MUSP 42B Course Outline as of Summer 2025

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: MUSP 42B Title: JAZZ COMBO ENSEMBLE 2

Full Title: Jazz Combo Ensemble 2

Last Reviewed: 4/22/2024

Units		Course Hours per Week	N	br of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	1.00	Lecture Scheduled	0	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	0
Minimum	1.00	Lab Scheduled	3.00	16	Lab Scheduled	52.50
		Contact DHR	1.00		Contact DHR	17.50
		Contact Total	4.00		Contact Total	70.00
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 0.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 70.00

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 39 - Total 2 Times

Also Listed As:

Formerly: MUSCP 42B

Catalog Description:

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Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Course Completion of MUSCP 42A

Recommended Preparation:

Limits on Enrollment:

By Audition

Schedule of Classes Information:

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Recommended:

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Transfer Credit: CSU;UC. Repeatability: Total 2 Times

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree: Area Effective: Inactive: CSU GE: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

IGETC: Transfer Area Effective: Inactive:

CSU Transfer: Transferable Effective: Spring 2009 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Spring 2009 Inactive:

CID:

CID Descriptor: MUS 180 Large Ensemble

SRJC Equivalent Course(s): MUSP21A OR MUSP21B OR MUSP21C OR MUSP21D OR

MUSP23A OR MUSP23B OR MUSP23C OR MUSP23D OR MUSP30A OR MUSP30B OR MUSP30C OR MUSP30D OR MUSP32A OR MUSP32B OR MUSP32C OR MUSP32D OR MUSP33A OR MUSP33B OR MUSP33C OR MUSP33D OR MUSP42A OR MUSP42B OR MUSP42C OR MUSP42D

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Major Applicable Course

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Perform jazz music with effectiveness and confidence in a small combo.
- 2. Demonstrate improvisational creativity through the concentrated study and performance of mainstream jazz repertoire.

Objectives:

At the conclusion of this course, the student should be able to:

- 1. Demonstrate the ability to create improvised solos with characteristic jazz phrasing over basic chord progressions.
- 2. Demonstrate listening and performance skills related to interaction with other musicians.

Students repeating Jazz Combo Ensemble will be able to perform more difficult repertoire and perform at a higher level of musicianship each semester.

Topics and Scope:

- I. Concentrated Study of Representative Works from Mainstream Jazz Repertoire
- II. Ensemble Performance Skills such as Intonation, Rhythmic Precision, and Dynamics
- III. Public Performance in a Variety of Venues

- A. Classroom
- B. Outdoor
- C. Jazz festival
- D. Concert hall

IV. In-Concert Performances and Clinics with Guest Artists

Students repeating Jazz Combo Ensemble will perform more advanced repertoire each semester; thus, enhancing their skill level, knowledge of the repertoire, and command of improvisational techniques.

Assignment:

- 1. In-class rehearsal and preparation of selected works
- 2. Harmonic and structural analysis of the selected works
- 3. Each semester, the selected repertoire may dictate additional assignments in order to meet the requirements for that literature
- 4. Outside practice of their instrument (ungraded)
- 5. Participation in additional rehearsals, when called
- 6. Participation in concerts, tours, and/or other field trips as scheduled
- 7. Final exam will be a public concert

Students repeating Jazz Combo Ensemble will be held to higher standards of performance with each repetition.

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

None, This is a degree applicable course but assessment tools based on writing are not included because skill demonstrations are more appropriate for this course.

Writing 0 - 0%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving 0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

Class performances, public concerts

Skill Demonstrations 75 - 80%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

None

Exams 0 - 0%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance and participation at rehearsals and concerts

Other Category 20 - 25%

Representative Textbooks and Materials: Instructor prepared materials