University of Texas at Tyler – Scale Barrier
Applied Music Syllabus- Fall 2026

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Course Overview

The purpose of this 0-credit course is to prepare for the upper-division barrier exam. This course will not result in any extra lesson time but will take place during the students scheduled lesson time. The barrier exam will be graded as pass/fail.

Student Learning Outcomes

Proficiency in all major, harmonic minor and melodic minor scales. These scales must be performed by a memory at a tempo that displays a clear understanding of the material.

Preparation Advice

Work scales into your daily practice. I will work with you to create a plan, but it is up to you to stay disciplined.

AI Statement

UT Tyler is committed to exploring and using artificial intelligence (AI) tools as appropriate for the discipline and task undertaken. We encourage discussing AI tools' ethical, societal, philosophical, and disciplinary implications. All uses of AI should be acknowledged as this aligns with our commitment to honor and integrity, as noted in UT Tyler's Honor Code. Faculty and students must not use protected information, data, or copyrighted materials when using any AI tool. Additionally, users should be aware that AI tools rely on predictive models to generate content that may appear correct but is sometimes shown to be incomplete, inaccurate, taken without attribution from other sources, and/or biased. Consequently, an AI tool should not be considered a substitute for traditional approaches to research. You are ultimately responsible for the quality and content of the information you submit. Misusing AI tools that violate the guidelines specified for this course (see below) is considered a breach of academic integrity. The student will be subject to disciplinary actions as outlined in UT Tyler's Academic Integrity Policy.

During some class assignments, we may leverage AI tools to support your learning, allow you to explore how AI tools can be used, and/or better understand their benefits and limitations. Learning how to use AI is an emerging skill, and we will work through the limitations of these evolving systems together. However, AI will be limited to assignments where AI is a critical component of the learning activity. I will always indicate when and where the use of AI tools for this course is appropriate.

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