# Faculty of Arts School of Creative and Performing Arts – Music

## MUSI 551 Networked Music Performance UPDATED Winter, 2020

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Schedule Class: MW 2:00-3:15 pm, AB 655 & AB 657, online via Zoom & D2L

Independent & collaborative studio time: 6 hours per week in the Telemedia and Sonic Arts Labs

Network music performance times tba

Updated: From March 16 through to the end of the semester the Telemedia and Sonic Arts Labs will be closed. Instead we will have online classes and video conferences using Zoom and other tools accessed through D2L. For networked music projects please install Jack, Jacktrip and UltraGrid on your home computer.

Exploring performance practice, improvisation and techniques in networked music. Creation and performance of networked music projects, with an emphasis on integrating acoustic instruments, computer instruments and interactive processing. Using the network, the class will compose and perform several projects, exploring themes of collaboration, interactivity, computer mediation, and acoustic communication. The aim is to develop engaging collaborative practices.

## The course comprises:

- weekly creative, performance and collaborative work and research
- survey of literature and repertoire
- regular class presentation of work-in-progress, memos & creative projects, discussion of course topics
- listening to repertoire, reading assigned articles and texts
- independent and collaborative work including rehearsals and performances in the Telemedia and Sonic Arts Labs.

## Topics to be studied:

- networked music performance, compositional approaches, improvisation and techniques
- understanding, listening to and working with network latency; creative strategies
- setting up the network and audio routing
- acoustic communication philosophy
- context and aesthetics of networked music performance
- precursors; interpretation and adaptation of existing works
- use of network music software: Jack (qjackctl), Jacktrip; UltraGrid and Artsmesh tbd
- use of touch surface devices such as smartphones, iPad, OSC programming and control
- performance with MIDI controllers and synthesizers including the ROLI Seaboard
- user-interface and instrument design in Max, Mira, TouchOSC
- performing and recording with Logic Pro; control with Logic Pro Remote & iPad
- possible use of other audio software such as SuperCollider and Ableton Live
- analysis of networked music works

## Grading:

: Weekly networked music performance, rehearsal and participation	10%
Research memo 1 – Mon Jan 20	5%
Networked music project 1 – Wed Jan 29	15%
Research memo 2 – Mon Feb 3	5%
Networked music project 2 – Wed Feb 12	15%
Research memo 3 – Mon March 9	5%
Networked music project 3 – Mon March 23 - recording or live connection	15%
Research presentation & short paper/webpage via Zoom & D2L - intro March 25, presentations March 27 & 29	10%
*Optional final networked music project – April 13 & 15	20%

Late submissions will lose 20% of the grade and will not be accepted after one week. After March 16, please submit assignments to the D2L dropbox.

Materials: good enclosed headphones, USB flash drive. There is no final exam.

### Grading scale:

A+ = 100-96	A = 95-91	A- = 90-86	B+ = 85-81	B = 80-76	B- = 75-71
C+ = 70-67	C = 66-62	C = 61-58	D+ = 57-54	D = 53-50	F = 49%

<sup>\*</sup>The final grade will be based on 80% or 100% completion of course.



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