

The University of Texas at Tyler

MUSI 3228.01: Instrumental Seminar for Vocal Majors, Fall 2018

1:25-2:20 CFA 2006

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Required Text

Text is available for free by the instructor (you're welcome!).

Course Outcomes

By completing MUSI 3228 the vocal music education student should:

*have a general overview of the technical capabilities of brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments;

*have a general overview of the tonal characteristics of brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments;

*be able to rehearse church choirs and school choral groups with instruments, with good blend, balance, and rehearsal planning;

*be able to write short arrangements, in which instruments are added to already-existing choral scores

Attendance

Some students will have already obtained significant instrumental experience prior to this class. For that reason, there will be no attendance requirement. However, there will be no makeup exams or projects when due, with the one exception being hospitalization of the student. Attendance will be taken every class, however, in keeping with university requirements on documentation. Please note: the door will be locked at the beginning of class; students who are late must go to the CMA office and have a staff member or student worker escort them to class.

Grading

Grades will be determined by two tests (multiple choice) and three in-class presentations. The two exams are not cumulative; the first covers material from the first half of the semester, and the second exam covers material from the second half of the semester. The three projects deal with adding instruments to a choral score; grades are based on: having copies available for all students and instructor, prose summary of arrangement, and instructor evaluation of strengths and weaknesses of orchestration.

Each exam counts 35% of the semester grade, and the three projects are 30% of the semester grade.

Grading scale: 90-100=A; 80-89=B; 70-79=C; 60-69=D; <60=F; i.e. 89.5 final average is treated as an "A"

Grades are available on Blackboard.

Student Conduct and Dress

UT Tyler students are expected to act and dress like pre-professionals. There is always room in a college classroom for polite disagreement. However, profanity, ethnic/sexual/gender slurs, threatening actions, and/or insults towards students or instructor are not tolerated; a student exhibiting such behavior will be forced to drop the course, with referral for disciplinary action. Disagreements with grades or class policies are handled by conference during office hours. Note: Cell phones and/or any handheld devices are not allowed in class. Students who make/receive calls/text in class or surf the Internet will be asked to leave. The following are not permitted in class: caps or hats, hoods (sweaters or jackets must be worn with the hood down), pajamas, sagging pants, tights worn as pants, or any clothing that the instructor deems to be immodest and/or not fitting for the academic environment. All backpacks, briefcases, bags, etc. must be left at the periphery of the room during class.

Planned semester outline

August 27	Instrumental notation	October 17	Trumpet overview
August 29	Flute/piccolo overview	October 22	Trumpet tonal expectations
September 3	Flute/piccolo tonal expectations	October 24	Horn overview
September 5	Oboe/English Horn overview	October 29	Horn tonal expectations
September 10	Oboe/English Horn tonal expectations	October 31	Trombone/Euphonium overview
September 12	Clarinet family overview	November 5	Trombone/Euphonium tonal expectations
September 17	Clarinet family tonal expectations	November 7	Tuba overview and tonal expectations
September 19	Bassoon overview	November 12	Tuba overview and tonal expectations
September 24	Bassoon tonal expectations	November 14	brass with chorus
September 26	Saxophone family overview	November 26	brass with chorus
October 1	Saxophone family tonal expectations	November 28	Brass project due
October 3	woodwind with chorus	December 3	Percussion I-membrane percussion
October 8	woodwind with chorus	December 8	percussion II- keyboard instruments/auxiliary
October 10	Woodwind project due		
October 15	Exam #1	December 10,	Exam #2 date and time TBA; percussion project due

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 commonly-observed 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.

"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)