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Texts – Materials provided in class

Description

This is the fifth level of musicianship generally taken in the junior or senior year. Students will study actual repertoire that might be encountered by professional performers. The student work in this course is in full compliance with the federal definition of a two credit hour course.

Grade distribution and Criteria

Assignments 24% Assessments (4) 36% Attendance / Participation 40%

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):

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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 to let me know you are OK. If there is consistent 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 40% 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.

Disability Statement

Students who wish to request accommodations in this class for a disability must contact Ms. Elaine Mara, assistant director of academic support services for academic and disability support, at the lower level of Monocacy Hall, or by calling 610-861-1401. Accommodations cannot be provided until authorization is received from the Academic Support Center.

	Week	Tuesday	Thursday
1	09/1	Course explanation	Cage – Forever and Sunsmell (1942) and Amores
1	09/3	Vocal ranges and Review	(1943) (mvts I and IV)
_	09/8		(1943) (mivts 1 and 1 v)
2	09/10	Crumb – <i>Madrigals, Bk I</i> (1965)	
_	09/15		Assessment #1
3	09/17		Assessment #1
4	09/22	Zappa – <i>The Black Page</i> (ca. 1976)	College Convocation (no class due to band move)
4	09/24	Zuppu The Bluck Tuge (cu. 1570)	Contege Convocation (no class and to sain move)
5	09/29		Stockhausen
	10/01		
6	10/06	Rzewski – <i>Les moutons du Panurge</i> (1969)	Rzewski part deux
	10/08		-
8	10/13	No Class – Fall Break	Boulez – <i>Le Marteau sans maître</i> (III. "L'artisanat
	10/15		furieux" – the furious craftsmanship)
			(1954/55/57)
9	10/20	Schoenberg and Webern	(=>= ,,==,=+)
9	10/22	benoemberg and webern	
10	10/27	Wolf	Assessment #2
10	10/29	., 4-2	
11	11/03	Reich – Clapping Music (1972) and Piano	
	11/05	<i>Phase</i> (1967)	
12	11/10	Graphic notation	
12	11/12	Grapine notation	
13	11/17		Assessment #3
13	11/19		
	11/24		No Class – Thanksgiving Break
	11/26		5 5
14	12/01	Riley – <i>In C</i> (1964)	
	12/03		
14	12/08	Assessment #4	Last class – Jingle Bell Rock
	12/10		

Notes:

The outline, goals, and activities presented in this syllabus are subject to the progress of learning. If changes are needed in grading and/or grading criteria, a complete explanation of new processes will be discussed and practiced to assist student success.

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 solfège

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)

Solfège voice part to measures 1-5

Octave displacement for voice part

Mixed meter -7/16; 5/16

Polyrhythm 5 vs 3 with 16th 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 32nds – 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

Solfège of melodic line



Terry Riley (b. 1935)

In C (1964)

Minimalism

Solfège from beginning to end – rhythm in non-metered context

Controlled Chance – suspension of time



Frederic Rzewski (b. 1938)

Les Moutons de Panurge 1969 (The sheep of Panurge)

Minimalism

Solfège from beginning to end – rhythm in non-metered context

Suspension of awareness



Arnold Schoenberg (1874-1951)

Friede auf Erden 1911, Op. 13

Atonality - solfège each choral line (satb) to #1



Anton Webern (1883-1945)

Entflieht auf leichten Kähnen, Op. 2 1908 (Stefan George poem)

Atonality – solfège 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, eighth, 16th)



Hugo Wolf (1860-1903)

Lieder – abstract interval recognition

#14, 35, 36 – solfège, dictation, preparation



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 $\frac{4}{3}$ 2 time; Bars 24, 35, and 43 are in $\frac{2}{3}$ 4 time.



Ian Anderson (b. 1947)

"Thick as a Brick" (1972), in Jethro Tull – partially in 13/4



Native American Music - Ojibwe



Karlheinz Stockhausen 1928-2007

Ellen Taaffe Zwilich (B. 1939)



Steve Reich (b. 1936) Clapping Music (1972) Piano Phase (1967)



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