

South Plains College
Department of Fine Arts

Jazz Band

MUEN 1129,2129

Course Syllabus – Fall 2020

Meeting time

Monday/Wednesday 1:00pm-2:15pm, FA 114

Director

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Office hours

As posted on office door and on Blackboard

Objectives

Student musicians will develop and demonstrate sound ensemble playing skills and knowledge of the jazz idiom through rehearsal, study, and performance of ensemble compositions in a variety of jazz styles.

Expectations

Students are expected to show up to all rehearsals/performances at the agreed upon time. Individual parts are to be prepared in the students' own practice time so that rehearsals are efficient and effective. Members of this ensemble are representatives of South Plains College and the Department of Fine Arts and as such shall adhere to all codes of conduct defined in the SPC student handbook.

Attendance

Unexcused absences will not be tolerated. If a student is unable to attend any Jazz Band rehearsal or performance, it is his or her obligation to notify the director as soon as possible.

Grading

Students will receive a grade based on their participation and preparation for bi-weekly rehearsals as well as scheduled performances.

Scholarships

Student participation scholarships are awarded to all students in this ensemble. As a requirement of this scholarship, students in the Jazz Band will also be enrolled in lessons at SPC on their primary instrument. Scholarship awards may be withdrawn if a student does not fulfill the obligations required of students in this ensemble or withdraws from the course prematurely.

COVID-19

If you are experiencing any of the following symptoms, please do not attend class and either seek medical attention or get tested for COVID-19.

- Cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing
- Fever or chills
- Muscles or body aches
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- New loss of taste and smell

Please also notify DeEtte Edens, BSN, RN, Associate Director of Health & Wellness, at dedens@southplainscollege.edu or 806-716-2376.

South Plains College Statements

SPC Disabilities Statement

Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Disability Services Office early in the semester so that the appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Disability Services Office. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland (Student Health & Wellness Office) 806-716-2577, Reese Center (Building 8) 806-716-4675, or Plainview Center (Main Office) 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611 or visit <http://www.southplainscollege.edu/health/disabilityservices.php>.

Non-Discrimination Statement

South Plains College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Vice President for Student Affairs, South Plains College, 1401 College Avenue, Box 5, Levelland, TX 79336. Phone number 806-716-2360.

Diversity Statement

In this class, the teacher will establish and support an environment that values and nurtures individual and group differences and encourages engagement and interaction. Understanding and respecting multiple experiences and perspectives will serve to challenge and stimulate all of us to learn about others, about the larger world and about ourselves. By promoting diversity and intellectual exchange, we will not only mirror society as it is, but also model society as it should and can be.

Title IX Pregnancy Accommodations Statement

If you are pregnant, or have given birth within six months, Under Title IX you have a right to reasonable accommodations to help continue your education. To activate accommodations you must submit a Title IX pregnancy accommodations request, along with specific medical documentation, to the Director of Health and Wellness. Once approved, notification will be sent to the student and instructors. It is the student's responsibility to work with the instructor to arrange accommodations. Contact the Director of Health and Wellness at 806-716-2362 or email cgilster@southplainscollege.edu for assistance.