

# MUSI 1306

## Music Appreciation

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### COURSE DESCRIPTION

Selected composers and compositions will be studied through an interpretation of their historical, functional, and cultural significance. This course satisfies the core curriculum requirement for Visual or Performing Arts.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Identify musical works and elements in a variety of styles.
2. Analyze the elements and structure of music using appropriate terminology.
3. Critically evaluate the influence of social, political, technological, and/or cultural ideas on music.
4. Articulate the significance of music as an art form within historical, cultural and social contexts.

### REQUIRED MATERIALS

Textbook: **The Enjoyment of Music**, Essential Listening Edition, 4th ed. By Forney/Dell'Antonio/Machlis; note taking materials, access to Blackboard and Zoom

### GRADING POLICY

The final grade average will be based on exam grades (50%), class participation and quizzes/assignments (30%), and a concert review project (20%).

### EXAMS

There will be five exams covering six historical periods.

1. Medieval: 400-1400/Renaissance: 1400-1600 (& Fundamental terms)
2. Baroque: 1600-1750
3. Classical: 1750-1825
4. Romantic: 1825-1900
5. Modern: 1900-Present

Each exam is worth 10% of the final grade average. Exam materials will be drawn from class lectures, text readings, and listening example discussions. Exam dates will be announced. Exams will be taken on Blackboard (online) and **must** be completed during the announced exam dates. Failure to complete the exams during the announced exam dates will result in a grade of zero for each. It is the student's responsibility to access a reliable computer and internet connection. "Computer problems" will not be an acceptable excuse for failing to submit an exam prior to the deadline.

### Grading Scale

90-100%=A    80-89%=B    70-79%=C    60-69%=D    0-59%=F

### CLASS ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION

We are in an extraordinary era right now as Covid 19 has disrupted the normal lives of every person in the world. This class will be a Flex option, which means that you will be attending in person for a portion of the meetings and logging in via ZOOM for the other meetings. The class enrollment will determine when you will be meeting face-to-face. If it is below 10 students, you may have an opportunity to meet in person more than if the class enrollment is above that number. All of the work for this class will be done on Blackboard. There will be no physical

papers handed in to your instructor. All class meetings will be streamed and recorded as well. If you miss class for any reason, you will need to make sure to watch the recordings as soon as possible. There will be assessments to be sure that you have watched them. As detailed in the college catalog, a student who has missed class or has not logged into blackboard for 3 calendar weeks, you will be emailed by the instructor to drop the course. If you do not drop the course or contact the instructor, you will be dropped administratively and will receive an X on your transcript. It is better to have a W (you yourself drop the class) than an X (Instructor drop).

### **CONCERT REVIEW PROJECT**

This project is worth 20% of the final average. The student will **fully** attend/stream/watch on video an approved Classical concert and then write a two page, typed, double-spaced, 12 point font paper. The content of the paper should be focused on evaluating and reacting to the experience and the music, not just a listing of compositions and performers. **The performance must be approved by the instructor.**

**Projects which do not follow the above requirements will not receive credit.**

### **Covid 19 Statement**

It is the policy of South Plains College for the Fall 2020 semester that as a condition of on-campus enrollment, all students are required to engage in safe behaviors to avoid the spread of COVID-19 in the SPC community. Such behaviors specifically include the requirement that all students properly wear CDC-compliant face coverings while in SPC buildings including in classrooms, labs, hallways, and restrooms. Failure to comply with this policy may result in dismissal from the current class session. If the student refuses to leave the classroom or lab after being dismissed, the student may be referred to the Dean of Students on the Levelland campus or the Dean/Director of external centers for Student Code of Conduct Violation.

### **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY**

**WARNING – Cheating or plagiarism will result in the student receiving a 0 on the assignment for the first offense, second offense you will be dropped from the class.**

**Campus Concealed Carry** - Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in South Plains College buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and South Plains College policy, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations, please refer to the SPC policy at: ([http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human\\_resources/policy\\_procedure/hhc.php](http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human_resources/policy_procedure/hhc.php)) Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all South Plains College campuses. Report violations to the College Police Department at 806-716-2396 or 9-1-1.

### **SPC Standard Disability Statement**

Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Disability Services Office early in the semester so that the appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Disability Services Office. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland (Student Health & Wellness Office) 806-716-2577, Reese Center (Building 8) & Lubbock Center 806-716-4675, or Plainview Center (Main Office) 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611.

### **Non-Discrimination Statement**

South Plains College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Vice President for Student Affairs, South Plains College -1401 College Avenue, Box 5, Levelland, TX 79336, 806-894-9611

### **Diversity Statement:**

In this class, the teacher will establish and support an environment that values and nurtures individual and group differences and encourages engagement and interaction. Understanding and respecting multiple experiences and perspectives will serve to challenge and stimulate all of us to learn about others, about the larger world and about ourselves. By promoting diversity and intellectual exchange, we will not only mirror society as it is, but also model society as it should and can be.