Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi  
Department of Music  
MUSI 1306: Understanding and Enjoying Music Dr. Carrie Pierce  
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Course Description:  
This is a course for the non-music major. The course will concentrate on the study of selected music literature of contrasting styles and forms with emphasis on listening and understanding music. This satisfies the university core curriculum requirement in Fine Arts.

Text and Materials:  
Required Text: “The Enjoyment of Music” by Kristine Forney and Joseph Machlis (Essential Listening)  
The Enjoyment of Music 2 ND Edition also accepted. Cost: NEW $102 Used $12-17 (on Amazon)  
Authors are Forney, Dell’Antonio and Machlis.

Student Learning Outcomes:  
1. To understand the elements of music and how they contribute to the creation of distinctive musical styles.  
2. To understand the major style periods in Western Art Music in terms of their dates, important musical styles and genres, major musical developments and principal composers.  
3. To understand the social, political and economic environment of a society that influences the creation and performance of music.  
4. To understand the major styles of music from Nonwestern cultures in terms of their elements, historical background and location.  
5. To understand the major styles of American popular music in terms of their dates, important musical styles and genres, major musical developments and principal performers.  
6. To apply the musical terminology and knowledge gained in the course to both in-class and concert experiences through individual and group work.

Grading:  
There will be daily quizzes. Also required will be two concert reaction papers, a midterm exam, and a final exam.  
Quizzes (including reports) 50%  
Concert Papers 15%
Mid Term 15%
Final exam 20%
Missed quizzes: Only a doctor's excuse will allow makeup of a daily quiz. Do not miss class.

Testing:
Each quiz is designed to review the assigned chapters. It is important to keep good notes on all class discussions. All quizzes, (including group reviews) will count 50% of the total class grade. I encourage you to participate in class discussions. The nature of most class assignments will be taken from the text. Some questions on quizzes will be taken from class lectures and will not necessarily be found in the text.
Midterm: Date TBA; Final: Date TBA
Concert reports (two, one due before midterm, one after)

Attendance:
Every class is essential, and attendance is necessary for success.

ACADEMIC STATEMENTS

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. Degree plans are prepared in the CLA Academic Advising Center. The University uses an online Degree Audit system. Any amendment must be approved by the Department Chair and the Office of the Dean. All courses and requirements specified in the final degree plan audit must be completed before a degree will be granted. The CLA Academic Advising Office is located in Driftwood #203. For more information please call 361-825-3466.

Grade Appeals
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