TAMU-Commerce Graduate Choral Literature I

MUS 526 Summer 2016 Syllabus MTWR 9:00-12:00 TAMUC Metroplex Center

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Music Department Mission Statement

The Music Department of Texas A&M University-Commerce promotes excellence in music through the rigorous study of music history, literature, theory, composition, pedagogy, and the preparation of music performance in applied study and ensembles to meet the highest standards of aesthetic expression.

Students with Disabilities

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact *Dr. Chris White 903.886.5327 or the Director of Disability Resources & Services, Hallady Student Services Building, Room 303D, (903) 886–5150.*

University Behavior Policy

All students enrolled at the University shall follow the tenets of common decency and acceptable behavior conducive to a positive learning environment (Student's Guide Handbook, Policies and Procedures, Conduct.)

Course Purpose

Intended for the graduate choral conductor, this course is directed towards developing a general knowledge of choral literature, which will contribute to the goal of becoming a better teacher, choral conductor, and musician. Specifically this course will provide a historical overview of each major era of choral music, close examination of selected major contributions to choral music and a close examination of choral music from each era appropriate to secondary music education.

<u>Materials</u>

Syllabus

A Survey of Choral Music-Ulrich

Choral Literature Packet- Purchased from Professor

Class Policies

- 1. Attendance is imperative to success in the class. Every day missed is the equivalent to 3 regular classes. You will not be able to meet the minimum standard for success in this class if you miss even one day of class.
- 2. Grades will be weighted accordingly:
 - 8 Composition Reports 800 points (100 points each)
 - 4 Composer Reports 100 points (25 points each)
 - 2 Listening Tests 100 points (50 points each)
 - Final Exam 100 points

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Assignments

- 1. Renaissance Composition Reports- Each report should include at a minimum the following information:
 - a. Each student will be assigned a Renaissance composition from each of the following categories:
 - i. Motets/Anthems
 - 1. Victoria
 - 2. Tallis
 - 3. Byrd Latin
 - 4. Byrd English
 - 5. Josquin
 - 6. Dunstable
 - ii. Mass
 - iii. Italian Madrigals
 - 1. Arcadelt
 - 2. Verdelot
 - 3. Vincentino
 - 4 De Rore
 - 5. Moteverdi
 - 6. Gesualdo
 - iv. French and English Secular Music
 - 1. Gibbons
 - 2. Wilbye
 - 3. Morley
 - 4. Le Jeune
 - 5. Janequin
 - 6. Certon
 - b. A brief biography of the composer including major jobs and/or positions, education and influences.
 - c. Information about the origin of the music; composition date, first publication date, first performance date, circumstances surrounding the

- first performance or reason for composition. General characteristics and compositional techniques utilized.
- d. Voicing, solos, accompaniment and instrumentation.
- e. Each presentation should be accompanied by listening examples. Provide an annotated discography for at least three recordings. The annotation should include, at a minimum, the ensembles name, the conductors name and background, scholarly area of interest, and where and when the recording was accessed.
- f. Flow chart graph of the piece visually demonstrating the musical organization. Use the tools discussed in the score study lecture and be creative. Use a format that best allows you to demonstrate the musical organization. This chart should be used in the class presentation to demonstrate the structure of music.
- g. Please cite all sources in a bibliography using the Chicago Style Manual as found in *A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations* by Kate Turabian or www.chicagomanualofstyle.org.
- h. All presentations should be typed and well organized. Flow charts may be hand drawn. Copies of your report should be prepared and distributed to the class prior to your presentation.
- 2. Baroque Composition Reports- Each report should include at a minimum the following information:
 - a. Each student will be assigned a Baroque composition from each of these categories:
 - i. J.S. Bach Cantatas- As assigned in Conducting Class
 - 1. BWV 182
 - 2. BWV 80
 - 3. BWV 71
 - 4. BWV 4
 - 5. BWV 131
 - 6. BWV 140
 - ii. J.S. Bach Motets-
 - 1. Singet dem Herrn BWV 225
 - 2. Der Gist Hilft BWV 226
 - 3. Jesu, Meine Freude BWV 227
 - 4. Fürchte dich nicht BWV 228
 - 5. Komm, Jesu Komm BWV 229
 - 6. Lobet den Herrn BWV 230
 - iii. J.S. Bach Masses and Passions
 - 1. St. Matthew Passion
 - 2. St. John Passion
 - 3. Mass in B minor
 - 4. TBA
 - 5. TBA
 - 6. TBA
 - iv. Handel
 - 1. Coronation Anthems

- 2. Chandos Anthems
- 3 Dixit Dominus
- 4. Judas Maccabaeeus
- 5. Israel in Egypt
- 6. Jephtha
- b. Information about the origin of the music; composition date, first publication date, first performance date, circumstances surrounding the first performance or reason for composition. General characteristics and compositional techniques utilized.
- c. Voicing, solos, accompaniment and instrumentation.
- d. Each presentation should be accompanied by listening examples. Provide an annotated discography for at least three recordings. The annotation should include, at a minimum, the ensembles name, the conductors name and background, scholarly area of interest, and where and when the recording was accessed.
- e. Flow chart graph of the piece visually demonstrating the musical organization. Use the tools discussed in the score study lecture and be creative. Use a format that best allows you to demonstrate the musical organization. This chart should be used in the class presentation to demonstrate the structure of music.
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- g. All presentations should be typed and well organized. Flow charts may be hand drawn. Copies of your report should be prepared and distributed to the class prior to your presentation.
- 3. Renaissance and Baroque Composer Reports. For each assigned composer provide a brief biography of the composer including major jobs and/or positions, education and influences and a list of major repertoire by genre.
- 4. Listening Tests. Two listening tests will be given. One covering Renaissance and one covering Baroque.
- 5. Final Exam. A take home final exam will be given. The exam will consist of large scope essay questions that could later be used to prepare for Graduate Comprehensive Exams.

Renaissance Composer Report Assignments

1. Renaissance Composer Reports. Choose two composers from the following list: TBA

Baroque Composer Report Assignments

- 1. Baroque Composer Reports. Choose two composers from the following list:
 - a. Hans Leo Hassler
 - b. Antonio Lotti
 - c. Giovanni Battista Pergolesi
 - d. Niccola Antonio Porpora
 - e. Michael Prasetorius

- f. Henry Purcell
- g. Alessandro Scarlatti
- h. Jan Pieterson Sweelinck
- i. Georg Philipp Telemann
- i. Antonio Vivaldi
- k. Jean-Baptiste Lully
- 1. Marc-Antoine Charpentier

Class Schedule

9:00-10:30 and 10:40-12:00

Week One

June 6th Overview of Cohort schedule, syllabus, assignments and project

instructions Listening

Renaissance Compositional Schools

June 7th Renaissance Motets and Anthems

Student Motets and Anthem reports

Reading: Ulrich chapt. 1 and 2

June 8th Renaissance Masses

Student Mass reports

Reading Ulrich chapt. 3, 4

June 9th Renaissance Secular Music

Student Italian Madrigal reports

Reading Ulrich chapt. 5

June 10th Student French and English reports

Listening Test

Renaissance Composer Reports Due

Week Two

June 13th Baroque overview

Reading Ulrich chapt. 6

June 14th Music of J.S. Bach

Student J.S. Bach Cantata Reports

Reading Ulrich chapt. 7

June 15th Music of G.F. Handel

Student J.S. Bach Motet Reports

June 16th Music of H. Schütz

Student J.S. Bach Mass and Passion Reports

June 17th Student Handel Reports

Baroque Listening Test

June 20th Take Home Test Due by 9:00am

Research Resources

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Journals

Choral Journal

American Choral Review

BACH

Early Music

Journal of the American Musicology Society

Music and Letters

Music Journal

Music Education Journal

Music Article Guide

Musical Quarterly

Musical America