San José State University  
School/Department  
MUSC 34/134/224, Applied String Bass Lessons, Fall 2016

Course and Contact Information

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Prerequisites: Acceptance as a music major via the Audition process and instructor approval

Course Format

Course Description

Individual lessons designed to improves the technical, interpretive, and improvisational skills of the student.

Course Goals (Optional)

Students are evaluated on an individual basis and will:
1. Perform at a high level in lessons, studio classes, required performances and juries with correct notes, rhythms, and articulations.

GE Learning Outcomes (CLO)
1. Demonstrate pitch sensitivity and the ability to play in tune when performing with piano
2. Demonstrate appropriate stage presence and etiquette when performing in public
3. Demonstrate musicianship by playing with phrasing and stylistic characteristics appropriate to historical context or other personal compositional style
4. Demonstrate constantly improving instrumental mechanics as outlined above
5. Demonstrate constantly improving sight reading skills
6. Develop and demonstrate the ability to self-critique all areas of instrumental proficiency and musicianship
7. Develop and demonstrate a warm-up and practice routine and good practice techniques

Required Texts/Readings

Textbook
Based on individual need. Recommended texts may include: technique books by Nanny, Billie, Petrarchi, Kreutzer, etc. as well as Rufus Reid, Ray Brown, Jay Clayton, Tod Coolman, etc. Solos will be chosen to fit the students’ technical level and musical interest.

Course Requirements and Assignments
1. Attend weekly lessons with all assigned material practiced and prepared
2. Practice two or three hours a day on bass assignments only
3. Present studio and public performances as outlined in the student handbook

Final Examination
The final exam will be in the form of a jury performance presented at the end of the semester.

Grading Information
Students will be evaluated on an individual basis. Progress must be shown for each semester and will be measured through achievement of the above goals and learning outcomes. Students will receive feedback as to their progress on a regular basis.

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