

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS MUED 403: Instrumental and Band Techniques II Winter 2024

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Learning resources:	Brass: Online resource, Brass Techniques and Pedagogy by Brian M. Weidner
required readings,	https://pressbooks.palni.org/brasstechniquesandpedagogy/front-matter/title-page/
textbooks and materials	Percussion: There is no required text for the percussion component of this course.
	However, a List of Required Readings will be provided. All of the material on this
	list will be available on reserve at the Taylor Family Digital Library.
Learning Technologies	There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other
and Requirements	relevant class resources and materials (see d2L.ucalgary.ca).
	In order to successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of
	Calgary, students taking online, remote and blended courses are required to have
	reliable access to the following technology:
	 A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest
	security, and malware updates;
	A current and updated web browser;
	Webcam (built-in or external);
	Microphone and speaker (built-in or external) or headset with
	microphone;
	 Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled;
	Broadband internet connection.
	Most current laptops will have a built-in webcam, speaker and microphone.
Prerequisites	MUED 401
Course description	Continuation of Music Education 401. Musical and practical aspects of band
Course description	conducting, including teaching skills, curriculum and appropriate teaching
	strategies.
Course learning	
outcomes	By the completion of this course, successful students will
outcomes	Proces
	Brass: 1 have a fundamental knowledge of the principals behind brass instruments and
	1. have a fundamental knowledge of the principals behind brass instruments and
	brass instrument playing,
	2. have an understanding of the four fundamental aspects of brass instrument
	technique and be able to use these to guide secondary students to become
	competent players of brass instruments,
	3. be able to demonstrate proper brass instrument technique on a low brass
	instrument and a high brass instrument,

- 4. have a foundation of knowledge for the particular technical aspects for each brass instrument (trumpet, horn, trombone, euphonium, and tuba),
- 5. be able to transpose music written for B flat trumpet and F horn.

Percussion:

- 1. be able to strategically select students for secondary school band percussion sections,
- 2. be able to train secondary school percussion students to be competent musicians,
- 3. be able to communicate about percussion technique, instruments and performance practice using appropriate nomenclature, and
- 4. be able to discuss repertoire and reference materials.

Course schedule

Brass:

Students will write four written tests and will be evaluated at two playing exams.

January 9 – Instrument distribution, first sounds.

January 11 – Brass pedagogy.

January 16 – Written test 1 – General brass pedagogy and acoustics

January 18 – Guest instrumental specialist (Trombone)

January 23 – Chapter 2, Trumpet pedagogy, chapter 3

January 25 – Written test 2 – Mouthpiece anatomy and the trumpet, Playing review.

January 30 – Playing test 1, instrument cleaning and instrument switch.

February 1 – Chapters 4 and 5.

February 6 – Guest instrumental specialist (Horn)

February 8 – Written test 3 – Trombone and Horn.

Guest Instrumental specialist (tuba)

February 13 – Chapters 6 and 7

February 15 – Written test 4 – Summary and tuba/euphonium, Playing test 2 by appointment.

Percussion:

Students will write one written exam, and be evaluated at a playing exam.

February 27 – Snare Drum

February 29 – Snare Drum

March 5 – Keyboards

March 7 - Keyboards

March 12 - Timpani

March 14 – Accessories

March 19 - Drum-set

March 21 – Written Exam – Latin and non-Western percussion

March 26- Review/practice/percussion ensemble

March 28 – Review/practice/percussion ensemble

April 2 – Review/practice/percussion ensemble

April 4 & 9 – Playing Exams

Assessment components

BRASS:

Value: 50% of total mark for the term

Assessment 1: Class Preparation, Participation and Attendance

Value: 10% of brass mark Type: Ongoing assessment

Description: A class by class assessment of preparation, participation and

attendance.

Assessment 2 - Written Tests:

Value: 12.5% of brass mark for each test

Description: Four written tests, on the material as follows;

Test 1 – Chapters 1 and 10 and lecture material Test 2 – Chapters 2 and 3 and lecture material Test 3 – Chapters 4 and 5 and lecture material

Test 4 – Summary, chapters 6 and 7 and lecture material

Assessment 3 - Playing tests:

Value: 20% of brass mark for each test

Description: One test on each of the two major instruments played (usually trumpet and trombone). Students will demonstrate a competency to create a healthy, characteristic sound on the instrument with clear articulation, accurate tuning and rhythm, and accurate pitching.

PERCUSSION:

Value: 50% of total mark for the term

Assessment 1: Class Preparation, Participation and Attendance

Value: 10% of percussion mark Type: Ongoing assessment

Description: A class by class assessment of preparation, participation and

attendance.

Assessment 2: Class by Class Practice Assignments

Value: 30% of percussion mark Type: Practice Assignments

Description: Students will be given practice tasks, including technical and reading

exercises, etudes and repertoire to be evaluated at the next class.

Written Exam

Value: 40% of percussion mark

Date: 21 March 2024 Length: 45 minutes

Details: Students will write one written exam testing knowledge of all material

presented during the percussion component of the course.

Playing Exam

Value: 20% of percussion mark

Date: 4 & 9 April, 2024

Length: maximum 10 minutes

	Details: Students will demonstrate playing skills acquired throughout the percussion component of the course by performing a list of assigned tasks in an individually scheduled testing session.
Assessment expectations	Guidelines for Submitting Assignments: Assignments will be submitted on the D2L shell in the assigned dropbox.
	Missed or Late Assignments: Assignments submitted after the assigned deadline will be deducted 5% per day up to maximum of 50% at which time they will no longer be accepted.
	Attendance and Participation Expectations: Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.3 Attendance for details. The content of this course cannot be learned from a textbook – the skills can only be acquired through diligent practice and class participation. Since class participation is a necessary component of the course, attendance will be taken and will factor, along with punctuality, into final grades. Absences are only accepted in cases of circumstances beyond the student's control. In cases of absences due to circumstances known to the student in advance, advance notice of the absence must be given to the instructor. Students who miss class are responsible for getting any assigned homework and preparing it for the following class.
	Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass To pass this course, students must achieve a minimum final weighted average of 50%.
	Expectations for Writing: Writing skills are important to academic study across all disciplines. Consequently, instructors may use their assessment of writing quality as a factor in the evaluation of student work. Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.2 Writing Across the Curriculum policy for details.
Grading scale	Undergraduate: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.html A grade of "C-" or below may not be sufficient for promotion or graduation, see specific faculty regulations. The number of "D" and "D+" grades acceptable for credit is subject to specific undergraduate faculty promotional policy.
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	Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by
	the faculty at the University of Calgary.
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