

COURSE OUTLINE : MUSIC 242

D Credit – Degree Applicable

COURSE ID 001227

Cyclical Review: September 2020

COURSE DISCIPLINE: MUSIC

COURSE NUMBER: 242

COURSE TITLE (FULL): Concert Singers: Contemporary

COURSE TITLE (SHORT): Concert Singers: Contemporary

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM C-ID: MUS 180 - Large Ensemble

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

MUSIC 242 is a course in the appreciation and performance of contemporary choral literature. Emphasis is placed on music composed during the 20th and 21st centuries. Public performance is required.

CATALOG NOTES

Note: Students must demonstrate the ability to match pitches and maintain steady rhythm. An audition is required. Note: May be taken 4 times.

Total Lecture Units: 0.00

Total Laboratory Units: 1.00

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Total Lecture Hours: 0.00

Total Laboratory Hours: 54.00

Total Laboratory Hours To Be Arranged: 0.00

Total Contact Hours: 54.00

Total Out-of-Class Hours: 0.00

Prerequisite: None.



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ENTRY STANDARDS

	Subject	Number	Title	Description	Include
1				Demonstrate the ability to match pitch;	Yes
2				demonstrate the ability to maintain a steady rhythm;	Yes
3				demonstrate the ability to follow a choral score.	Yes

EXIT STANDARDS

- 1 Perform choral music selected from choral literature composed during the 20th and 21st century;
- apply the principles of ensemble singing by practicing the elements of tone, blend, style, balance, and diction in rehearsal;
- 3 develop and use sight singing skills by reading new literature;
- 4 demonstrate rehearsal techniques and etiquette by participating in rehearsals;
- 5 demonstrate performance practices and etiquette by participating in performances;
- analyze the comparative styles and performance practices of the literature being performed;
- 7 synthesize rehearsal techniques into a practice plan for personal improvement;
- 8 demonstrate etiquette, language, and performance practices of the contemporary era by participating in rehearsal and a concert.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

- 1 demonstrate advanced stage deportment through participation in public performances
- 2 sing choral literature expressively with a range of musical styles
- 3 apply principles of ensemble singing
- 4 identify and differentiate cultural, historic and aesthetic contexts of the music literature performed

COURSE CONTENT WITH INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS

	Description	Lecture	Lab	Total Hours
1	Historical background and traditional performance practices of material being performed Lives and musical significance of the composers Musical eras in which the works were composed	0	5	5
2	Literature Preparation Sight reading and note preparation Phrasing and style Preparation of solo material	0	18	18



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3	Vocal Technique Warm-up exercises Discussion of the tonal characteristics of the music to be performed Application of exercises and principles of tone to individual voice	0	9	9	
4	Historical Elements Historical context Performance practices and styles of era Social significance Application to contemporary performance	0	8	8	
5	Reading skills Rehearsal techniques Independent study techniques	0	6	6	
6	Concerts and Other Activities • Dress rehearsals • Recording sessions • Festival performances • Concert participation	0	8	8	

OUT OF CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

- 1 sectional rehearsals (e.g. altos learn and practice alto part as a section);
- 2 personal study of soprano, alto, tenor, bass (SATB) parts (e.g. learn and practice assigned part).

METHODS OF EVALUATION

- 1 formal and informal aural examinations in performance;
- 2 attendance in class and at performances;
- 3 oral examination;
- student's contribution to group according to his/her application of the principles of performance, rehearsal practices, and etiquette.



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METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

Lecture
✓ Laboratory
Studio
✓ Discussion
Multimedia
Tutorial
Independent Study
Collaboratory Learning
✓ Demonstration
Field Activities (Trips)
Guest Speakers
✓ Presentations

TEXTBOOKS

Title	Туре	Publisher	Edition	Medium	Author	IBSN	Date
Choral octavos and							
music folders will be							
provided for the course.							