

MUSI 1310 CLASS POLICY Fall 17 (Prof. Sparks)

Attendance

- 15 weeks of classes (MWF [3x15=45] MW [2X15=30] Class Sessions + Final Exam
- Tardies are disruptive to the instructional experience therefore, 3 tardies will equal an absence. Tardies are defined as **coming late, **leaving early, or **missing an extensive portion of the class.
- Attendance counts for 100 points toward your final grade.
- If you attend class regularly, you will be successful in this all of your classes.
- IF you missed more than 6 hours of class time, the instructor can drop you from the class.

Classroom Protocol

- No cellphone use in class. If you have an emergency situation communicate this with me before class. When class starts put your phone away.
- Laptops/Tablets can be used to take notes.
- Class Participation is essential.
- If you are caught with your cell phone out, you will be asked to leave class and will be counted "absent" for that day.

Connect for Education

- As stated in the "Syllabus" this where your text, Quizzes, musical and video examples are located.
- Acquire your access key immediately.
- Review the material for each class session (before).
- Listen to all musical and video examples, along with viewing the "flashcards" before taking the assessment.
- You are responsible for ALL QUIZZES and TESTS located here. This is your score for "Quizzes and Class Participation."

Desire 2 Learn (Learning Management System)

- This is a hybrid class with all information (availability) and submissions (will be completed) on line through D2L (Desire 2 Learn).
- **Syllabus, Class Schedule** and **Class Policy** are located here.
- You will submit YOUR "**CLASS PRESENTATIONS**" and "**CONCERT SUMMARY LOGS**" in the designated "**DROPBOX**" for each item.
- There are various **Help** files and videos online that you can view to assist you. Go to LSC-Online, then click the "STUDENT HELP" Tab.

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- OTS (Office of Technology Services) is located in CLA (1st floor)
- 24 hr access: Phone: 1-866-614-5014 ; online@lonestar.edu
- Computer labs are located throughout the campus.
- IF YOU NEED HELP, JUST ASK ME OR ONE OF YOUR CLASSMATES!!!!!!
- This is where you will be able to view your GRADE.

Assignments (Quizzes, Tests, Assignments, Concert Reviews)

- The 3 Module Exams are administered in class (Scantron sheet)
- All Quizzes and Tests on "Connect for Education" have a 50 minute time limit.
- Each weeks unit of Quizzes, Assignments and Assessments are only open when we begin the section and will close on the following Monday at 11:59 PM. You cannot make them up.
- The Final Exam is 1 hour and 50 minutes. Instructions will be received later in the semester for it.

Concert Reviews (15% of your total grade)

- Attendance at three (3) live music concerts by professional musicians.
- One of the concerts must be a performance by a Lone Star College-Kingwood group (recital, jazz band concert or choir)
- No high school groups or regular neighborhood bar groups.
- The groups you selected must be connected through one of the genres of music covered in our text.
- All performances must be approved by the instructor in advance. You will email me a link to the group and the performance you want to attend.
- The paper must be a minimum length of 1 full double-spaced typed page.
- You must include a copy of your ticket with your paper.
- All papers must be typed in Times New Roman 12 or Courier 10 - if a paper is deemed to have been typed in a larger font, a minimum of 15 points will be deducted.
- CONCERT REVIEWS DUE BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 at 11:59. No late submissions will be accepted.
- The summary should address group/artist, where performance took place, did you like/dislike it, what did you like and dislike about it, what was performed, what was the venue like, have you heard the artist/performer before, how did the performances differ, would you see it again, what were your expectations, etc.
- The summary should not address where you ate for dinner that night, if you got lost going there, how much the parking cost, how many drinks were consumed, etc.

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Extra Credit

- Opportunities will be given at the instructors discretion.

Communication

- The best form of communication with me is email through the Desire 2 Learn(D2L) Online System (<http://www.lonestar.edu/lsc-online/>).
- Send all emails, appointment requests, etc related to this class through Lone Star Online (D2L). Always communicate with me using D2L. DON'T EMAIL LATE ASSIGNMENTS. ALL ASSIGNMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE PROPER DROPBOX.
- I will not respond to emails from your personal email after the first week of class.
- ALL EMAILS must have a "Subject" which relates to the content of your email. DO NOT hit REPLY and place information about different content. I should be able to see what the content of each email is about by looking at the Subject line.
- Check the **"NEWS"** section on D2L (front page) daily. This is where I will post IMPORTANT INFORMATION throughout the semester.