Syllabus:

MUSI 4191
Pedagogy of the Major Performing Area

Lit Pedagogy of the Major Performing Area is designed to provide an opportunity for upper division undergraduate voice majors to gain a basic knowledge of resources and pedagogical approaches used in voice teaching at various levels, and to develop a familiarity with appropriate repertoire. Students select specific pedagogical topics on which they prepare written projects and make presentations in class. In addition, a paper presenting the student’s personal perspective on various aspects of playing and teaching voice will be submitted at the end of the semester.

COURSE GOAL
To provide an opportunity for upper division undergraduate trumpet majors to gain a basic knowledge to develop a familiarity with major pedagogical approaches used in teaching voice at various levels.

OBJECTIVES
* Become familiar with vocal instructional materials and teaching methodologies.
* Develop an awareness of pedagogical practices through observing and describing the teaching of experienced professionals.
* Develop a knowledge base to serve as a foundation for increased understanding of vocal teaching practices and performance.
* Prepare a document expressing your present understanding of the fundamental elements of vocal performance and teaching.

COURSE DESCRIPTION
This course is intended to help prepare voice students to successfully teach voice to intermediate and advanced students. Emphasis is on gaining knowledge about important vocal teaching methodologies, and developing a familiarity with pedagogical literature, teaching repertoire, and appropriate repertoire for the voice.

REQUIREMENTS
It is expected that students will complete written projects, make presentations to the class, and compile notebooks on a selected topic in the following areas:

• Pedagogical – teaching methods and practices, or study materials and teaching repertoire

GRADING PROCEDURES
At the beginning of the semester class will meet and discuss your interests and decide upon the projects you will research. The grade you earn will be a reflection of the quality and comprehensiveness of your projects/presentations and your final Vocal pedagogy document. There is no final exam, and the final pedagogy document is due at the scheduled examination.
time. Students should select specific topics of interest. Examples possible project topic ideas/suggestions include:

- Materials, graded by difficulty or technical content
- Psychological approaches for successful performance
- Intonation tendencies, problems and solutions
- Warmups and daily routines
- Performance anxiety issues and solutions
- Medical issues related to singing performance
- Language resources for singers including Diction and modifications.

**GRADING**

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Last day to drop is Oct. 31st.
Final is scheduled for Wed. Dec. 11th at 3:30 – 5:30 PM

**University Honor Code**
Angelo State University expects its students to maintain complete honesty and integrity in their academic pursuits. Students are responsible for understanding the Academic Honor Code, which is contained both in print and web versions of the Student Handbook.

**ADA Compliance**
Persons with disabilities which may warrant academic accommodations must contact the Student Life Office, Room 112 University Center, in order to request such accommodations prior to any accommodations being implemented. You are encouraged to make this request early in the semester so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

1. **“Religious holy day”** means a holy day observed by a religion whose places of worship are exempt from property taxation under Texas Tax Code §11.20.
2. A student who intends to observe a religious holy day should make that intention known in writing to the instructor prior to the absence. A student who is absent from classes for the observance of a religious holy day shall be allowed to take an examination or complete an assignment scheduled for that day within a reasonable time after the absence.
3. A student who is excused under section 2 may not be penalized for the absence; however, the instructor may respond appropriately if the student fails to complete the assignment satisfactorily.
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Angelo State University is committed to providing and strengthening an educational, working, and living environment where students, faculty, staff, and visitors are free from sex discrimination of any kind. In accordance with Title VII, Title IX, the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), the Campus Sexual Violence Elimination Act (SaVE), and other federal and state laws, the University prohibits discrimination based on sex, which includes pregnancy, and other types of Sexual Misconduct. Sexual Misconduct is a broad term encompassing all forms of gender-based harassment or discrimination and unwelcome behavior of a sexual nature. The term includes sexual harassment, nonconsensual sexual contact, nonconsensual sexual intercourse, sexual assault, sexual exploitation, stalking, public indecency, interpersonal violence (domestic violence or dating violence), sexual violence, and any other misconduct based on sex.
You are encouraged to report any incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Office of Title IX Compliance and the Director of Title IX Compliance/Title IX Coordinator, Michelle Boone, J.D. You may submit reports in the following manner:
**Online:** [www.angelo.edu/incident-form](http://www.angelo.edu/incident-form)
**Face to Face:** Mayer Administration Building, Room 210
**Phone:** 325-942-2022
**E-Mail:** michelle.boone@angelo.edu

Note, as a faculty member at Angelo State, I am a mandatory reporter and must report incidents involving sexual misconduct to the Title IX Coordinator. Should you wish to speak to someone in confidence about an issue, you may contact the University Counseling Center (325-942-2371), the 24-Hour Crisis Helpline (325-486-6345), or the University Health Clinic (325-942-2171).

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