Brass Ensemble (Trumpet)
MUSI 1135 001
Spring 2019 Schedule and Policies

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Office Hours: As posted at CA 135
Meets: Fridays, noon – 2pm in CA 127

Course Description:
Brass Ensemble (Trumpet) is open to any trumpet playing music major. Non-majors are required to audition. This course will emphasize the development of characteristic trumpet section sound, chamber music aesthetics, and fundamentals of technique.

Attendance/Absence Policy:
Attendance is required at all rehearsals and performances. A student will be dropped from Brass Ensemble (Trumpet) after two unexcused absences. Late arrival or absence at a performance will result in a failing grade for the course.

Grading:
Grading is based on attendance, rehearsal attitude, and improvement. Those students who attend all rehearsals and performances, maintain a positive attitude in all rehearsals, and learn all of the required music will receive an A in the course. Failure to learn the music will result in a lower grade. One absence equals one letter grade lower.

Performances:
We will be performing on the Trumpet Studio Recital on Wednesday, April 10th, at 6:15pm. We may schedule performances throughout the semester, including performances at local schools. The instructor will always notify the students two weeks in advance and confirm that the date is open with the ensemble members. Performance dress code: Dress slacks, shirt and tie for men, long dress or dress slacks for women.

Course Objectives/Rehearsal Procedures:
The trumpet ensemble will rehearse on Friday afternoons from noon-2pm. Additional rehearsal times will be agreed upon as needed by instructor and ensemble members. For exact rehearsal times, repertoire, and performance announcements, see the TRUMPET bulletin board at CA 135.

1) At the end of this course students will have improved intonation.
2) This course will provide valuable experience in performing in time, and in cohesive style.
3) Students will learn to lead a trumpet section and follow within a section.
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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 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.

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.

Dropping a Class
I hope that you never find it necessary to drop this or any other class. However, events can sometimes occur that make dropping a course necessary or wise. Please consult with your academic advisor, the Financial Aid Office, and me, before you decide to drop this course. Should dropping the course be the best course of action, you must initiate the process to drop the course by going to the Student Services Center and filling out a course drop form. Just stopping attendance and participation WILL NOT automatically result in your being dropped from the class.

Grade Appeals
As stated in University Procedure 13.02.99.C2.03, 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 Procedure 13.02.99.C2.03, Student Grade Appeals. These documents are accessible online at: http://academicaffairs.tamucc.edu/rules_procedures/assets/13.02.99.C0.03_student_grade_appeals.pdf. For assistance and/or guidance in the grade appeal process, students may contact the Associate Dean’s office in the college in which the course is taught. For complete details on the process of submitting a formal grade appeal in CLA, please visit the College of Liberal Arts website, http://cla.tamucc.edu/about/student-resources.html.
**Classroom/professional behavior**

Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi, as an academic community, requires that each individual respect the needs of others to study and learn in a peaceful atmosphere. Under Article III of the Student Code of Conduct, classroom behavior that interferes with either (a) the instructor’s ability to conduct the class or (b) the ability of other students to profit from the instructional program may be considered a breach of the peace and is subject to disciplinary sanction outlined in article VII of the Student Code of Conduct. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior may be instructed to leave the classroom. This prohibition applies to all instructional forums, including classrooms, electronic classrooms, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc.

**Academic Integrity/Plagiarism**

University students are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with the highest standards of academic honesty. Academic misconduct for which a student is subject to penalty includes all forms of cheating, such as illicit possession of examinations or examination materials, falsification, forgery, complicity or plagiarism. (Plagiarism is the presentation of the work of another as one’s own work.) In this class, academic misconduct or complicity in an act of academic misconduct on an assignment or test will result in failure of the course.