The University of Texas at **TYLER** Wind Ensemble

Fall 2021 MUEN 1140/3140 (MUSI 4199.003) MWF 11:15 AM–12:45 PM

Instructor:Felix TorresOffice:FAC 2218Email:<u>ftorres@uttyler.edu</u>Office hours:By appointmentRemind:Text @uttylerwe to 81010

Course Description

The University of Texas at Tyler Wind Ensemble is a performing musical ensemble that is open to the best wind and percussion students at the university regardless of major. The ensemble performs works ranging from the core wind ensemble repertoire to contemporary works. Upon successful completion of course requirements, students will receive 1 credit hour, and all performers must enroll. Non-music majors with minor class conflicts may enroll in MUSI 4199.01

Learning Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will be able to demonstrate the following learning outcomes:

- 1. Accurate individual, section, and ensemble intonation and rhythmic interpretation
- 2. Fundamental and advanced techniques while performing varied repertoire
- 3. Expressive performance across a wide variety of repertoire
- 4. Application of standard theory and musical terminology to communicate and describe intervals, music notation, chord structure, rhythm/meter, harmonic texture, form, and music symbols and terms referring to dynamics, tempo, and articulation
- 5. Enhanced experience and musical maturity by the further development of problem-solving skills related to the identification and correction of problems related to pitch, rhythm/meter, articulation, phrasing, balance, intonation, style, and dynamics within a rehearsal setting

Teaching and Assessment Methodology

- Technical studies, pedagogical concepts, and assigned repertoire
- Experience through various performance opportunities
- Opportunities to apply pedagogical concepts and rehearsal techniques during student-led sectionals
- Performances and recordings of various works may be analyzed and evaluated as performance models
- Recording assessments

• Other methods and assignments as applicable

Grading Policy

Grades will be determined through evaluation of the following:

- Preparation
- Attendance (rehearsals, sectionals, performances; see attendance policy for more details)
- Professionalism
- Recording assessments
 - Assessments will allowed to be resubmitted until mastery is demonstrated, but must be completed in sequential order and prior to the last day of classes for the semester; there will be no extensions beyond the final day of the semester
- Performance execution

Required Materials

- Instrument in good working order
- All music
- Pencil
- Any other materials as needed depending on repertoire
- Performance attire (see below)

Attendance Policy

Attendance is required at all rehearsals and performances and is essential to the success of the ensemble. Please respect your fellow colleagues by arriving on time to each rehearsal and performance.

Failure to provide an appropriate substitute in the event of an absence will result in the automatic lowering of the final grade. All music must be made available to the substitute performer. In the event of an absence, it must be cleared with the course instructor in advance. Please do not accept outside professional obligations without first clearing those dates with the course instructor in advance.

Punctuality is also key to our success. Arriving late to rehearsals, sectionals, or performances will count towards 1/2 of an unexcused absence.

Excused absences are defined as illness (with a note from a physician), family emergency, or a University related event or activity (with advance approval). Professional courtesy dictates notifying the course instructor in advance of an absence whenever possible.

With the above said, your mental and physical wellbeing is of utmost importance. If there is an issue that may prevent you from attending rehearsal, communication is key.

Tentative Assignment Dates

Recording assessments - bi-weekly beginning the week of August 30, 2021

Performance #1 – Monday, October 11, 2021 Performance #2 – Thursday, December 2, 2021

Performance Attire

All items in the following options must be black. Performers will be sent home to change and grade penalized if performance dress code is not adhered to.

Option A

 All black jacket, slacks, button down, long black tie, dress shoes (closed toe), socks/hosiery

Option B

• All black jacket, slacks, blouse, dress shoes (closed toe), socks/hosiery

Option C

 All black slacks, blouse (covering shoulders), dress shoes (closed toe), socks/ hosiery

Option D

• All black tea length or longer gown (covering shoulders), dress shoes (closed toe), socks/hosiery

Option E

• All black tea length or longer skirt, blouse (covering shoulders), dress shoes (closed toe), socks/hosiery

COVID-19 Information for Classrooms and Laboratories

Students are expected to wear face masks covering their nose and mouth in public settings (including classrooms and laboratories). The UT Tyler community of Patriots views adoption of these practices consistent with its <u>Honor Code</u> and a sign of good citizenship and respectful care of fellow classmates, faculty, and staff.

Students who are feeling ill or experiencing symptoms such as sneezing, coughing, digestive issues (e.g. nausea, diarrhea), or a higher than normal temperature should stay at home and are encouraged to use the <u>UT Tyler COVID-19 Information and</u> <u>Procedures</u> website to review protocols, check symptoms, and report possible exposure. Students needing additional accommodations may contact the Office of Student Accessibility and Resources at University Center 3150, or call (903) 566-7079 or email <u>saroffice@uttyler.edu</u>.

UT Tyler Honor Code

Every member of the UT Tyler community joins together to embrace: Honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

Students Rights and Responsibilities

To know and understand the policies that affect your rights and responsibilities as a student at UT Tyler, please follow this link: <u>http://www.uttyler.edu/wellness/rightsresponsibilities.php</u>

Campus Carry

We respect the right and privacy of students 21 and over who are duly licensed to carry concealed weapons in this class. License holders are expected to behave responsibly and keep a handgun secure and concealed. More information is available at <u>http://www.uttyler.edu/about/campus-carry/index.php</u>

UT Tyler a Tobacco-Free University

All forms of tobacco will not be permitted on the UT Tyler main campus, branch campuses, and any property owned by UT Tyler. This applies to all members of the University community, including students, faculty, staff, University affiliates, contractors, and visitors.

Forms of tobacco not permitted include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), bidis, kreteks, electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, and all other tobacco products.

There are several cessation programs available to students looking to quit smoking, including counseling, quitlines, and group support. For more information on cessation programs please visit <u>www.uttyler.edu/tobacco-free</u>.

Grade Replacement/Forgiveness and Census Date Policies

Students repeating a course for grade forgiveness (grade replacement) must file a Grade Replacement Contract with the Enrollment Services Center (ADM 230) on or before the Census Date of the semester in which the course will be repeated. Grade Replacement Contracts are available in the Enrollment Services Center or at <u>http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar</u>. Each semester's Census Date can be found on the Contract itself, on the Academic Calendar, or in the information pamphlets published each semester by the Office of the Registrar.

Failure to file a Grade Replacement Contract will result in both the original and repeated grade being used to calculate your overall grade point average. Undergraduates are eligible to exercise grade replacement for only three course repeats during their career at UT Tyler; graduates are eligible for two grade replacements. Full policy details are printed on each Grade Replacement Contract.

The Census Date is the deadline for many forms and enrollment actions of which students need to be aware. These include:

• Submitting Grade Replacement Contracts, Transient Forms, requests to withhold directory information, approvals for taking courses as Audit, Pass/Fail or Credit/No Credit.

- Receiving 100% refunds for partial withdrawals. (There is no refund for these after the Census Date)
- Schedule adjustments (section changes, adding a new class, dropping without a "W" grade)
- Being reinstated or re-enrolled in classes after being dropped for non-payment
- Completing the process for tuition exemptions or waivers through Financial Aid

State-Mandated Course Drop Policy

Texas law prohibits a student who began college for the first time in Fall 2007 or thereafter from dropping more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. This includes courses dropped at another 2-year or 4-year Texas public college or university. For purposes of this rule, a dropped course is any course that is dropped after the census date (See Academic Calendar for the specific date).

Exceptions to the 6-drop rule may be found in the catalog. Petitions for exemptions must be submitted to the Enrollment Services Center and must be accompanied by documentation of the extenuating circumstance. Please contact the Enrollment Services Center if you have any questions.

Disability/Accessibility Services

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA) the University of Texas at Tyler offers accommodations to students with learning, physical and/or psychological disabilities. If you have a disability, including a non-visible diagnosis such as a learning disorder, chronic illness, TBI, PTSD, ADHD, or you have a history of modifications or accommodations in a previous educational environment, you are encouraged to visit <u>https://hood.accessiblelearning.com/UTTyler</u> and fill out the New Student application.

The Student Accessibility and Resources (SAR) office will contact you when your application has been submitted and an appointment with Cynthia Lowery, Assistant Director of Student Services/ADA Coordinator. For more information, including filling out an application for services, please visit the SAR webpage at http://www.uttyler.edu/ disabilityservices, the SAR office located in the University Center, # 3150 or call 903-566-7079.

Student Absence due to Religious Observance

Students who anticipate being absent from class due to a religious observance are requested to inform the instructor of such absences by the second class meeting of the semester.

Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities

If you intend to be absent for a university-sponsored event or activity, you (or the event sponsor) must notify the instructor at least two weeks prior to the date of the planned absence. At that time the instructor will set a date and time when make-up assignments will be completed.

Social Security and FERPA Statement

It is the policy of The University of Texas at Tyler to protect the confidential nature of social security numbers. The University has changed its computer programming so that all students have an identification number. The electronic transmission of grades (e.g., via e-mail) risks violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; grades will not be transmitted electronically.

Emergency Exits and Evacuation

Everyone is required to exit the building when a fire alarm goes off. Follow your instructor's directions regarding the appropriate exit. If you require assistance during an evacuation, inform your instructor in the first week of class. Do not re-enter the building unless given permission by University Police, Fire department, or Fire Prevention Services.

Student Standards of Academic Conduct

Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against any student who engages in scholastic dishonesty, including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts.

- 1. Cheating includes, but is not limited to:
 - a. copying from another student's test paper;
 - b. using, during a test, materials not authorized by the person giving the test;
 - c. failure to comply with instructions given by the person administering the test;
 - d. possession during a test of materials which are not authorized by the person giving the test, such as class notes or specifically designed "crib notes". The presence of textbooks constitutes a violation if they have been specifically prohibited by the person administering the test;
 - e. using, buying, stealing, transporting, or soliciting in whole or part the contents of an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program;
 - f. collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test or other assignment without authority;
 - g. discussing the contents of an examination with another student who will take the examination;
 - divulging the contents of an examination, for the purpose of preserving questions for use by another, when the instructors has designated that the examination is not to be removed from the examination room or not to be returned or to be kept by the student;
 - i. substituting for another person, or permitting another person to substitute for oneself to take a course, a test, or any course-related assignment;

- j. paying or offering money or other valuable thing to, or coercing another person to obtain an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program or information about an unadministered test, test key, home solution or computer program;
- k. falsifying research data, laboratory reports, and/or other academic work offered for credit;
- I. taking, keeping, misplacing, or damaging the property of The University of Texas at Tyler, or of another, if the student knows or reasonably should know that an unfair academic advantage would be gained by such conduct; and
- m. misrepresenting facts, including providing false grades or resumes, for the purpose of obtaining an academic or financial benefit or injuring another student academically or financially.
- 2. Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, the appropriation, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another's work and the submission of it as one's own academic work offered for credit.
- Collusion includes, but is not limited to, the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing academic assignments offered for credit or collaboration with another person to commit a violation of any section of the rules on scholastic dishonesty.
- 4. All written work that is submitted will be subject to review by plagiarism software.

UT Tyler Resources for Students

- UT Tyler Writing Center (903-565-5995), writingcenter@uttyler.edu
- UT Tyler Tutoring Center (903-565-5964), tutoring@uttyler.edu
- The Mathematics Learning Center, RBN 4021, this is the open access computer lab for math students, with tutors on duty to assist students who are enrolled in early-career courses.
- UT Tyler Counseling Center (903-566-7254)