

**University of Florida  
School of Music  
Fall 2019  
MUL 6645 Choral Literature  
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MATERIALS: Scores from choral Library and Recordings as assigned.

**GENERAL OBJECTIVES:**

1. To study and internalize a connected account embracing the evolution and stylistic characteristics of principal forms of choral music.
2. To study the elements and rudimental performance practices of the various style periods.
3. To gain an overview of the body of appropriate repertoire available for secondary school choral ensembles.
4. To create an annotated repertoire list of some 300 choral selections, comprehensive in style and appropriate for secondary school choirs.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES:** Students will be presented repertoire and lecture material organized into the following units.

1. Introduction to the Mass
  - a. The Church Year
  - b. Ordinary and Proper Texts
  - c. Composers
  - d. Renaissance Performance Techniques
  - e. Important Mass Settings
  - f. Important Mass Movements Published Separately
2. Motet
  - a. Introductory History
  - b. Composers
  - c. Important Motets
3. Renaissance Secular Vocal Forms
  - a. Italian Madrigal
  - b. English Madrigal
  - c. Chanson
  - d. Lied
4. Introduction to Baroque Choral Music
  - a. Development of Opera and Baroque Style
  - b. Early Baroque Choral Forms – continuo Madrigal, Oratorio, Passion
  - c. Baroque Performance Techniques
5. Early Baroque Repertoire
  - a. Italy – Monteverdi, etc.
  - b. Germany – Schutz, Tunder, Hammerschmidt
6. Middle Baroque Repertoire
  - a. Germany – Buxtehude
  - b. England – Purcell

- c. France – Charpentier
- 7. Late Baroque Repertoire
  - a. Germany – Bach, Telemann
  - b. England – Handel
- 8. Introduction to Classical Style
  - a. Choral Forms
- 9. The Bach Children Repertoire
- 10. Haydn Repertoire
- 11. Mozart Repertoire
- 12. Beethoven
- 13. Romantic Choral Music
  - a. Forms
- 14. Early Romantic
  - a. Schubert Repertoire
- 15. Romantic
  - a. Germany – Brahms, Bruckner, Mendelssohn Repertoire
  - b. France - Faure Repertoire
  - c. England – Elgar, Wesley
  - d. Italy – Rossini, Verdi, Others
  - e. Russia - Bortnianski, Chesnekov, Others
- 16. Early American Choral Music
  - a. Billings, Morgan, the Moravians, Others
- 17. Choral Music of the Twentieth Century
  - a. Forms and Performance Style
- 18. Composers and Repertoire
  - a. England – Vaughan Williams, Holst, Walton, Britten, Rutter, Others
  - b. USA – Copland, Bernstein, Foster, Gershwin, Thompson, Clausen, Gawthrop
  - c. France – Durufle, Debussy, Honegger, Others
  - d. Germany – Zimmermann, Hindemith, Distler, Others
  - e. Russian – Stravinsky
  - f. Central Europe – Bartok
- 19. Published Octavos by new Composers
- 20. Opera Choruses as Repertoire
- 21. Multicultural Music
  - a. Spirituals
  - b. World Folk Music
  - c. Others
- 22. Pop and Show Choir Repertoire

#### GRADING PROCEDURES:

1. Compendium*	50%
2. In Class Discussion	20%
3. Proposed Concert Programs (4)**	20%
4. Final Drop-the-Needle and Score I.D. Exam	10%

#### \*Compendium

1. Brief overview of the composer's contribution to choral composition
2. Brief history of work composition assigned (genre, etc.)
3. If assigned selection is from a larger work give brief description of the whole
4. Discuss in succinct musical and descriptive terms the selection from a conductor's perspective.

#### \*\* Proposed Concert Programs:

1. Describe hypothetical ensemble and audience profile
2. Pick a concert program format.
3. Pick repertoire for the concert based on principles for developing programs
4. Using a few descriptors justify your selection of the pieces and why these are placed in the chosen position on the program

\* Reasonable accommodation will be provided for all persons with disabilities in order to ensure participation in the class. Please see the School of Music handbook for details

\*As a result of completing the registration form at the University of Florida, every student has signed the following statement: "***I understand that the University of Florida expects its students to be honest in all their academic work. I agree to adhere to this commitment to academic honesty and understand that my failure to comply with this commitment may result in disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the University.***" The instructor of this course fully supports the intent of the above statement and will not tolerate academic dishonesty. The members of the University of Florida Community pledge to hold themselves and their peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity.

#### Choral Literature Assigned Composers and Works

#### GREGORIAN CHANTS

Hildegarde von Bingen

*O Virtus Sapientiae*

Anonymous

*Puer natus* (a Christmas hymn)

Anonymous

*Veni creator* (a hymn to the Holy Spirit)

## **ARS NOVA**

Guillaume de Machaut

Kyrie (from *Messe de Notre Dame*)

## **TRANSITION TO THE RENAISSANCE**

Gilles Binchois

Adieu m'amour et ma maitresse

Guillaume Dufay

Kyrie I (from *Messe Se la face ay pale*)  
Gloria ad modum tubae

## **RENAISSANCE**

### French

Pierre Certon

Je le vous dirai!

Pierre Passerau

Il est belle et bon

### German

Hans Leo Hassler

Verbum caro factus est  
Das Herz tut mir auf springen

### English

John Bennet

Weep, O Mine Eyes

William Byrd

Ave Verum Corpus

John Farmer

Fair Phyllis I saw

Orlando Gibbons

Hosanna to the son of David  
This is the Record of John  
The Silver Swan

Thomas Morley

April is in my mistress face  
Fire, fire!

Thomas Tallis

If ye love me

Thomas Weelkes

Hark, all ye lovely saints above

### Italian

Giovanni Gabrielli

Jubilate Deo  
In Ecclesia

Claudio Monteverdi	Ecco mormorar l'onde Si ch'io vorrei morire
G. P. da Palestrina	Kyrie (from <i>Missa Papae Marcelli</i> ) Exsultate Deo Sicut Cervus Super Flumina Babylonis
Orazio Vecchi	Fa una canzona

### Netherlanders

Josquin Desprez	Ave Maria
Orlando di Lassus	Ave Verum Corpus Tristis est anima mea Mon Coeur se recommande a vous

### Spanish

Anonymous	Riu, Riu Chiu Dadme Albricias, Hijos D'Eva
T.L. da Victoria	Ave Maria O Magnum Mysterium

## EARLY BAROQUE

### German

Andreas Hammerschmidt	Heilig Heilig Heilig
Heinrich Schütz	Selig sind die Toten Seben letzte worten

### Italian

Giacomo Carissimi	<i>Jepthe</i>
Claudio Monteverdi	<i>Laetatus sum</i> <i>Beatus vir</i>
Antonio Lotti	Crucifixus

## MIDDLE BAROQUE

## England



## French

- Marc-Antoine Charpentier      In te Domine speravi from *Te Deum*

German

- ## Dietrich Buxtehude

Italian



# HIGH BAROQUE

England



from *Israel in Egypt*  
36-39 Finale

## *Zadok the Priest*

from *Acis and Galatea*  
13. Happy we

German

- George Philipp Telemann Werfet Panier auf im Lande

Johann Sebastian Bach

Chorales

1. from *Christmas Oratorio*

Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light

2. from *St. Matthew Passion*

O Sacred head now Wounded

3. Come Soothing Death

Choruses

1. from *Mass in b minor*

Crucifixus

2. from *Magnificat*

Magnificat

3. from *Christmas Oratorio*

Christian be Joyful

Motets

1. from *Motet I: Singet dem Herr nein neues Lied*

Alles, was O dem hat (finale)

2. from *Motet III: Jesus, mine Freude*

Gute Nacht (verse 5)

## CLASSICAL

### Viennese

Ludwig van Beethoven

from *Mass in C*

1. Kyrie

2. Gloria

Franz Joseph Haydn

from *Creation*

14. The heavens are telling

26. Achieved is the glorious work

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

from *Vesperae Solenmnes de confessore*, K. 339

1. Dixit

5. Laudate Dominum

Ave Verum Corpus

from *Requiem*

2. Dies irae

7. Lacrymosa

Missa Brevis in F  
4. Sanctus

Early America

John Antes	Go, Congregation Go! And Surely He has Bourne Our Griefs
William Billings	I am the Rose of Sharon An Anthem, for Thanksgiving: O Praise the Lord of Heaven
Justin Morgan	Amanda

**ROMANTIC**

Central Europe

Atonin Dvorak	Requiem
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Germanic

Johannes Brahms	In stiller Nacht Der Abend O Heiland, reiss die Himmel auf from <i>Ein Deutsches Requiem</i> 1. Selig Sing die Toten 4. Wie lieblich sind deine Wohnungen
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Anton Bruckner	Te Deum: 1. Te Deum 2. Aeterna Fac Christus factus est Locus iste
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Felix Mendelssohn	Heilig Die Nachtigall from <i>Elijah</i> 29. He watching over Israel
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Franz Schubert	Der Tanz Mass in G: 1. Kyrie 4. Sanctus
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from *Lohengrin*  
Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral  
from *Tannhäuser*  
Pilgrims' Chorus

## French

## Russian

Pavel Chesnakov	from <i>All-Night Vigil</i> , Op. 44 2. Blazhen muzh (Blessed Is the Man)
Modest Mussorgsky	from <i>Boris Gudunov</i> Coronation Scene
Sergei Rachmaninov	from <i>All-Night Vigil</i> , Op. 37 6. Bogoroditsye Dyevo (Ave Maria)
Nikolay Kedrov	Otche Nash

Italian

Pietro Mascagni	from <i>Cavalleria Rusticana</i> Regina coeli
Giuseppe Verdi	from <i>Nabucco</i> Va, pensiero (Chorus of Hebrew Slaves)
	from <i>Il trovatore</i> Opening chorus to Act II (Anvil Chorus)
	from <i>Macbeth</i> Witches Chorus
	from <i>Quattro pezzi sacri</i> 1. Ave Maria
	from <i>Requiem</i> 4. Sanctus

# TWENTIETH CENTURY

## Central & Eastern Europe

Carl Orff

from *Carmina Burana*

- 14. In taberna quando sumus
- 24. Ave fromosissima
- 25. O Fortuna

Krzysztof Penderecki

Stabat Mater (1962)

## Germanic

Hugo Distler

Singet dem Herr nein neues Lied

Paul Hindemith

from *Six Chansons*

- 5. En Hiver

Arnold Schönberg

Friede auf Erden, Op. 13

Heinz Werner Zimmerman

Psalmkonzert

## French

Maurice Duruflé

from *Requiem*

- 4. Sanctus

Ubi Caritas

Arthur Honegger

from *King David*

- 24. Thee will I Love, o Lord

Oliver Messiaen

O Sacrum Convivium

Francis Poulenc

Gloria

Hodie Christus Natus Est

## English

Benjamin Britten

Rejoice in the Lamb

Gustav Holst

The Hymn of Jesus, Op. 37

John Rutter

from *Requiem*

- 6. The Lord is my Shepherd

Charles Villars Stanford

Blue Bird

Ralph Vaughan Williams

from *Mass in g minor*

- 4. Sanctus – Osanna I – benedictus – Osanna II

### American

Samuel Barber	Sure on this Shining Night Agnus Dei
Randol Alan Bass	Concordia
Leonard Bernstein	Chichester Psalms
John Chorbajian	Bitter for Sweet
Aaron Copland	The Promise of Living
Norman Dello Joio	A Jubilant Song
Irving Fine	from <i>The Hour-Glass</i> Have You Seen the White Lily Grow
Morten Lauridsen	O Magnum Mysterium Lux Aeterna: 1. Introit 4. Veni Sancte Spiritus
Randall Thompson	Alleluia
Eric Whitacre	When David Heard Glow

### Russia

Sergei Prokofiev	Alexander Nevsky Cantata, Op. 78
Igor Stravinsky	Anthem (1962) Symphony of Psalms

## MINIMALISTS

Franz Biebl	Ave Maria
Ola Gjeilo	Dark Night of the Soul
Henryk Mikolaj Gorecki	Totus Tuus
Arvo Pärt	Magnificat
John Tavener	Song of Athene

## SPIRITUALS

William Dawson	There is a Balm in Gilead
Jester Hairston	Elijah Rock
Moses Hogan	The Battle of Jericho
Hall Johnson	Ain't Got Time to Die

## HYMN & CAROL ARRANGEMENTS

Robert Russell Bennett	from <i>The Many Moods of Christmas</i> Suite No. 4
Alive Parker	Hark I hear the harps eternal
Mack Wilberg	from <i>Four American Folk Hymns</i> 2. Death Shall Not Destroy My Comfort 3. Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

## MULTICULTURAL WORKS

David Fanshaw	African Sanctus 1. Sanctus
Woo Hyo-Won	Pal-So Seong
Reed Criddle	Chant of the Sixth patriot

## Choral Literature – Suggested Readings

Garretson, Robert L. *Choral Music: History, Style and Performance*. Prentice Hall.  
ISBN 0131371916

Pahlen, Kurt. *The World of the Oratorio*. Amadeus Press, 1985.  
ISBN 0-931340-11-X

Rutter, John, ed. *European Sacred Music*. Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1996.  
ISBN 0-19-343695-7

Ulrich, Homer. *Survey of Choral Music*. International Thompson Publishing, 1973.  
ISBN 0155848631