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Course Description:

Study of principles and techniques of private and public performance on violin or viola at the sophomore level. Detailed study of scales, etudes and the music of different composers, periods and styles. Course may be repeated for credit. Open to music majors only.

Course Content:

Development and understanding of the fundamentals of good musicianship, including: body posture, instrument position, left hand principles, finger placement, accidentals, vibrato, bow hold, sound production, bow strokes, intonation, phrasing, tone production and dynamics through the study of selected repertoire. Development of practice routine and strategies that lead to a successful performance.

Course Objectives:

- Develop good musicianship.
- Develop creative and critical thinking.
- Develop and understand technical aspects of playing a stringed instrument.
- Successfully perform some of the selected repertoire in a studio class or recital.

Course Requirements and Expectations:

- Attendance is required for this course. Any absences should be informed at least 24 hours in advance. Special cases will be analyzed individually.
- Students are expected to participate by actively playing their instruments and other learning activities.
- Students are expected to practice their instruments at least 2 hours daily. That does not count time spent on rehearsals or performances.

Grading

Lesson Grade (30%) - Students will receive a grade for each lesson (0-10), based on their readiness for the lesson. You are expected to be **on time** and **warmed up** for your lesson.

Live Performances (30%) - Each student is required to perform at least 1 time in a Studio Class and 1 time in the Student Recital. Freshman may be excused from performing in a Student Recital but MUST perform in Studio Class.

Final playing exam (30%) - Consists of a playing exam with selected repertoire and techniques from course material. Music minors will perform to a faculty jury panel during finals week.

Attendance (10%) - Students are expected to attend to all lessons and studio classes. Each unexcused absence will lower your grade by 5 points. Two absences imply a lower letter grade at the end of the semester.

Studio class

Studio class will meet weekly on Mondays at 3:00 pm in the Eldon Black Recital Hall. Attendance is required for all string majors and minor. Unexcused absences and tardiness will be treated the same way as in private lessons. Punctuality is very important in the music world. You are expected to be **on time** and **warmed up** for your lesson *and* studio class.

Other Required Events:

Include events such as your instructors' performances, guest artist masterclasses and recitals within your applied area, Junior and Senior Recitals by your studio colleagues, and other events assigned by the studio professor.

Accompanists:

Public performance (student recital, jury, etc.) of any accompanied piece MUST INCLUDE the accompaniment. If you choose **NOT** to use the staff accompanist, it is your financial responsibility to engage an accompanist of your choice and inform your applied instructor of your choice. You must rehearse with your accompanist at least once before playing the piece in a lesson for your applied instructor.

Maintain a professional relationship with any accompanist and fulfill your financial obligation to them in a timely manner. This applies when you are using a non-staff accompanist.

Failure to follow these guidelines falls into the category of 'professionalism' under Studio Grade and may adversely affect your final semester Studio Grade; plan accordingly.

Practice:

Daily practice time must be scheduled as though it is another class. Write it in your calendar and treat it as an important daily routine. Practice must not be an afterthought or something that is done *IF* you get done with your homework and work schedule. *Practicing must take precedence over any homework or work schedule you may have*.

It is expected, **WITHOUT CONDITION**, that students practice a minimum of **TWO HOURS** each day. This does not include time spent in rehearsals.

Value statement:

The music faculty believes that students cannot expect to teach what they themselves cannot demonstrate. Students will be expected to achieve proficiency on their respective instruments. As a result, the student must ensure that his/her instrument takes top priority in his/her music studies. Successful professional educators are also successful performers.

Student Disability Services

ASU is committed to the principle that no qualified individual with a disability shall, on the basis of disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs or activities of the university, or be subjected to discrimination by the university, as provided by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments of 2008 (ADAAA) and subsequent legislation.

Student Disability Services is located in the Office of Student Affairs, and is the designated campus department charged with the responsibility of reviewing and authorizing requests for reasonable accommodations based on a disability. It is the student's responsibility to initiate such a request by contacting an employee of the Office of Student Affairs, in the Houston Harte University Center, Room 112, or contacting the department via email at ADA@angelo.edu. For more information about the application process and requirements, visit the Student Disability Services website at www.angelo.edu/ADA.

Official ASU Policy on Religious Holiday absence exemptions:

A student who intends to observe a religious holy day should make that intention known in writing to the instructor prior to the absence. See ASU Operating Policy 10.19 Student Absence for Observance of Religious Holy Day for more information.

Title IX

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

Face to Face: Mayer Administration Building, Room 210

Phone: 325-942-2022

Email: 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).

For more information about resources related to sexual misconduct, Title IX, or Angelo State's policy please visit: www.angelo.edu/title-ix.

Incomplete Grade Policy

It is policy that incomplete grades be reserved for student illness or personal misfortune. Please contact faculty if you have serious illness or a personal misfortune that would keep you from completing course work. Documentation may be required. See ASU Operating Policy 10.11 <u>Grading Procedures</u> for more information.

Academic Integrity

Students are expected to maintain complete honesty and integrity in all work. Any student found guilty of any form of dishonesty in academic work is subject of disciplinary action and possible expulsion from ASU.

The College of Science and Engineering adheres to the Statement of Academic Integrity

Plagiarism

Plagiarism is a serious topic covered in ASU's <u>Academic Integrity policy</u> in the Student Handbook. Plagiarism is the action or practice of taking someone else's work, idea, etc., and passing it off as one's own. Plagiarism is literary theft.

In your discussions and/or your papers, it is unacceptable to copy word-for-word without quotation marks and the source of the quotation. It is expected that you will summarize or paraphrase ideas giving appropriate credit to the source both in the body of your paper and the reference list.

Papers are subject to be evaluated for originality via Turnitin. Resources to help you understand this policy better are available at the <u>ASU Writing Center</u>.

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