

# Syllabus for Music Appreciation, Fall 2018

Professor Hunt, Instructor

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**Please note:** This syllabus is subject to change. Any changes will be notified to students in class and online.

**Course Description:** A listener's guide to Western classical music styles through recordings, through live performances, and through other media. Meets Core are C Humanities and Fine Arts requirement.

## **Course Objectives:**

1. Identify the basic elements of music
2. Identify the instruments associated with Western classical music both visually and aurally
3. Identify and recognize selections of music aurally
4. Identify the different time periods of Western classical music and discuss the musical and cultural differences
5. Identify composers and compositions from each time period
6. Define the distinct genres of Western classical music
7. Discriminate among music and articulate criteria for judgment

## **Course Materials:**

-Clark, N. Alan; Heflin, Thomas; Kluball, Jeffrey; and Kramer, Elizabeth, "Understanding Music: Past and Present" (2015). *Fine Arts Open Textbooks*.

- This book is available FOR FREE from the following website, which is also linked on CourseDen:

<https://www.oercommons.org/courses/understanding-music-past-and-present/view>

-Regular Internet access (CourseDen, YouTube, other media)

## **Course Calendar and Listening List:**

You will find a Course Calendar and Listening List on CourseDen. Please use these throughout the semester. They will be your FRIEND. Missing an assignment because you failed to look at the calendar or mark important dates is NOT an excuse. Please ask any questions you have about the calendar and due dates.

### **Attendance Policy:**

Students are expected to attend class regularly both online and in-class. Regular attendance includes arriving on time, staying for the entirety of the class period, and participating in class activities (whether they be online or face-to-face).

**Seating Chart:** Due to the number of students in class, a seating chart will be used. Students may pick their seat, but the instructor reserves the right to change your seat for any reason, including poor behavior and to meet the needs of other students. The seating chart will be finalized on **TUESDAY, August 28**. If you miss class that day, the instructor will assign your seat. Please see the instructor for any specific seating needs.

**Attendance Grade:** Attendance will be taken throughout the semester. After THREE absences, your final grade will be lowered 3% for each subsequent absence. This only applies for days that are not mandatory (see below). There is a different policy for Mandatory Attendance Days (MAD).

**Arriving Late/Leaving Early:** You are expected to stay for the entirety of class in order to receive full attendance credit.

**Mandatory Attendance Days (MAD):** If you miss one of these days, you must have documentation and have contacted the instructor prior to missing the class. In the event of an emergency, **within 24 hrs. of the date**. Oversleeping and forgetting about the days are not acceptable excuses and you will not be allowed to make up the attendance day (or the test, if you miss a test day). Sickness, death, etc. are excusable but it IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to provide OFFICIAL documentation (ex. Doctor note that says you must miss class). Tests must be made up before they are returned to the class. Arriving late for a test will result in a 10% grade reduction as well as losing points for missing listening examples.

### **CELL PHONE POLICY**

There will be allotted "cell phone breaks" throughout the course. If you are caught using your phone outside of the allotted break, your attendance will be affected. YOU WILL RECEIVE ONE MARKED ABSENCE for every 2 times you are caught using your phone outside of the allotted break.

### **Assignments (Online and In-class):**

Since this course is a hybrid, students will be expected to do a portion of assignments and learning online. Students are expected to use both CourseDen and the online materials (provided by instructor and available on CourseDen). Please pay attention to the days you will be expected to complete online work (refer to the Course Schedule) and become familiar with CourseDen

There may be occasional work done in-class. If you miss class, you will not be allowed to make-up the work.

\*\*\*NO MAKE-UPS are allowed for any missed in-class or homework assignment. NO EXCEPTIONS

### **Grade Rubric:**

Test 1-**20%** of overall grade

Test 2-**20%** of overall grade

Online Assignments-**30%** of overall grade  
In-Class Assignments-**30%** of overall grade

\*\*Please note: there will be assignments within each of these categories that are weighted more than others. For instance, there may be some online assignments that are worth more points than others. A more detailed list will be given out at a later date.

### **Academic Honesty:**

At the University of West Georgia, we believe that academic and personal integrity are based upon honesty, trust, fairness, respect, and responsibility. Students at West Georgia assume responsibility for upholding the honor code. West Georgia students pledge to refrain from engaging in acts that do not maintain academic and personal integrity. These include, but are not limited to, plagiarism, cheating, fabrication, aid of academic dishonesty, lying, bribery or threats, and stealing.

The University of West Georgia maintains and monitors a confidential Academic Dishonesty Tracking System. This database collects and reports patterns of repeated student violations across all the Colleges, the Ingram Library, and the School of Nursing. Each incidence of academic dishonesty is subject to review and consideration by the instructor, and is subject to a range of academic penalties including, but not limited to, failing the assignment and/or failing the course.

Student conduct sanctions range from verbal warning to suspension or expulsion depending on the magnitude of the offense and/or number of offenses. The incident becomes part of the student's conduct record at UWG.

### **Grading Policy:**

Assignments will be returned to the students within three weeks of submission unless otherwise noted. Late assignments are not accepted except in extreme circumstances. Tests can be taken late ONLY with documentation (i.e. doctor's note).

### **Additional:**

It is the responsibility of the student to be familiar with all information included on this website:  
<http://www.westga.edu/UWGSyllabusPolicies/>

The information in the website includes:

- Americans with Disabilities Act
- UWG Email Policy
- Credit Hour Policy
- University of West Georgia Honor Code

### **Disclaimer:**

All information in this syllabus is subject to change. Any additional information or adjustments provided through UWG email, CourseDen or in class serve as binding and part of the syllabus. It is the responsibility of the student to stay up to date with all information.