

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

Information on the conversion of grades to the University of Florida's grade point averages can be found at <http://www.isis.ufl.edu/minusgrades.html>.

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

Academic Honor Policy

It is expected that you will exhibit ethical behavior concerning your work in this class. Students are expected to do their own work, use their own words in papers, and to reference outside sources appropriately. Failure to uphold the standards of academic honesty will result in the appropriate disciplinary action. 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." We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honesty and integrity. Furthermore, on work submitted for credit by UF students, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment."

Students Requesting Accommodations due to Disabilities

To request classroom accommodations, contact the Assistant Dean of Students/Director of the Disability Resources Program at P202 Peabody Hall or call 392-1261 (V), 392-3008 (TDD). That office will provide documentation to the student who must then provide this documentation to the Instructor when requesting accommodation.