

MUSC4600A PRINCIPAL APPLIED PIANO

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http://www.westga.edu/assetsDept/vpaa/Common_Language_for_Course_Syllabi.pdf

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CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Lessons include studies in technic, style, artistry and performance. Repertoire studied is primarily from method books or standard literature.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1) To gain fundamental knowledge of music, beginning at the student's level of ability
- 2) To aid in skill development, especially in the areas of technique and reading.
- 3) To polish and perform two pieces for jury exam
- 4) To encourage the development of musicality and expressiveness.
- 5) To increase knowledge of individual composers and performance style practices, according to each student's ability.
- 6) To gain exposure to and appreciation of a broad range of repertoire.
- 7) To sightread music at an easier level and a genre that the student enjoys.

COURES REQUIREMENTS

- 1) **Repertoire** – To be determined by the instructor and the student to fit the individual student's growth and interests. Assigned repertoire and technique level is adjusted to fit the varying needs of each student.
- 2) **Practice Requirements** – Students registered for 2 hour credit must practice **2 hours a day for 6 days of the week** Students performing a **Level Change or Recital will need to add to these times**. Be consistent and schedule practice in your **daily** routine. Follow the assignment and practice plan given each week. The two most important days to practice are the days before and after lesson.
- 3) **Attendance Policy** – Students must be punctual and attend all lessons. Excused absences are given for illnesses and deaths. Make-ups will be given at the discretion of the instructor. **No make-ups will be given the final two weeks of class unless instructor is absent.**

- 4) **Required Materials** – Music should be purchased by students.
- 5) **Concert Attendance** – It is expected that you will support other pianists by attending recital performances by other piano students and guest artists.

6) **Evaluations**

- a) Lessons – It is expected that you will have followed the assigned practice plan and have made progress towards those goals whether they be technical or interpretive.
- b) Jury – This final exam is performed in front of the piano faculty. You will play your assigned technique and two pieces.
- c) Technique – Scales, arpeggios and cadence chords will be assigned according to the level of each individual student and the repertoire chosen.
- d) Grading

Lessons	6 pts. X 14(weeks) = 84 pts. Possible
Seminar/Level Change	6 pts.
Jury Exam/Level Change	10 pts. (Repertoire and Technique)

Each lesson will be graded according to preparedness of assignment and attendance. Missed lessons will equal 0 pts. for that lesson. **Grades will be given at midterm to determine if you need to improve your practice skills.**