

**MUSC 9 Course Outline as of Fall 2015****CATALOG INFORMATION**

Dept and Nbr: MUSC 9 Title: JAZZ APPRECIATION

Full Title: Jazz Appreciation

Last Reviewed: 3/8/2021

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	3.00	Lecture Scheduled	3.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	52.50
Minimum	3.00	Lab Scheduled	0	5	Lab Scheduled	0
		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: 105.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 157.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

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

Also Listed As:

Formerly: MUS 9

**Catalog Description:**

Lecture survey of jazz focusing on an understanding of its essential musical elements, its evolution, and the cultural contributions of African Americans. Special attention is given to the study of standard jazz forms, stylistic differences, and analysis of live and recorded performances.

**Prerequisites/Corequisites:****Recommended Preparation:**

Eligibility for ENGL 1A or equivalent

**Limits on Enrollment:****Schedule of Classes Information:**

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 Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.  
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## **ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:**

<b>AS Degree:</b>	<b>Area</b>				
	E	Humanities		Effective:	Inactive:
	G	American Cultures/Ethnic Studies		Fall 1981	
<b>CSU GE:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>				
	C1	Arts		Effective:	Inactive:
				Fall 1981	
<b>IGETC:</b>	<b>Transfer Area</b>				
	3A	Arts		Effective:	Inactive:
				Fall 1981	
<b>CSU Transfer:</b>	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 1981	Inactive:	
<b>UC Transfer:</b>	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 1987	Inactive:	

### **CID:**

**Certificate/Major Applicable:**  
 Major Applicable Course

## **COURSE CONTENT**

### **Student Learning Outcomes:**

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

1. Upon completion of this course, students will be able to demonstrate knowledge of the historical and aesthetic development of jazz.

### **Objectives:**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

1. Describe elements that are common to all jazz styles and their usage within specific styles.
2. Identify major jazz artists through aural recognition of recorded examples.
3. Explain the cultural contributions of African Americans to the development of jazz.

### **Topics and Scope:**

- I. The Essentials of Musical Perception
  - A. Physical
  - B. Expressive
  - C. Technical
- II. The Elements of Jazz
  - A. Rhythm
  - B. Syncopation
  - C. Interpretation
  - D. Improvisation
  - E. Sounds associated with Jazz
  - F. Form

### III. Overview of Jazz History

- A. The Blues
- B. Ragtime
- C. Early New Orleans Dixieland
- D. Chicago-style Dixieland
- E. Stride and Boogie-Woogie
- F. Swing
- G. Bebop
- H. Cool Jazz
- I. Hard Bop
- J. Free form, jazz-rock, and fusion

IV. Study of classic jazz performances through audio and video recordings of Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Coleman Hawkins, Count Basie, Lester Young, Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie, Miles Davis, Clifford Brown, John Coltrane, and Ella Fitzgerald (among others).

V. Examination of African American social issues and their effects on the art form including racial segregation, integration, black population movements, civil rights, black radicalism, and racial/cultural/ethnic identity.

VI. The contributions of other American racial/cultural/ethnic groups will be discussed whenever appropriate.

#### Assignment:

1. Reading assignments (textbook and supplemental materials): 5-12 pages/wk.
2. Listening assignments: 2-3 hrs/wk.
3. Two concert reports (average 500 words).
4. Listening and recognition exams (2-4).
5. Comprehensive midterm and final examinations.

#### 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.

Concert reports
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Writing 15 - 25%
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**Problem Solving:** Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None
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Problem solving 0 - 0%
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**Skill Demonstrations:** All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None
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Skill Demonstrations 0 - 0%
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**Exams:** All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Multiple choice, matching items, completion, listening recognition

Exams  
50 - 60%

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

Attendance and participation

Other Category  
15 - 25%

**Representative Textbooks and Materials:**

Jazz (12th). Tanner, Megill, and Gerow. W.C. Brown: 2013.