COURSE GOALS: To learn more advanced Western Swing including more advanced lifts. To learn some Waltz, Cha Cha, and line dances. To learn how to lead (Men) and follow (Women) while dancing. Also to learn how to choreograph, work as a pair and group to make various dance routines.

ATTENDANCE: Since Country Swing cannot be learned from a book, attending class is a prerequisite to learning to dance. Two absences are allowed to still receive credit for the course. Two absences are allowed to be made up, this means that you could miss four classes and still pass if absences are made up properly. See your instructor on how to make up absences.

MISCELLANEOUS: Shoes must be worn and be non-marking soles. We will be switching partners in the class very regularly so unless you are married or engaged you are expected to switch partners when asked to. Dancing with a variety of people will help you learn better. But there will be times when you have a partner to do a routine together. But for the most part we will still switch partners.

OUTLINE: This class will first be a review of the beginning moves and lifts learned, and some new material- mostly lifts will be taught as I see fit to teach. You will be given a lot of time each class to just dance and to perfect your technique, footwork, thought process of linking together moves, etc. Some of you may want to learn every move on the planet, but unless you do each move and lift hundreds of times, you won’t have it perfected and will more than likely forget it by next semester. So when given practice time you are expected to dance and keep dancing, no mingling or grouping up, unless for spotting and teaching.

Your success will depend largely upon practice OUTSIDE of class, repetition results in retention. The pace of the class will be determined by the majority of the class, depending on the skill level, so if you already know a certain dance move please relearn it with the class and don’t move ahead, thus helping the class move in an orderly manner. Above all else this class is to be FUN and EXCITING and a stress breaker for your busy day at school.

OTHER: Students with ADA-documented physical, sensory, emotional or medical impairments may be eligible for reasonable accommodations. Veterans may also be eligible for services. All accommodations are coordinated through the Disability Resource Center (DRC) in Room 101 of the University Inn, (435)797-2444 voice, (435)797-0740 TTY, or toll free at 1-800-259-2966. Please contact the DRC as early in the semester as possible. Alternate format materials (Braille, large print or digital) are available with advance notice.