**MUE 2470 - PERCUSSION SKILLS** 

Fall 2014

TR 11:45-12:35, Room 233

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Office hours TBA.

**TEXT**: Handouts supplied by instructor

MATERIALS: ProMark SD1 or equivalent snare drum sticks and practice pads provided by instructor

#### Description

Percussion Skills is a study of percussion pedagogy/literature in preparation for teaching public school music grades five through twelve. The course is required of all instrumental music education majors, and can be taken by any music education major.

# **Purpose**

The purpose of this course is to prepare music education majors for the complexities of teaching percussion in a public school setting. All major areas of percussion pedagogy will be covered.

## **Policies**

Due to the nature of the class and the fact that many topics will be covered during each class period, attendance is mandatory. After the second unexcused absence, five points will be subtracted from the final grade for each subsequent unexcused absence. After four unexcused absences the instructor reserves the right to drop the student from the class. Please call prior to class for valid absences.

The class schedule is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

August 26-29 Introduction, organization, snare drum

September 2-4 Snare drum

September 9-11 Snare drum, Multiple percussion

September 16-18 Playing exams, Written exam I

September 23-25 Keyboard percussion

Sept. 30-Oct. 2 Keyboard percussion, Timpani

October 7-9 Timpani

October 14-16 Playing test, Written Test II

October 21-23 Bass drum and cymbals

October 28-30 Triangle, tambourine, etc., World percussion ,

November 4-6 Written Exam III, Drum set

November 13 Drum set

November 18-20 Playing exam, Percussion in the band and orchestra

November 25 Percussion in the band and orchestra

December 2-4 Marching percussion, Concert report and Article review due

December 9 Written Exam IV

## Concert Report

You are required to attend one concert or a percussion/band rehearsal by an area public school music program and write about percussion instrumentation, techniques, etc. Please try to comment on the things

that you observe as they relate to class discussion. If attending a concert, please attend a concert in which you are not performing for your paper. Acceptable UF concerts are Percussion Ensemble (November 21), Wind Ensemble/Symphonic Band, Orchestra, and Percussion Solo Recitals (full-length recitals). This paper should be approximately two typed pages long (double-spaced).

#### Article Review

You are also required to write a review of an article or articles concerning some aspect of **percussion pedagogy**. You should compare and contrast the information in the article with class material presented on that topic. The Music Library contains issues of *Percussive Notes*.

# <u>Assessment</u>

Paper 10% Article review 10%

Playing exams 15% (3@5% each)

Exam I 15% Exam II 15% Exam III 15% Exam IV 20%

## Grading scale

Α 90-100 87-89 B+ В 83-86 B-80-82 77-79 C+ 73-76 С C-70-72 D+ 67-69 D 63-66 D-60-62 Е 59 and below

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

# 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.