

Muap 1111 - Harmony & Keyboard I

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9:00-9:50 TTh

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Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

Course content is based on developing and improving functional piano skills necessary for a successful career in any field of music. Areas of study will include technical skills, reading skills, and music theory applications. Fluency in each area will be necessary to pass the piano proficiency exam as the final exam of Harmony & Keyboard IV. At the conclusion of this course, students will be able to do the following. (Levels are based on *The Pianist's Guide to Standard Teaching and Performance Literature* (Magrath).

Demonstrate fundamental technical skills appropriate for one semester of study

Learn and perform standard repertoire at a minimum Level 1

Sightread at a music fundamentals level

Realize lead sheets and harmonic progressions appropriate for the first semester of music theory

Grades and Attendance

The number one predictor of success in this course is class attendance and meeting grading deadlines. Playing the piano is not a spectator sport. Fundamentally, the responsibility to learn is yours and yours alone. The short weekly assignments, however, are designed to make that process as easy and efficient as possible. Set aside the necessary time in your schedule for daily practice, come to class for helpful instruction, and stay current in meeting assignment deadlines. You may work ahead as long as all assignments for the current date are completed. Any assignments completed late will receive a maximum grade of 75 and any assignments not completed will receive a grade of zero. At the end of the semester, the two lowest grades from the Assignments category and the lowest SASR score will automatically be dropped. No grades will be dropped from Tests 1 and 2. Your final will be an in-class comprehensive skills test. In case of illness, the instructor must receive an email prior to the start of class and/or you must present a doctor's notice in order to avoid the late penalty for missed assignments. Most importantly, keep the lines of communication open and let your instructors know if there are any difficult or extenuating circumstances going on in your life. Your success is our passion and we can be very understanding when you are facing difficult challenges.

Material and Equipment Requirements

1. You may bring a laptop or an iPad with you to class or use a computer in the piano lab. If you bring an iPad you will also need to bring a [camera adapter](#) so as to plug into the USB for MIDI connectivity. The iPad does not yet have all the features so you are better off using the computers or a laptop.
2. You will need to create Premium Piano Marvel account. This can be done in class under the instructor's direction. You can purchase the Premium Account from the campus bookstore. It will come with instructions on how to activate.

Assessment and Grades	Instructions
<p>Your grade will be split into 3 categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 34% Assignments (piano marvel & class) 33% Tests & SASR Average 33% Final Exam 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Go to www.pianomarvel.com and Create a Free Account <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Teacher Code: vconway@uttyler.edu b. Promo Code: STUDENT 2. From www.pianomarvel.com Click LAUNCH APP NOW and login 3. Go to Profile and Enter Your Class Section <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Teacher Code: vconway@uttyler.edu b. Class Section: You will find a list of class times at the bottom.

Assignments (34%)

All assignments will be graded in class or through the Piano Marvel application and entered into the Canvas grade book. You will be expected to complete all the exercises within the assigned Method and Techniques sections in order to receive credit for the section.

Tests and SASR Average (33%)

There will be an in-class test at midterm and an in-class test at the end of the semester. This may include solo or duet performances from the Piano Marvel Library for the class. You will be expected to complete a minimum of 1 SASR (Standard of Sight Reading) exam each week.

Final Exam (33%)

The Final exam is a comprehensive in-class skills test on Thursday, December 13 from 9:30 – 11:30.

Calendar (Subject to change)

The table below is an *estimated* calendar for the course. Actual due dates will be listed on your Canvas calendar for all assignments so check it often. You are allowed to move ahead in Piano Marvel at your own pace. Since this is the first semester using the Piano Marvel curriculum, the schedule may need adjusting as the class progresses. Any changes or updates will be discussed in class and posted in Canvas.

Assignments	9/2	9/9	9/16	9/23	9/30	10/7	10/14	10/21	10/28	11/4	11/11	11/18	11/25	12/2	12/13	
Method	1A	1B	1C		1D	1E		2A	2B		2C	2D		2E		Final Exam 9:30-11:30
Technique	1A	1B	1C	Solo	1D	1E	Test 1	2A	2B	Solo	2C	2D	Holiday Week	2E	Test 2	
Sight Read	SASR	SASR	SASR	SASR	SASR	SASR		SASR	SASR	SASR	SASR	SASR		SASR		SASR

PRACTICE REQUIREMENTS vary greatly among individuals, but a *minimum of 30 minutes per day is suggested*.

OFFICE HOURS will be posted after all applied lessons have been scheduled. Students are encouraged to come for individual help during office hours or by appointment. Please let the instructor know immediately if you are struggling in the course for any reason.

WITHDRAWAL DATES

Deadline to withdraw without penalty (12th class day): September 10

Deadline to withdraw with an automatic W: November 5

IMPORTANT UNIVERSITY POLICIES

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:

<http://www.uttyler.edu/wellness/rightsresponsibilities.php>

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 <http://www.uttyler.edu/about/campus-carry/index.php>

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 www.uttyler.edu/tobacco-free.

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. (For Fall, the Census Date is Sept. 12.) Grade Replacement Contracts are available in the Enrollment Services Center or at <http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar>. 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 (Sept. 12th) 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.

Student Accessibility and Resources

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA) the University offers accommodations to students with learning, physical and/or psychiatric disabilities. If you have a disability, including non-visible disabilities such as chronic diseases, learning disabilities, head injury, PTSD or ADHD, or you have a history of modifications or accommodations in a previous educational environment you are encouraged to contact the Student Accessibility and Resources (SAR) office and schedule an interview with the Accessibility Case Manager/ADA Coordinator, Cynthia Lowery Staples. If you are unsure if the above criteria applies to you, but have questions or concerns please contact the SAR office. For more information or to set up an appointment please visit the SAR office located in the University Center, Room 3150 or call 903.566.7079. You may also send an email to cstaples@uttyler.edu

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.

i. "Cheating" includes, but is not limited to:

- copying from another student's test paper;
- using, during a test, materials not authorized by the person giving the test;
- failure to comply with instructions given by the person administering the test;
- 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;
- using, buying, stealing, transporting, or soliciting in whole or part the contents of an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program;
- collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test or other assignment without authority;
- 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;
- substituting for another person, or permitting another person to substitute for oneself to take a course, a test, or any course-related assignment;
- 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;
- falsifying research data, laboratory reports, and/or other academic work offered for credit;
- 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
- 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.

ii. "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.

iii. "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.

iv. All written work that is submitted will be subject to review by SafeAssign™, available on Blackboard.

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)