Drumline
Fall 2026
Course Syllabus

Course Information

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Course Description

Drumline is a time-intensive ambassador ensemble for the university. The group performs cadences at approximately 20 events throughout a semester both on and off campus.

Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, students will:

1. Demonstrate ensemble skills such as non-verbal communication, aural adjustment, and effective rehearsal techniques.
2. Demonstrate proper technique on a variety of percussion instruments in practical performance situations.

Preparation and Practice

Students will be expected to come to rehearsals prepared with designated of sections of music. A student who demonstrates a lack of preparation may be asked to leave.

Attendance

Attendance is required at all rehearsals unless prior approval or extenuating circumstances occur. After two unexcused absences, each following absence will result in a grade deduction of 5%. Unexcused absence from a performance will result in a grade deduction.

Grading

Memorization: 25%
Attendance: 75%

AI Technology

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Tentative Schedule:

Aug. 27th Traditions Rally 5pm-6pm

Sep 25th Leadership Live 10am-12pm

Sep 28th ETX Fair 4pm-8pm

Sep 30th VBall 6pm

Oct. 2nd VBall 6pm

Oct. 3rd VBall 2pm

Oct 7th Top 25% 8am-9:30am

Oct. 16th VBall 6pm

Oct 17th Rose Parade 7am-11am

Oct. 20th VBall 6pm

Oct. 24th Trunk or Treat 3pm

Oct. 30th VBall 6pm

Oct. 31st VBall 2pm