet specialisation Admission Requirements
- » Contemporary Dance specialisation Admission Requirements
- » Modern Ballroom Dances Specialisation Admission Requirements
- » Choreography BA Admission Requirements





Applicable to both the Dance Artist BA and the Dancer and Coach BA programmes.

The admission process consists of **two stages**, with the following requirements:

# 1<sup>st</sup> Round – For All Candidates

Each applicant must submit a **digital video recording** performing **classical ballet class work in a studio environment based on the provided reference video** (link attached below). The exercises must be performed exactly as shown in the reference video, *without modifications*. The recording must clearly display the candidate's full body throughout.

- » Reference Video Link: <u>https://bit.ly/ClassicalBallet01</u>
- **» Purpose:** To assess the candidate's physical abilities, including body shape, proportions, feet, en dehors, flexibility, and alignment.

# » Clothing Requirements:

The dancer's clothing must contrast with the background.

- Male Applicants: Dark tights and a fitted plain T-shirt (any colour).
- Female Applicants: White or pink tights and a sleeveless plain leotard (any colour).
- Prohibited Items: Skirts, practice tutu, leg warmers or loose T-shirts.
- » Camera Setup: Positioned slightly diagonally to the front.

#### \*The exercises recorded for the audition include:

- Warm-up: Barefoot, in tights, starting in first position with the back to the barre to highlight foot structure.
- **Barre Exercises:** Pliés, tendus and jetés, adagio, grand battement, and basic pointe exercise (recorded on one side only, with the option to change direction after each exercise in soft shoes).

# Submission Deadline:

# April 7, 2025, 14:00 (CET).

Submit the video link via email to contact@mte.eu

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

# 2.1. Video Requirements for All Candidates

Candidates must submit a digital video recording of:

- » A classical ballet variation.
- » A contemporary solo (up to 3 minutes) showcasing movement vocabulary beyond ballet.
  - Clothing Requirements: Male and Female Applicants: Barefoot, soft ballet slippers or "Nu-pieds". Black pants/shorts and a black T-shirt or top.

# **Submission Deadline:**

May 7, 2025, 14:00 (CET).

Submit the video link via email.

# 2.2. Classical Ballet Class Work

- » For European candidates and overseas applicants able to attend:
  - A classical ballet class conducted **in-person** at Hungarian Dance University (HDU) in a studio environment. (1145 Budapest Columbus u. 87-89.)
  - Date: May 17, 2025.
  - Reference video available from April 17, 2025 (link and the exact time of the audition will be sent via email).\*

# » For overseas candidates unable to attend in person:

- A digital **video** recording of classical ballet class work based on the same reference video.\* **The exercises must be performed exactly as shown and recorded** with the full body visible throughout.
- Reference video available from April 17, 2025 (link will be sent via email).
- Submission Deadline for Video Recording: May 17, 2025, 14:00 (CET).

# Clothing Guidelines:

The dancer's clothing must contrast with the background.

- > Male Applicants: Dark tights and a fitted plain T-shirt (any colour).
- > Female Applicants: White or pink tights and a sleeveless plain leotard (any colour).
- > Prohibited Items: Skirts, practice tutus, leg warmers, or loose T-shirts.
- Camera Setup:
  - Barre Exercises: Positioned slightly diagonally to the front.
  - > Centre Practice: Front view.

#### \*The class recorded for the audition and sent by the link will include:

- Barre Exercises: Record one side only, changing direction after each exercise in soft shoes.
- Centre Practice: Record one side only, with the following exercises included:
  - > Battement tendus.
  - > Pirouette combination (en dehors and en dedans, both sides).
  - > Adagio with grand pirouettes.
  - > Allegro combinations: small jumps, battus, medium allegro with sissonnes, and grand allegro.
  - > Enchainement: female applicants must wear pointe shoes for this exercise.
  - Pointework for female applicants: Warm-up échappés, retirés, double pirouettes (en dehors and en dedans) on pointe.

# Submission Deadline:

# May 17, 2025, 14:00 (CET).





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# 1<sup>st</sup> Round – For All Candidates

Each applicant must submit a digital video recording as described below.

# a) Contemporary Dance Exercises:

Each applicant must submit a **digital video recording** performing **modern exercises in a studio environment based on the provided reference video** (link attached below) which contains several exercises and combinations based on Graham, Limon, Cunningham and certain contemporary dance techniques. **The exercises must be performed exactly as shown in the reference video**, *without modifications*. The recording must clearly display the candidate's full body throughout.

- » Reference Video Link: https://bit.ly/contemporary01
- » **Purpose:** To assess the candidate's main dance skills in modern and contemporary dance (alignment, coordination, understanding of weight and balance, musicality, body awareness).
- » Camera Setup: Positioned slightly diagonally to the front.
- » Clothing Requirements:
  - Male Applicants: full ballet costume or long leggings and tight-fitting leotard, training shoes.
  - Female Applicants: tights, ballet dress (sleeveless or short sleeves), training shoes.
  - Prohibited Items: Skirts, practice tutu, leg warmers or loose T-shirts.

#### b) Basic Classical Ballet Exercises:

Each applicant must submit a **digital video recording** performing **classical ballet class work in a studio environment based on the provided reference video** (link attached below). **The exercises must be performed exactly as shown in the reference video**, *without modifications*. The recording must clearly display the candidate's full body throughout.

- » Reference Video Link: https://bit.ly/BasicClassicalBallet \*
- » **Purpose:** To assess the candidate's physical abilities, including body shape, proportions, feet, en dehors, flexibility, and alignment.
- » Camera Setup: Positioned slightly diagonally to the front.

# » Clothing Requirements:

- Male Applicants: full ballet costume or long leggings and tight-fitting leotard, training shoes.
- Female Applicants: tights, ballet dress (sleeveless or short sleeves), training shoes.
- Prohibited Items: Skirts, practice tutu, leg warmers or loose T-shirts.

#### \*The exercises recorded for the audition include:

- Warm-up: Barefoot, in tights, starting in first position with the back to the barre to highlight foot structure.
- **Barre Exercises:** Pliés, tendus and jetés, adagio, and grand battement (recorded on one side only, with the option to change direction after each exercise in soft shoes).

# **Submission Deadline:**

# April 7, 2025, 14:00 (CET).

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

- » For European candidates and overseas applicants able to attend:
  - **In-person admission** at Hungarian Dance University (HDU) in a studio environment. (1145 Budapest Columbus u. 87-89.)
  - Date: May 17, 2025.
  - Candidates participating in the in-person audition will be required to:
    - Perform a Solo: Prepare and present a 1.5-minute contemporary solo. The solo should showcase creativity, technical ability, and personal artistry.
    - Learn and Perform Combinations: A faculty member will teach modern and contemporary combinations during the audition. Candidates will learn and perform these on-site.
      - Reference video available from April 17, 2025 (link and the exact **time of the audition will be sent via email)**.
    - Present Basic Classical Ballet Exercises:
      - Centre Practice:
        - Battement tendus with tours.
        - Adagio with grand pirouettes.
        - Allegro combinations: small jumps, medium allegro with sissonnes.

#### » For overseas candidates unable to attend in person:

- Submit a second video audition by May 17, 2025, 14:00 CET, containing:
  - 1. **Perform a Solo:** Submit a video of a 1.5-minute contemporary solo. The solo should highlight creativity, technique, and individuality.
  - 2. **Perform Additional Online Combinations:** Candidates will receive a video with modern and contemporary material, including:
    - A contemporary floorwork combination.
    - Another modern-contemporary combination.

Candidates must learn, perform, and submit videos of these combinations.

# 3. Perform Classical Ballet Exercises:

 A digital video recording of classical ballet class work based on the same reference video.\* The exercises must be performed exactly as shown and recorded with the full body visible throughout.

#### \*The exercises recorded for the audition will include:

- Centre Practice: Record one side only with the following exercises included:
  - Battement tendus with tours.
  - Adagio with grand pirouettes.
  - Allegro combinations: small jumps, medium allegro with sissonnes.
- Reference video available from April 17, 2025 (link will be sent via email).
- Camera Setup: Positioned slightly diagonally to the front.
- **Clothing Requirements:** Barefoot, soft ballet slippers, or "Nu-pieds." Black pants/shorts and a black T-shirt or top.

#### **Submission Deadline:**

#### May 17, 2025, 14:00 (CET).



05 MODERN BALLROOM DANCES SPECIALISATION – Admission Requirements Applicable to the Dancer and Coach BA programme.

The admission process consists of **two stages**, with the following requirements:

# 1<sup>st</sup> Round – For All Candidates

Each applicant must submit a digital video recording as described below.

- » Dance Requirements: Perform your own choreography of 32 beats for each of the following dances: Cha-cha-cha, Jive, English Waltz, Slowfox.
- » Performances must be done **solo**, according to your gender, using figures from *The Ballroom Technique* for Standard dances and *Technique of Latin Dancing* by Walter Laird for Latin-American dances.
- » Choreography may include advanced figures, but only the rhythmically and technically accurate dancing of the listed figures will be evaluated by the admission committee.
- » Clothing Requirements:
  - Ladies: Black tight-fitting top and skirt.
  - Men: Black tight-fitting top and trousers.
  - Wear teacher shoes or shoes appropriate to the dance.
- » Camera Setup:
  - Recordings must show the full body of the dancer in a clear studio environment with good lighting.
  - The camera should be positioned directly in front of the dancer.

# Submission Deadline:

# April 7, 2025, 14:00 (CET).



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

- » For European candidates and overseas applicants able to attend:
  - **In-person admission** at Hungarian Dance University (HDU) in a studio environment. (1145 Budapest Columbus u. 87-89.)
  - Date: May 17, 2025.
  - Prepare the following: Samba, Paso Doble, Tango, Quickstep.
  - The exact time of the audition will be sent via email.

#### » For overseas candidates unable to attend in person:

- Submit a second video audition by May 17, 2025, 14:00 CET, containing:
  - > Solo performances of:
    - Samba
    - · Paso Doble
    - Tango
    - Quickstep

#### Clothing Requirements:

- **Ladies:** Black tight-fitting top and skirt.
- Men: Black tight-fitting top and trousers.
- > Wear teacher shoes or shoes appropriate to the dance.

#### Camera Setup:

- Recordings must show the full body of the dancer in a clear studio environment with good lighting.
- > The camera should be positioned directly in front of the dancer.

# Submission Deadline:

### May 17, 2025, 14:00 (CET).





Applicable to the Choreography BA programme.

The admission process consists of **two stages**, with the following requirements:

# 1<sup>st</sup> Round – For All Candidates

- » Written Documents:
  - **Curriculum Vitae (CV):** Highlighting relevant educational background, dance experience, and achievements. *(maximum One A4 page)*
  - **Motivation Letter:** Explaining the applicant's goals, interest in choreography, and reasons for applying to the program. *(maximum One A4 page)*
  - **Supporting Documents:** Any certificates, contracts, or documents verifying prior dance training or professional experience.

# » Video Submissions:

- **Video 1:** A self-performed choreography, maximum 2 minutes, showcasing the applicant's creative and technical abilities.
  - > Camera Setup: Front view, no camera movements.
  - > Clothing: No costumes allowed, regular training wear.
- Video 2: A choreography performed by others, maximum 5 minutes, demonstrating the applicant's ability to create movement for other dancers.
  - **Camera Setup:** Can be recorded performance on stage too but not edited.
- Video Recording Requirements
  - Camera Setup:
    - Minimum resolution: FHD (1920X1018)
    - Please pay attention for the proper light conditions.
    - No edited video accepted / One shot.
  - Clothing:
    - Pay attention to wear clothes that in well contrast with your backround and the floor (for example with a withe background preferably wear black or dark clothing).

# Submission Deadline:

# April 7, 2025, 14:00 (CET).

Submit the video links and the documents via email to contact@mte.eu



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

Applicants who pass the 1st round will be invited to the 2nd round, which **includes a practical audition and interviews**.

# **1.** Practical Audition

- Create a **maximum 5-minute choreography** using a selection of provided music.
- Applicants will have 1.5 hours to complete the choreography after selecting the music

# 2. Professional Discussion

• A conversation about the submitted choreographies and the one created during the audition.

# 3. General Knowledge Interview/Online Test

• A discussion or assessment of cultural and choreographic knowledge relevant to the field.

# » For European Candidates:

The second round will take place in person at Hungarian Dance University (HDU), **1145 Budapest Columbus u. 87-89, on May 17, 2025.** 

# » For Non-European (Overseas) Candidates:

The second round can be completed **synchronously online** with prior arrangement **until May 17, 2025**.