Objective: The purpose of this course is to present the basics of classical guitar technique and note reading. Other topics discussed will be basic chords and progressions, common strumming patterns and scales. By the end of the semester we will:

- Be able to read all notes in the first position
- Execute proper classical guitar technique
- Perform various styles of music, including; classical, blues, rock, and country
- Memorize basic chords and progressions

This is a “hands on” course. There will be no written work. We will be practicing in class as a group and individually. A minimum of 30 minutes of practice per day outside of class is expected.

Required Materials: An acoustic guitar in good working order
(A nylon string guitar is preferred)
An extra set of strings
A classical guitar footrest
A notebook and pencil

Recommended Materials: An electronic tuner
A metronome

Grading Policy: Attendance/participation 80 % (after four unexcused absences a letter grade will be dropped for each absence)
Midterm Exam 10% (performance of a piece of music)

Final Exam 10% (performance of a piece of music)

Campus Statements:

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.

NOTICE TO STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES
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 Driftwood 101.
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

GRADE APPEALS PROCESS: Students who feel that they have not been held to appropriate academic standards as outlined in this class syllabus, equitable evaluation procedures, or appropriate grading, may appeal the final grade given in the course. A student with a complaint about a grade is encouraged to first discuss the matter with the instructor. For complete details on the process of submitting a formal grade appeal, please visit the College of Liberal Arts website, cla.tamucc.edu/students/studentinfo.html. For assistance and/or guidance in the grade appeal process, students may contact the Associate Dean.