MUSCP 11A Course Outline as of Summer 2022

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: MUSCP 11A Title: CLASS PIANO 1

Full Title: Class Piano 1 Last Reviewed: 4/22/2019

Units		Course Hours per Week	•	Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	2.00	Lecture Scheduled	2.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	35.00
Minimum	2.00	Lab Scheduled	1.00	6	Lab Scheduled	17.50
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	3.00		Contact Total	52.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 70.00 Total Student Learning Hours: 122.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade Only

Repeatability: 00 - Two Repeats if Grade was D, F, NC, or NP

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:

This course develops keyboard technique by emphasizing music-reading fluency, functional skills, technical facility, and performance of beginning-level piano literature. Designed for Music majors requiring piano proficiency while also providing non-majors and enrichment students an opportunity to study piano in an atmosphere of academic rigor. (The curriculum of MUSCP 11A corresponds to the materials of MUSC 2A.)

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:

Course Completion of MUSC 1 OR the ability to read music and some prior keyboard experience. Concurrent enrollment in MUSC 2A and MUSC 3A

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:

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Limits on Enrollment: Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.

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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: Fall 2009 Inactive:

UC Transfer: Transferable Effective: Fall 2009 Inactive:

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:

Both Certificate and Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Student Learning Outcomes:

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

1. Utilize fundamental concepts of music and apply them to the performance of beginning-level repertoire on the piano.

Objectives:

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

- 1. Play piano with both hands with appropriate technique.
- 2. Read bass and treble clefs.
- 3. Identify and interpret the symbols of music notation.
- 4. Read and perform melodies, intervals, chords, and rhythm.
- 5. Play major, minor, augmented, diminished and seventh chords, and arpeggios.
- 6. Play scales in 2 octaves up to 4 sharps and flats.
- 7. Sight-read with both hands at an elementary level.
- 8. Perform beginning-level piano repertoire.
- 9. Apply functional harmony skills in order to harmonize melodies and to improvise at an elementary level.
- 10. Evaluate own performance and the performance of others to develop critical listening skills.

Topics and Scope:

(Taught as fully-integrated lecture/lab)

- I. Technique and Theory
 - A. Using of firm attack of the fingers and the weight of the arm
 - B. Use of the damper pedal

- C. Changing dynamics
- D. Legato vs. staccato
- E. Blocked intervals within the octave
- F. Understand the circle of 5ths
- G. Major and minor scales up to 4 sharps and flats
- H. Primary and seven scale degree harmonies
- I. Major, minor, augmented, diminished triads (blocked and broken)
- II. Music Reading
 - A. Bass and treble clefs
 - B. Rhythmic notation in simple and compound meters
 - C. Melodies, intervals, and chords with both hands
 - D. Perform beginning-level piano repertoire

III. Functional Skills

- A. Harmonizing a melody with blocked primary chords
- B. Improvising short melodies in five-finger patterns
- C. Transposing melodies in five-finger patterns
- IV. Repertoire and Performance
 - A. In-class performance of assigned pieces that use the elements listed above
 - B. Developing performance skills and proper stage deportment
- V. Practice
 - A. Developing most efficient practice procedures
 - B. Analyzing music for form, rhythms, pitch, and fingering

Assignment:

(Fully-integrated lecture/lab)

Technique/Theory/Music Reading

- 1. All major and minor five-finger patterns in various rhythms
- 2. Major and minor scales, hands together (one octave)
- 3. Chord progressions using I, IV, V, and V7 chords
- 4. Major, minor, augmented, and diminished triads, blocked and broken, hand over hand
- 5. Sight read beginning-level pieces
- 6. Sight read simple score examples in two parts
- 7. Worksheets in music theory and notation

Functional Skills

- 1. Harmonize diatonic melodies using tonic, dominant, and subdominant chords
- 2. Transpose harmonized melodies to closely related keys
- 3. Improvise diatonic melodies

Repertoire

- 1. Prepare three or more assigned pieces for performance in class
- 2. Demonstrate effective practice methods

Final exam by individual appointment testing sight reading, technique, and functional skills.

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 problem solving assessments and 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.

Harmonizing melodies, transposition, improvisation

Problem solving 20 - 30%

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

Sight reading, technique evaluations, in-class performances

Skill Demonstrations 60 - 75%

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, worksheets

Other Category 5 - 10%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Essential Keyboard Repertoire, Volume 1. Olson, Lynn Freeman. Alfred. 2006 (classic)

First Steps in Keyboard Literature. Olson, Lynn Freeman. Alfred. 1987 (classic)

Instructor prepared materials