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SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS
MUSI 355 Sound Recording
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Office Hours	By appointment
Day(s), time(s) and location of Class	WF 16:00 - 17:15 Primary venue: CHF007 Other venues: CHF010, AB655, AB657
Learning resources: required readings, textbooks and materials	Readings will be assigned in class. A 4GB+ USB memory stick and a pair of good-quality enclosed headphones are required for this course.
Learning Technologies and Requirements	There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other relevant class resources and materials (see d2l.ucalgary.ca).
Prerequisites	None
Course description	An introduction to the practice and theory of sound recording
Course learning outcomes	By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to: 1. understand basic audio concepts and terminology 2. demonstrate practical skills and knowledge in the act of recording sound 3. gain working knowledge of audio technology including microphones, preamps, handheld recorders, and DAWs 4. gain various audio manipulation skills including editing and processing 5. create a technical plan for different recording situations 6. understand the signal path in a typical recording studio
Course schedule	A detailed course schedule will be posted on D2L.
Assessment components	<p><u>Assignment 1: Studio Recording Project 1</u> Assessment Method: Audio submission and written report Description: Recording at least ten different objects to create an audio narrative Weight: 15% Due Date: Feb 15, 2023</p> <p><u>Assignment 2: Studio Recording Project 2</u> Assessment Method: Audio submission and written report Description: Recording one or more instruments (or voices) employing at least three stereo recording techniques Weight: 20% Due Date: March 15, 2023</p> <p><u>Assignment 3: Live Recording Project 1</u> Assessment Method: Audio submission and written report Description: Stereo or multi-track recording of parts of a live concert and creating a rough mix for one of the pieces in the recording Weight: 20%</p>

	<p>Due Date: April 5, 2023</p> <p><u>Assignment 4: Live Recording Project 2</u> Assessment Method: Audio submission and written report Description: Stereo or multi-track recording of parts of a live concert and creating a rough mix for one of the pieces in the recording Weight: 20% Due Date: April 5, 2023</p> <p><u>Assignment 5: Final Project</u> Assessment Method: Audio submission and written report Description: Either a studio/field recording project, or a sound design project for visual media using recorded sounds Weight: 25% Due Date: April 12, 2023</p> <p>There is no final examination for this course.</p>												
Assessment expectations	<p><u>Guidelines for Submitting Assignments:</u> All written and audio assignments can be submitted to the instructor via D2L Dropbox or via e-mail (large audio files must be sent via a link).</p> <p><u>Missed or Late Assignments:</u> The grade for the assignments submitted within the week after the due date will be reduced by 25%. Assignments submitted more than one week late will not be accepted.</p> <p><u>Expectations for Writing:</u> 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.</p>												
Grading scale	<p>Undergraduate: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.html</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <p>Graduate: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-2.html</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All grades of "C+" or lower are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements. Individual programs may require a higher passing grade. <p>Grading Scale: The following percentage-to-letter grade scale will be used:</p> <table> <tr> <td>A+ 96-100</td> <td>A 91-95</td> <td>A- 86-90</td> </tr> <tr> <td>B+ 81-85</td> <td>B 76-80</td> <td>B- 71-75</td> </tr> <tr> <td>C+ 67-70</td> <td>C 62-66</td> <td>C- 58-61</td> </tr> <tr> <td>D+ 54-57</td> <td>D 50-53</td> <td>F 0-49</td> </tr> </table>	A+ 96-100	A 91-95	A- 86-90	B+ 81-85	B 76-80	B- 71-75	C+ 67-70	C 62-66	C- 58-61	D+ 54-57	D 50-53	F 0-49
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	<p>services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-Disabilities-Procedure.pdf).</p> <p>Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfill requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.</p> <p>SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/.</p>
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