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Texts - Materials provided in class

## Grade distribution and Criteria

Assignments $\quad 25 \%$

Assessments (4) 40\%
Attendance / Participation 35\%
Assignments

- Most of the assignments are performance-based (vocal, rhythmic, played) and will graded on the following point scale (. 5 rounds up to the next number):

| Prepared / Confident | Prepared | Often unprepared | Unprepared |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| A: 93-100 | B+: 87-89 | C+: 77-79 | D+: 67-69 |
| A-: 0-92 | B: 83-86 | C: 73-76 | D: 63-66 |
|  | B-: 80-82 | C-:70-72 | D-: 60-63 |
|  |  | F: 0-59 |  |
| Confidently done | Few errors | Stops once | Multiple stops |
| Displays prep | Minor tempo | Hesitates and/or too slow | Multiple errors |
| No errors | fluctuations | Multiple errors | Incorrect and or |
|  | Comfortably done | Needs more prep | inconsistent tempo |
|  | Displays prep |  | Displays insufficient |
|  |  |  | prep |
|  |  |  | Unable to do |

## Assessments

- These will consist of assessments of your cumulative work on 1-4 part dictations, "authentic" vocal sight-reading, rhythmic dictations and performances, and aural recognition. Each assessment is based on 100 points each.
- There is no final assessment during final exams.


## Attendance / Participation

- Please arrive just before the start of the class. If there is a random issue preventing you from on time arrival, please send me a text. That way I will know you are OK. If there is persistent reason to be late, please speak directly with me to work out a solution.
- Your participation and course contributions will assist in everyone's learning. Each unexcused absence or two late arrivals will result in subtracting 5 points from your final grade (not just from the $35 \%$ Class Attendance/Participation).
- A note from the Health Center or a physician is required for an illness excuse. The note is due one week after the absence. After that date it turns into an unexcused absence.
- If you are absent, you are responsible for obtaining assignments from a classmate and preparing those assignments for the next class. Since musicianship skills are built over time, absent students may be at a disadvantage in this course.
- You and your classmates will decide on a pre-arranged, collective "freedom" day this term. The freedom day carries no attendance penalty. You must all take the same day. You must give me 1 week's notice, so I can adjust the lesson plans.


## Academic Honesty

Students must adhere to college-wide policies on academic honesty as described in the Student Handbook.

## Musicianship Goals by Semester

|  | SOLFEGE | AURAL <br> IDENTIFICATION | RHYTHM | DICTATION | Piano Skills | Conducting | Music <br> Theory |
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| $$ | - Solfège simple major and minor melodies in movable-do | - Sing and identify all intervals up to an octave - Identify the quality of triads by sound and sight | - Write and perform rhythms, including divisions of a single beat involving simple and compound meter | - Accurately take single line melodic dictation | - Play I, IV, and <br> V chords on piano in C, F, and G major, both hands | - Conduct patterns in 2, 3, 4 , and 5 (2 ways) | - Read / write in treble \& bass clefs <br> - Spell triads in all inversions <br> - Write/ID major and minor scales, modes \& key sigs, parallel \& relative relationships. <br> - Seventh chords and inversions |
| $\stackrel{N}{ \pm}$ | - Sight-sing diatonic melodies using moveable 'do.' <br> - Read and write in alto and tenor clef, in addition to bass and treble clef. | - Write and aurally identify all triads, including inversions. <br> - Simple melodic and harmonic intervals. <br> - Simple harmonic progressions (I-IV-V) and <br> - To sing and identify all simple intervals. | - Perform rhythms, including compound meters, ties and syncopation. | - Aurally notate diatonic melodies and rhythms. <br> - Two part melodic dictations. | - Play I, IV, and V chords on piano in $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{F}$, and G major, both hands <br> - Score read at least 2 parts at one time on the piano. <br> - Play (I-vi6-IV6/4-V6/5-I) in all major keys. | - Conduct standard patterns in $2,3,4,5$, and 6 while sightsinging. |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{N} \\ & \underset{\sim}{\dot{N}} \end{aligned}$ | - Sight-sing diatonic melodies using moveable and fixed 'do.' <br> - Read \& write in alto \& tenor clef, in addition to bass and treble clef. | - Sing and identify all simple intervals. <br> - Sing and identify all $7^{\text {th }}$ chords. | - Perform complex rhythms, mixed meters, cross-rhythms, syncopation and division of the beat into 5 and 6 . | - Aurally notate diatonic melodies with chromatic alterations and rhythms. <br> - Three part melodic dictations. | - Score read at least 3 parts at one time on the piano. | - Conduct standard patterns in $2,3,4,5$, and 6 while sightsinging. |  |
| $\frac{\sim}{\underset{\sim}{~}}$ | - Sightsing/solfege melodic examples while conducting. <br> - Sight-read in all C clefs. | - Sing and recognize simple and compound intervals, both melodic/harmonic - Identify triads (root position and inversions), V7 chords (root position and inversions), as well as all other 7 th chords (in root position). | - Dictate and perform simple and complex rhythms, polyrhythmswhile conducting. | - 2-4 part melodic dictations, simple conjunct progressing to melodies using chordal formations, chromaticism. <br> - Four-part harmonic dictation, using secondary dominant and modulations | - Play basic chord progressions on piano. |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & * \\ & * \\ & \stackrel{n}{*} \\ & \underset{~}{*} \\ & * \\ & * \end{aligned}$ | - Sing atonal melodies using fixed do | - Write and identify triads and sevenths chords, including inversions <br> - Aurally identify harmonic progressions incorporating diatonic seventh chords and secondary functioning chords. <br> - Identify aurally \& construct 9th chords | - Performing \& hearing complex rhythms, including mixed meters, syncopations, crossrhythms, divisions of the beat into $5,6, \& 7$ <br> - Perform two part rhythmic exercises. | - Take dictation on atonal melodies - 4-part Bach chorale dictation | - Improvise harmonies under a simple melody at sight (sightsing \& play piano) <br> - Accompany melodies on the piano with basic modulating chord progressions <br> - Sing $1 \&$ play 3 score-read parts | - Conduct in complex patterns, including 7, 8, 9 , \& 10 |  |

"Core areas of concentration" are those in the first 4 columns to the left (with headings in black caps in gray field).
"Crossover areas of concentration" are in the final three columns to the right (gray type in white background). These are goals that overlap with other classes.

## Disability Statement

"Students who wish to request accommodations in this class for a disability should contact Elaine Mara, assistant director of learning services for academic and disability support at 1307 Main Street, or by calling 610-861-1510. Accommodations cannot be provided until authorization is received from the Academic Support Center."

|  | Week | Tuesday | Thursday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 08 / 28 \\ & 08 / 30 \end{aligned}$ | Course explanation Vocal ranges Review | Cage - Forever and Sunsmell (1942) and Amores (1943) (mvts I and IV) |
| 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 09 / 04 \\ & 09 / 06 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | Crumb - Madrigals, Bk I (1965) |
| 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 09 / 11 \\ & 09 / 13 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| 4 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 09 / 18 \\ & 09 / 20 \end{aligned}$ | Assessment \#1 | Zappa - The Black Page (ca. 1976) |
| 5 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 09 / 25 \\ & 09 / 27 \end{aligned}$ |  | Stockhausen |
| 6 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 10 / 02 \\ & 10 / 04 \end{aligned}$ |  | Assessment \#2 |
| 7 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 10 / 09 \\ & 10 / 11 \end{aligned}$ | No Class - Fall Break | Rzewski - Les moutons du Panurge (1969) |
| 8 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 10 / 16 \\ & 10 / 18 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | No Class: NYC trip |  |
| 9 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 10 / 23 \\ & 10 / 25 \end{aligned}$ |  | Boulez - Le Marteau sans maître (III. "L'artisanat furieux" - the furious craftsmanship) (1954/55/57) |
| 10 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 10 / 30 \\ & 11 / 01 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| 11 | $\begin{aligned} & 11 / 06 \\ & 11 / 08 \end{aligned}$ | Assessment \#3 | Reich - Piano Phase (1967) |
| 12 | $\begin{aligned} & 11 / 13 \\ & 11 / 15 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| 13 | $\begin{aligned} & 11 / 20 \\ & 11 / 22 \end{aligned}$ | Class meets | No Class - Thanksgiving Break |
| 14 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 11 / 27 \\ & 11 / 29 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | Assessment \#4 |
| 15 | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 12 / 04 \\ & 12 / 06 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | Last class |

Please do not use electronic devises in this class unless asked to do so. My cell phone will be on until class begins for class related texts and messages.

## John Cage (1912-1992)

1. Living Room Music 1940 To Begin --
two hand coordination
polyrhythms beginning on the beat 4 vs $4 ; 5$ vs 4
Story (Gertrude Stein)
Text effects as a result of common rhythms, dynamics, and expression How to teach polyrhythms

2. Forever and Sunsmell 1942

Text and solfege
two two time
polyrhythms beginning off the beat 3 vs 2
Text (e.e. cummings)
Text effects as a result of uncommon rhythms, dynamics, and expression

## 3. Amores 1943

Piano solo - final movement - two hand coordination - polyrhythms within polyrhythms
polyrhythms 5 vs $2 ; 7$ vs 2

George Crumb (b. 1929) - Madrigals 1965, Book I
I. Verte desnuda es recorder la tierra (To see you naked is to remember the earth)

Solfege voice part to measures 1-5
Octave displacement for voice part
Mixed meter - 7/16; 5/16
Polyrhythm 5 vs 3 with $16^{\text {th }}$ rest and 2 grace notes
Multiple grace notes before and after notes


## Frank Zappa (1940-1993)

The Black Page 1976 (melodic and percussion parts)
Common complex rhythms with 32 nds - including quintuplets, sextuplets, and septuplets within a beat
Polyrhythms and within polyrhythms -5 vs $2 ; 3$ vs 2 ; quintuplets, sextuplets within 3 vs 2
Switching subdivisions between beats
Solfege of melodic line


Frederic Rzewski (b. 1938)
Les Moutons de Panurge 1969 (The sheep of Panurge)
Minimalism
Solfege from beginning to end - rhythm in non-metered context


Arnold Schoenberg (1874-1951)
Friede auf Erden 1911, Op. 13
Atonality - solfege each choral line (satb) to \#1

Anton Webern (1883-1945)
Entflieht auf leichten Kähnen, Op. 21908 (Stefan George poem)
Atonality - solfege each choral line (satb) m. 1-9
Double canon - but lines switched after first bars in tenor and bass lines


Igor Stravinsky (1882-1971)
The Rite of Spring 1913 - ending rhythms
Conbinational writing - some similar/repeated measures
Mixed meters - two hand independence
Changes in length of beat (quarter, eigth, $16^{\text {th }}$ )


Hugo Wolf (1860-1903)
Lieder - abstract interval recognition \#14, 35, 36 - solfege, dictation, preparation


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Review of Maj7; Dom7; m/M7; min7; min7b5 (half dim); dim7; +7 (aug7)
Jingle Bell Rock harmonization
It Don't Mean A Thing


[^0]:    Pierre Boulez (b. 1925)
    Le Marteau sans maître
    I. Avant "L'artisanat furieux"

    Rhythm over bar lines; teaching polyrhythms
    "L'Artisanat furieux", third movement of Le Marteau sans maître, by Pierre Boulez. Bar 3 is in $4 / 3 / 2$ time; Bars 24,35 , and 43 are in $2 / 3 / 4$ time.

