Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi  
Department of Music  

MUSI 1311.001: Musicianship I  
MWF 10:00-10:50am CA 228  
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Required texts:  


Corequisite: MUSI 1116.  

I.  Purpose:  Companion to MUSI 1116.  Designed to provide the student with the necessary understanding and analytical skills to be able to perform, create, and discuss music on a competent intellectual basis.  

II.  Student Learning Outcomes  

A.  Pitch and pitch class – Weeks 1-2  
B.  Major and minor keys – Weeks 3-6  
C.  Intervals – Weeks 7-9  
D.  Triads and seventh chords – Weeks 10-11  
E.  Inversion symbols and figured bass – Weeks 12-13  
F.  Diatonic triads and seventh chords in major and minor keys – Weeks 13-14  

III.  Measuring Learning Outcomes  

- Quiz Composite (10 quizzes) 25%  
- Midterm Exam (Monday, Oct. 8) 25%  
- Final Exam (Wed., Dec. 12, 8-10:30am) 25%  
- Homework composite 25%  

Grading Scale:  
A = 90-100  
B = 80-89  
C = 70-79  
D = 60-69  
F = 0-59  

*Course must be passed with a “C” or better in order to be admitted to MUSI 1312, Musicianship II*  

IV.  Attendance Policy  

Since every class will cover new material, good attendance is necessary for your success. Plan to attend every class meeting! The music department’s attendance policy for academic courses is the following:  

- You are allowed four absences from class for any reason.  
- After the fifth absence, your final course grade will be lowered by one letter grade.
• After the sixth absence, you will receive a failing grade in the course.
• Each tardy will count as ½ an absence.

A student that arrives to class more than 10 minutes late with an unexcused reason may be counted ABSENT for the day. This decision is at the discretion of the instructor. Students who do miss class are expected to see the instructor concerning any missed work. Because this course will move very quickly, late homework assignments will not be accepted (except with medical documentation). Assignments must be completed prior to the beginning of the class and turned in at the assigned time.

Students who miss exams or quizzes will ONLY be allowed to make them up with either a doctor’s excuse, a letter from a faculty member stating the student was involved in an official school function, or a death in the family. Making up exams and quizzes are time-consuming and difficult to schedule and administer. Students should always strive to attend every class and especially every exam.

V. Important College of Liberal Arts Information

Academic Advising: The College of Liberal Arts requires that students meet with an Academic Advisor as soon as they are ready to declare a major. The Academic Advisor will set up a degree plan, which must be signed by the student, a faculty mentor, and the department chair. The College's Academic Advising Center is located in Driftwood 203E, and can be reached at 825-3466.

Grade Appeals

As stated in University Rule 13.02.99.C2, Student Grade Appeals, a student who believes that he or she has not been held to appropriate academic standards as outlined in the class syllabus, equitable evaluation procedures, or appropriate grading, may appeal the final grade given in the course. The burden of proof is upon the student to demonstrate the appropriateness of the appeal. A student with a complaint about a grade is encouraged to first discuss the matter with the instructor. For complete details, including the responsibilities of the parties involved in the process and the number of days allowed for completing the steps in the process, see University Rule 13.02.99.C2, Student Grade Appeals, and University Procedure 13.02.99.C2.01, Student Grade Appeal Procedures. These documents are accessible through the University Rules Web site at http://www.tamucc.edu/provost/university_rules/index.html. For assistance and/or guidance in the grade appeal process, students may contact the Office of Student Affairs.

Disabilities Accommodations

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights protection for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please call or visit Disability Services at (361) 825-5816 in Corpus Christi Hall, Room 116.

If you are a returning veteran and are experiencing cognitive and/or physical access issues in the classroom or on campus, please contact the Disability Services office for assistance at (361) 825-5816.