

MUN 1810/3813/6816 - Steel Drum Ensemble

Fall 2025/Spring 2026

Time T 11:45, or 12:50 (Depending on assignments)

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TEXT AND MATERIALS - Music provided by instructor

Purpose

To develop performance skills on the various components of the steel drum ensemble through rehearsals and performances, and discuss historical and cultural aspects of this art form.

Learning Outcomes

Communicate knowledge, thoughts and reasoning clearly and effectively in forms appropriate to the discipline, individually and/or in groups.

Assessment

Students are expected to attend all rehearsals and concerts as scheduled. Failure to do this will result in a lowering of the student's semester grade. For every unexcused absence, the final grade will be lowered one letter grade. An unexcused absence from a performance will result in a failing grade. Graduate assistants in the percussion area will instruct one steel drum band. These instructors will assign the grades for this group based on the above criteria.

Grading scale

A	93-100
A-	90-92
B+	87-89
B	83-86
B-	80-82
C+	77-79
C	73-76
C-	70-72
D+	67-69
D	63-66
D-	60-62
E	59 and below

Policies

Students are expected to practice outside of the scheduled class time to prepare for rehearsal. In addition, students are expected to assist in the care and maintenance of the instruments. The instructor will hear auditions during the first week of class to determine placement in the ensemble.

Class Schedule

The students will attend weekly rehearsals as assigned by the instructor.

Concert Schedule (subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances)

October/November – Concert at Bo Diddly Plaza with World Music Ensembles, evening date and time TBA

November 2 – Concert with Percussion Ensemble, MUB 101, 5:10 PM

February 20-21 – Percussion Festival, times TBA

April 20 – Concert with Percussion Ensemble, MUB 101, 6:15 PM

Other performances TBA

Further information about the honor policy, accommodations, grade point conversion, attendance, course evaluations, in class recording, and other academic resources can be found at the following link:

<https://syllabus.ufl.edu/syllabus-policy/uf-syllabus-policy-links/>