Syllabus MUS 107/407T String Chamber Music

Times and Locations: Two meetings per week TBA Dr. Garrick Woods, Instructor garrick.woods@humboldt.edu | 707-826-5448

Office Hours: Tue/Thu. 10am-noon, Wed. 5pm-7pm, or by appointment.

Course Objectives

Participate in a chamber ensemble and prepare a work, in detail, for performance. The student will gain an enriched understanding of rehearsal techniques, collaborative work, and musical performance.

Attendance

As this is a collaborative course you are expected to attend all rehearsals and coachings. I will allow a few exceptions based on life's unexpected surprises. Generally rescheduling your group is an option. The following is permitted:

Up to two excused absences*

Absences in excess of the permitted amount will result in a half-grade deduction from your overall score. Tardiness in excess of 5 minutes will be treated as an absence. Please respect your peers and be on time.

*Excused absences include (but are not limited to) illness, family emergencies, and legitimate professional opportunities. In order for an absence to be excused it *must* be documented and cleared with me. Please contact me if a conflict arises.

Grading

Grades will be assigned for each coaching as well as concert attendance. String chamber music students must attend all string faculty and string student recitals. Students admission is free for these events. Please turn in a program with your name on it to prove your attendance.

Resources

Naxos Music Library: Access to virtually everything you could ever want to listen to in classical music.

Oxford Music Online: Go here instead of Wikipedia to answer any music questions. To access these go to http://libguides.humboldt.edu/c.php?g=303716&p=2027268 (bookmark that link) and click the service you want. You will then have to log in with your HSU credentials. Or do it the long way:

Go to http://library.humboldt.edu and hover over "search and locate" then click "articles and databases and click "music." Click the service you want. You will then have to log in with your HSU credentials.

YouTube is also a good resource to find video of great string performers. http://www.imslp.org hosts many public domain scores and parts that you can use for free.

Course Overview

Relevant community chamber music events:

9/10 5pm – Faculty Artist Series

10/3 8pm – Music of Libby Larsen

10/9 2pm – Music of Libby Larsen (student ensembles)

10/28 7:30pm -- Verona String Quartet (Calvary Lutheran Church 716 South Ave. Eureka, CA 95503)

Each student must attend at least one of these concerts.

Syllabus Addendum

Campus Policies and Resources:

http://www2.humboldt.edu/academicprograms/syllabus-addendum-campus-resources-policies I encourage students to review this information to understand your rights as well as the expectation the University has for students and instructors. Please review especially the Attendance and Disruptive Behavior Policy and Student Code of Conduct as we will require a respectful and peaceful environment for our work. Counseling and Psychological Services and can also serve as a huge benefit to University students in the midst of stress and social difficulties.