



LONE STAR COLLEGE
KINGWOOD

MUSI 1310-2803 ONLINE

American Music
Summer 2024
June 3-July 9

INSTRUCTOR: Marvin Sparks

Office Hours and Location: Virtual

Conference Hours/Student Hours: Engaging in content discussion, asking questions, and proactively getting help increases student learning and success. To facilitate this, I am available to meet via WebEx/Zoom. Since we all have different schedules, I encourage you to meet with me at a time that is mutually convenient. Please email me to make an appointment.

"Reminder: Our campus also has excellent writing, math, and science tutors through LSC-Kingwood Learning Support <https://www.lonestar.edu/lsc-kingwood-tutoring.htm>")

Phone: 832.263.3092 (text messages preferred)

Email: Marvin.Sparks@lonestar.edu; This is my Lonestar email but the best means of communication is through D2L (Online Learning Management system). I will respond within 24-48 hrs. Always email me in D2L using your D2L email address and email me to my D2L email address. This is a separate system and you must be logged into our class on D2L to access email addresses.

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REQUIRED TEXT: E TEXTBOOK:

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Course Material:

Students may purchase the course materials at the online campus bookstore or through Connect For Education online store:

OnMusic Rock 3rd Edition: <https://store.connect4education.com/product/onmusic-rock-3rd-edition/>

Student Resources:

- ★ If you have any questions regarding the Access Code purchase/registration process or the course access process, visit the Student Help Center, which can be found below:
- ★ Our Student Help Center can be accessed at the following URL: <https://c4e.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/categories/204187808-Student>.
- ★ The student tutorial video is another helpful tool for this course. This video can be found at: <https://c4e.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/115004392227-Getting-to-Know-C4Elink-Student-Tutorial-Video->.

Technical Issues:

- ★ In the event you have any issue(s) with the Connect for Education course information, please contact Tech Support at support@connect4education.com or by phone at (703)880-1180, ext. 200 (M-F, 9am-6pm EST) for assistance.

PREREQUISITES: College Level Readiness in Reading AND Writing

CREDIT: This is a 3 credit hour course.

Course Description

A general survey of various styles of music of the Americas, including but not limited to jazz, folk, rock, and contemporary music.

Course Outcomes

1. Identify the elements, styles, and musicians representative of music within the chosen style(s).
2. Analyze the elements and structures of music using appropriate terminology.
3. Critically evaluate the influence of social, political, technological, and/or cultural ideas on the chosen musical style(s).
4. Articulate an informed personal reflection of the chosen musical style(s).

Online Learning

The instruction for online learning classes is delivered via the Internet. Students must have access to a computer and Internet services. Proctored exams at an approved location may be required. Students enrolling in online classes are expected to log in to their classes before the end of the first day of the class. A student having any difficulties should contact the LSC Online help desk as soon as possible by calling 832-813-6600 or VTAC chat in the D2L class.

Desire 2 Learn/Connect 4 Education

This is an "online" course, so your course materials will be accessible online. We will be using two systems: "Connect 4 Education" and Desire 2 Learn. View the "Student Resources" section which has links to all the information you need to register your "Access Code."

★ YOU MUST PURCHASE THE EBOOK/ACCESS CODE IMMEDIATELY

- ★ Text, Quizzes, Assignments, Grades, Audio/Video examples will be on **Connect 4 Education (C4E)**.
- ★ ALL ATTENDANCE, EMAILS, SYLLABUS and ANNOUNCEMENTS will be on **Desire 2 Learn (D2L)**.
- ★ Must take the Desire 2 Learn (D2L) training in order to access the course materials (mentioned above).
- ★ Become familiar with both of these systems and make sure your personal computer system or the one you will be using is reliable. If you have a problem with the D2L system call the **LSC HELP DESK**. Their number is **OTS Service Desk 24/7: 281-312-1400**
- ★ If you have a problem with **C4E** contact Connect 4 Education Technical Support for assistance:
 - ★ **Email:** support@connect4education.com
 - ★ **Phone:** 703-880-1180 x200
 - ★ **Hours:** Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. ET to 6 p.m. ET

Evaluation

Grades will be determined by the completion of all Assignments, Discussions, Quizzes, Mid-Term and Final Exams on C4E; Attendance Check-In on D2L.

- ★ This is a "self paced" course. All lessons, quizzes, writing assignments, Mid-Term and Final will open on the first day of class.
- ★ A suggested schedule will be posted in D2L.
- ★ There are 48 lessons and quizzes, plus 2 Writing assignments and the Mid-Term and Final Exam.
- ★ This is a 6 week class.
- ★ Budget enough time to complete your work. Don't wait till the last minute.
- ★ No late work will be accepted. If there is a problem contact me immediately to determine a solution.
- ★ Make sure you read all information posted in **C4E** and **D2L** to assist you.

Grading Policy:

Tests (Mid-Term/Final) Quizzes, and Written Assignments on **C4E** = 90%

- ★ Attendance = 10% (Check-in weekly on Qwickly Attendance) There is a video posted in the "Announcements" on D2L that covers how to "check-in."

Grading Scale:

100 - 89.5 = A; 89 - 79.5 = B; 79 - 69.5 = C; 69 - 59.5 = D; 59 - 0 = F

Mid-Term and Final Exams:

The Mid-Term and Final exams are opened on the first day of class. There's a 2-hour time limit and 2 attempts are possible. Once you start the exam, you must finish it.

Communication

The best form of communication with me is email through [Lone Star Online](#). Send all emails and appointment requests through **Lone Star Online (D2L)**.

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Classroom Behavior: The LSC Student Handbook [Student Conduct, Section 562.01d] states, "Disruptive activity that hinders other students' learning or deters an instructor from effective teaching will not be tolerated under any circumstances. In reference to "Online Learning", you must be considerate of your fellow classmates, especially in reference to the "Discussions." When communicating with your Professor, courtesy is the best method and I will provide respect and courtesy to you.

Attendance Policy:

Online Attendance Requirements (10% of your Final Grade)

Logging into our class and completing assignments is the way to be successful in our class. Each week you must "Check in" on the Qwickly App (located under "Course Activities." I open and close the "Check-In" each week on Sunday. On the following Tuesday, I will review your "Check In" and will modify your "Attendance Grade" which reflects the following activity:

Your "Attendance" grade will be calculated in the following way:

- **Present (100%);** If you have logged into Qwickly on D2L and have completed some assignments on C4E. If have already completed C4E assignments, you still need to log in to Qwickly on D2L during that week.
- **Late (80%)** If you have not logged into Qwickly on D2L but have completed some of the C4E assignments.
- **Absent (0%)** If you haven't logged into Qwickly on D2L or completed any of the assignments on C4E
 - Attendance is **IMPORTANT** in an Online class. Logging in and completing assignments is essential.
 - A student who anticipates the inability to complete assignments should notify the instructor in advance.
 - Incomplete assignments, quizzes, exams, spotty logins, and non-communication will inhibit the successful completion of this course.
 - If you have not completed the required Writing Assignments, Quizzes, and by the Projected Due Dates you will receive an **F**.
 - **The instructor will not drop a student from this course for any reason. It is the sole responsibility of the student to withdraw.** A student desiring to withdraw must do so officially through the Registrar's Office. Failure to officially withdraw by the last day to withdraw and receive a "W" will result in a grade of F for the course. Students considering dropping a course should talk to the instructor before dropping.
 - If you have not completed **ASSIGNMENTS, QUIZZES, EXAMS** or communicated with me regarding your lack of interactions by the **Mid-Term (June 17)**, you must drop this class or you will receive an **F**.
 - **If you are experiencing difficulty logging in and completing the required assignments, quizzes, or tests because of work, illness, or technology problems please confer with me as soon as you are aware of the problem so that we can address your situation together.**

Six Drop Rule:

An institution of higher education may not permit a student to drop more than SIX (6) courses, including **any course** a transfer student has dropped at another Texas public institution of higher education. Eligible criteria for a waiver include a) change of work schedule prohibiting attendance, b) active military, c) severe illness or debilitating condition, d) death of a family member, e) class cancellation, and f) complete withdrawal. Developmental Studies courses do not apply to this rule.

For more information, please go to

<http://www.lonestar.edu/course-drops.htm>.

Last Day to Drop (Official Day of Record): June 6

Last Day to Withdraw: June 27

Syllabus Change:

While every attempt has been made to prepare this syllabus and class schedule in final form, it will be the instructor's prerogative to make any changes as may be deemed necessary in order to meet the learning outcomes of the course. Students will be notified in writing (via D2L Announcements) of any changes.

Kingwood Culture and Engagement Statement:

Lone Star College-Kingwood is committed to offering a learning environment that promotes the study of varied perspectives. The topics that are covered in college courses are often challenging, academically and emotionally; this allows students to assess basic assumptions, take agency over learning, and engage in dialogue with empathy for classmates. We will talk about differing ideas without being confrontational, respect all experiences and cultures, and maintain respect for others and their perspectives. We embrace diversity, we advance equity, and we cultivate inclusion.

Lone Star College System Policies:

Please use the following link to find ALL LSC policies, procedures, and student success information. It is your personal, academic, and legal responsibility to know and adhere to the information provided.

<http://www.lonestar.edu/syllabus-policies>

Lone Star College supports students with online tutoring, online bookstore access, online library resources, with access to Office 365 available. Information about tutoring and available resources may be found at <https://www.lonestar.edu/Student-Resources.htm>.

Artificial Intelligence:

AI Not Allowed

The use of artificial intelligence (AI) is strictly prohibited in this course. Students must complete all academic work without relying on artificial intelligence tools. The use of AI, including but not limited to language models, chatbots, or other similar technologies, to generate or complete assignments, quizzes, discussions, or exams is considered a form of academic misconduct and will result in disciplinary action. View additional information at <<https://www.lonestar.edu/instructional-resources.htm>

Behavior Intervention Team:

The overall goal of the Behavioral Intervention Team is to promote a safe college environment for all students and staff focused on student learning and student development. By encouraging all members of the campus community to communicate behaviors that are concerning and provide support and connect students with resources that can assist them.

If a community member (student, faculty or staff) behaves in a way that is disruptive or poses a threat to any aspect of the LSCS community, such behaviors should be reported to the Behavior Intervention Team. If you see something, say something....

You are encouraged to identify yourself because this may assist the BIT if clarification or additional information is needed. Submitting your name also gives your report more credence. Anonymous entries will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. File a report: <https://www.lonestar.edu/16834.htm>

Veteran Statement:

For more information on Veterans' Affairs click here [Veterans' Affairs Office](#) or visit the Veteran's Office on campus.

COVID- 19 Statement:

Lone Star College is required to report all student and employee confirmed positive cases of COVID-19, and other specified notifiable conditions, to the Texas Department of State Health Services' Infectious Disease Control and Prevention Unit. This is a reminder that if an employee or student tests positive for COVID-19 or receives a diagnosis of COVID-19 from a medical provider, that information should be reported by sending an email to LSC-ReportVirus@lonestar.edu or by calling 832.246.0019.

Counseling Services: KC-Counselors@lonestar.edu

Annette Latigue, LMSW (Part-Time)

Annette.M.Latigue@lonestar.edu

281-312-8422

Mon-Thurs 2:30-6:00 PM

Friday 9:00-11:30 AM

Sherri Ondrusek, M.A. (Part Time)

Sharon.Ondrusek@lonestar.edu

281-312-8422; SCC 254

Mon-Thurs 2:30-6:00 PM

Friday 2:30-5 pm

Sherri also works with Humble ISD's Mosaic Program.

Sharon Kenemore (Full Time)

*probation/suspension: Sharon.L.Kenemore@lonestar.edu 281-312-1574; SCC 195A

Lone Star College-Kingwood Learning Commons

On-Campus and Virtual Services Available

D2L & Office Apps Help

- [How to Use D2L](#) (YouTube)

Website: kwlibguides.lonestar.edu/LC-technology/technology-in-LC

Phone: 281-312-1693

Email: Kingwood.Library@LoneStar.edu

Tutoring & Study Skills

- Math, Sciences, and Writing

Website: www.lonestar.edu/lsc-kingwood-tutoring

Phone: 281-312-1439

Email: Jenny.R.Keller@LoneStar.edu

Research & Citation Help

- [Course Material](#)
- [Research & Citation Guides](#)

Website: www.lonestar.edu/library/kingwood

Phone: 281-312-1693

Email: Kingwood.Library@LoneStar.edu

Learning Commons

- [Student IDs](#)
- Study space
- [Technology in the LC](#)

Website: www.lonestar.edu/kw-learning-commons

Phone: 281-312-1691

LC Operating Hours: Mon-Thurs: 8 – 7, Fri: Closed

Make an Appointment in WC Online! lonestar.mywconline.com/

COURSE SCHEDULE

The complete course schedule is available on C4E and D2L.