School of Music room 350

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MVK 1411,2421,3431

Required Texts:

There are no required texts for this course. The student is expected to purchase copies of the music they are assigned. The purpose for this is because the student is encouraged to take notes in their score.

Course Objectives:

The purpose of this course is to familiarize the student with the basic requirements for studio piano study. This course would serve a two-fold purpose; the student is acquainted with basic excersizes such as scales and arpeggios. Since there is no jury for first semester students, this is an ideal time for teaching such technique. For students who are familiar with scales and excersizes we work to make them better, or we concentrate on preparing them for the next level of Piano studio MVK2421. In this case, it would become necessary to introduce the student to the repertoire that is required for success in future courses.

Course Grading:

The Final grade will be determined from the following criteria; a Juried performance(30%). Jury to consist of entire Piano faculty and occurs on the first Saturday before exam week. The student will also be required to perform assigned repertoire in Piano Studio class(30%). Furthermore, the student is expected to complete all assigned material (40%) in a timely fashion. Music Majors and music minors are expected to perform in two student convocation recitals during their residency in the curriculum.

Course Policies:

The student is expected to attend all classes and to support their studio colleagues in performance. There will be one lesson per week and assignments will be made at each lesson. The student is expected to sign up for a lesson time in which they will have an hour warm-up practice. The student is expected to practice at least two (2) hours a day.

Jury Performance:

The Jury date will be announced as exam time approaches.

Dress Code

Students are expected to dress appropriately for all lessons and classes. This would include collared shirts ironed for young men dress pants with creases and dress belt and shoes. Ladies preferably nice dresses and shoes not sandles. If you prefer pants then long pants and shoes with low heals.

"Students requesting classroom accommodation must first register with the Dean of Students Office. The Dean of Students Office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation."