

DEPARTMENT OF FINE ARTS

COURSE OUTLINE - MU1000 WINTER 2014

Music Theory I

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| HOURS: | Office Hours by Appoir | ntment | |

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

REQUIRED TEXT/RESOURCE MATERIALS:

Sarnecki, Mark. *The Complete Elementary Music Rudiments*, 2nd edition. Toronto: The Frederick Harris Music Co. Ltd., 2010. Pencil(s), eraser, manuscript paper.

Resource Material: Rawlins, Robert and Nor Eddine Bahha. *Jazzology: The Encyclopedia of Jazz Theory for All Musicians*. Milwaukee: Hal Leonard, 2005.

CALENDAR DESCRIPTION: The fundamentals of music theory are approached through aural and written training. Recommended as a Fine Arts option for Bachelor of Arts.

CREDIT/CONTACT HOURS: 3 (3-0-0) UT 45 Hours

DELIVERY MODE(S): Lecture

OBJECTIVES (OPTIONAL): Students will gain a practical knowledge of notation, rhythm, scales, intervals, time signatures, chords, cadences, determining key, transposition, score reading, melody writing, and music analysis. Please note: Course content and assignments will be used in this course that are not a part of your textbook.

TRANSFERABILITY: UA, UC*, UL*, AU, AF, CU, KUC

** Grade of D or D+ may not be acceptable for transfer to other post-secondary institutions. Students are cautioned that it is their responsibility to contact the receiving institutions to ensure transferability

GRADING CRITERIA: Grades will be assessed according to examination marks as well as attendance and participation in class.

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| GRADING CONVERSION CHART | | | | | |
| Alpha Grade | 4-point Equivalent | Percentage Guidelines | Designation | | |
| A+ | 4.0 | 90 - 100 | EXCELLENT | | |
| A | 4.0 | 85 - 89 | | | |
| A- | 3.7 | 80 - 84 | FIRST CLASS STANDING | | |
| B+ | 3.3 | 77 - 79 | | | |
| В | 3.0 | 73 - 76 | GOOD | | |
| B- | 2.7 | 70 - 72 | | | |
| C+ | 2.3 | 67 - 69 | SATISFACTORY | | |
| C | 2.0 | 63 - 66 | | | |
| C- | 1.7 | 60 - 62 | | | |
| D+ | 1.3 | 55 - 59 | MINIMAL PASS | | |
| D | 1.0 | 50 - 54 | MINIMAL FASS | | |
| F | 0.0 | 0 - 49 | FAIL | | |
| WF | 0.0 | 0 | FAIL, withdrawal after the deadline | | |

EVALUATIONS:

| Midterm Examination | 25% |
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| Term Work (Assignments, attendance, deportment, and class participation) | 15% |
| Section Work (4 quizzes) | 20% |

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES: Attending each class helps to keep up with the assignments and be able to understand the material. Please e-mail me or call me (539-2052) if you cannot make it to class. It is a Fine Arts Department guideline that students will lose 10% a calendar day for submitting projects after the due date. In this class, the issue of late assignments will be discussed on a case-by-case basis.

STATEMENT ON PLAGIARISM AND CHEATING:

Refer to the Student Conduct section of the College Admission Guide at http://www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/ or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/ or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at www.gprc.ab.ca/programs/calendar/ or the College Policy on Student Misconduct: Plagiarism and Cheating at www.gprc.ab.ca/about/administration/policies/**

**Note: all Academic and Administrative policies are available on the same page.

COURSE SCHEDULE/TENTATIVE TIMELINE:

| J8 J13, J15 J20, J22 | Week 1: Music Notation and Time Values Week 2: Semitones, Whole Tones, and Accidentals, Major Scales Week 3: Major Scales and Minor Scales |
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| J27, J29 | Week 4: Chromatic, Whole-Tone, Pentatonic, and Blues Scales |
| F3, F5 | Week 5: Modes, Identifying Scales |
| F10, F12 | Week 6: Intervals |
| F17-21 | No classes |
| F24, F26 | Week 7: Simple Time, Compound Time |
| M3, M5 | Week 8: Hybrid Meters, Chords |
| M10, M12 | Week 9: Chords continued; and Midterm Examination on Notation, |
| | Scales, and Intervals |
| M17, M19 | Week 10: Dominant 7 th and Diminished 7 th Chord, |
| M24, M26 | Week 11: Cadences, Find the Key |
| M31, A2 | Week 12: Transposition |
| A7, A9 | Week 12: Short and Open Score, Melody Writing |
| A14 | Week 13: Music Analysis |
| D10 | Review for final exam |
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Exam Week: Final Examination on Time, Meters, Chords, Cadences, Scores, Analysis, and Transposition

*This is a projected date for the midterm exam and is subject to change.