

MUP 181 Spring 2018
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Office Hours: By appt. only—the instructor is usually available immediately before and after class meetings.

Required Materials: *I only ask that you bring the music, warm-ups, and songs handed out to every class meeting and keep all materials in a folder or binder.*

Course Policies

Class Meetings: Classes will consist of record study, musical/technique studies, learning of rhythms and songs, and rehearsal. We will learn a variety of songs from the jazz canon ranging from early jazz through contemporary styles. We will learn and rehearse the rhythms, techniques, orchestrations, and songs of each respective style with performances on, and possibly off, campus.

Grading

Grading will be based solely on attendance and preparedness. If an excess of absences occur without prior notification grades will be adjusted accordingly. All participants are expected to learn and prepare the music and material assigned in a timely and professional manner.

Classroom Environment:

Please have respect for the instructors and for your fellow participants by maintaining a healthy rehearsal and learning environment.

Absence Policy

ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED. As per the student handbook: When a student has accumulated unofficial absences in excess of the number of times the class meets per week, the instructor may, but is not required to, file a withdrawal from class. Each additional absence will affect your final grade as outlined below. Official absences (SCC Field trips, SCC tournaments, jury duty, etc.) and observance of religious holidays will not be counted as absences. The instructor must be notified before the official absence or

religious holiday and the student will need to provide appropriate documentation. Please see the student Handbook p. 31 for more details.

- 2 absences = -10 points/1 letter grade
- 3 absences = -20 points/2 letter grades
- 4 absences = Automatic failure and withdrawal from class
- 2 tardies or early dismissals = 1 absence

Excused Absences: Absences will be considered excused in case of illness or other emergency when the instructor is notified 24 hours in advance of the class time. The instructor must be contacted directly (please do not contact the Music Dept. Office). Any official school absences will be considered excused. (Official absences are defined as those which occur when the student is involved in an official activity with the college, i.e. field trips, tournaments, athletic events, and when the student presents the appropriate official absence excused form.)

Unexcused Absences: All absences other than those listed above will be considered unexcused.

General Requirements and Notices:

1. Each student is responsible for all information stated in the syllabus of this class.
2. Each student is responsible for the Scottsdale Community College policies included in the college catalog and the student handbook.
3. WOVeN: General education enhances student abilities in critically analyzing information and ideas and effective communication in Written, Oral, Visual, and Numerical form. General Education is WOVeN through the curriculum at Scottsdale Community College.
4. If you have a specific physical, psychiatric, or learning disability and require academic accommodations, please contact the Disability Resources & Services office located in SC144. You will need to provide appropriate documentation of your disability. Please contact DRS at 480-423-6517.