



DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS

COURSE OUTLINE – WINTER 2020

MU1000 (A3): Rudiments of Music – 3 (3-0-0) 45 Hours for 15 Weeks

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CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: The fundamentals of music theory are approached through aural and written training.

PREREQUISITE(S)/COREQUISITE: No previous knowledge of music is required.

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

- **MOODLE:** You will need to access our Moodle page at <https://moodle.gprc.ab.ca/>
- *The Complete Elementary Music Rudiments* (2nd edition, 2010) by Mark Sarnecki (Frederick Harris Music).
- Pencil(s), eraser, manuscript paper. Please bring all of the above materials to every class. They may all be purchased through the bookstore on campus.

DELIVERY MODE(S): Lecture

COURSE OBJECTIVES: This Rudiments of Music course will enable students to understand the language of music and decipher the basic symbols of reading and musicianship.

LEARNING OUTCOMES: Through aural and printed exercises, it is expected that all students upon course completion will be able to:

- Notate and read music in treble, bass, and C clefs.
- Identify and write simple intervals.
- Identify and write the following types of scales: major, minor, pentatonic, whole tone, chromatic, blues, and modes of major.
- Identify and write rhythms in simple, compound and hybrid meters.
- Identify and write triads, dominant seventh, and diminished seventh chords.
- Perform basic transposition and score analysis.
- Identify cadences.

TRANSFERABILITY: Please consult the Alberta Transfer Guide for specific course transfer information. You may check to ensure the transferability of this course at the Alberta Transfer Guide main page <http://www.transferalberta.ca> or use the direct course search at <http://alis.alberta.ca/ps/tsp/ta/tbi/onlineSearch.html?SearchMode=S&step=2>

Students have the final responsibility for ensuring the transferability of courses taken to Alberta Colleges and Universities.

EVALUATIONS:

Assignments	25%
Attendance and Participation	05%
Quizzes	20%
Midterm Examination	20%
Final Examination	30%

GRADING CRITERIA:

Please note that most universities will not accept your course for transfer credit **IF** your grade is **less than C-**.

Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines		Alpha Grade	4-point Equivalent	Percentage Guidelines
A+	4.0	90-100		C+	2.3	67-69
A	4.0	85-89		C	2.0	63-66
A-	3.7	80-84		C-	1.7	60-62
B+	3.3	77-79		D+	1.3	55-59
B	3.0	73-76		D	1.0	50-54
B-	2.7	70-72		F	0.0	00-49

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE: The midterm exam will likely occur during the last week of February. The final exam will take place during the examination period at the end of the semester.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Attendance at all class sessions is highly recommended.
- More than 20% absenteeism may constitute a failure except for medical or extenuating circumstances in which case a doctor's letter may be required.
- Students will receive a warning ‘Notice Of Absenteeism’ at 15% absenteeism.
- After 20% absenteeism, you may be required to withdraw from the course.
- *Refer to Student Conduct, Attendance, on page 45 of the College Calendar.* You should become familiar with pages 36-47 of the GPRC 2019-2020 Calendar, along with College policies about academics and student responsibilities.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated and there will be penalties. For a more precise definition of plagiarism and its consequences, refer to the section on Plagiarism and Cheating in the College policy titled Student Misconduct: Academic and Non-Academic at (<https://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/fetch.php?ID=68>). Instructors reserve the right to use electronic plagiarism detection services on written assignments. **Instructors also reserve the right to ban the use of any form of electronics (cell phones, Blackberries, iPods, tablets, scanning pens, electronic dictionaries, etc.) during class and during exams.**

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available at <https://www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/>