

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE
SYLLABUS

MUS 100L1 Private Music Lesson Level 1
Credit Hours: 0.5 cr./1.0 cr., 30/60 private music lesson per week

PREREQUISITE: instructor permission required

COURSE DESCRIPTION

First semester applied music individual lesson course designed to develop college-level performing skills on the student's instrument or voice. This course is required for music majors completing the A.A. in Music.

1. COURSE GOALS

The lessons provide one-on-one instruction with the goal of improving a student's technical and musical skills.

- 1.1 Prepare the student for transfer to a four-year university program.
- 1.2 Teach the etiquette for performing.
- 1.3 Teach the basic performance skills of breathing, good posture, and technical facility.
- 1.4 Build a basic repertoire of etudes, songs, and solo pieces for performance during auditions, recitals, juries, and, when appropriate, concert performance.

2. OUTCOMES

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 2.1 demonstrate a strong, secure (1) vocal technique, (2) instrumental embouchure, or (3) rudimental percussion technique.
- 2.2 demonstrate clear and precise instrumental articulation or vocal diction.
- 2.3 control and refine tone production over the range of the instrument or voice.
- 2.4 demonstrate technical proficiency and flexibility.
- 2.5 demonstrate accurate intonation.
- 2.6 demonstrate a refined concept of musical interpretation and sophisticated knowledge of different musical styles.
- 2.7 perform prepared songs, scales, or other materials as directed by the instructor for the final exam (jury) to be heard in front of the music faculty.

3. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

- 3.1 Demonstration/Lecture (one-on-one private lesson)
- 3.2 Aural and visual observation during lessons
- 3.3 Working with accompaniments and accompanists
- 3.4 Listening to and, if appropriate, emulating recordings
- 3.5 Required course materials will take the form of solos, method books, and etude books.

4. LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- 4.1 An individual lesson will be provided each week of the semester.
- 4.2 Scales, etudes, solos, and method books will be used for instruction.
- 4.3 Sight-reading exercises and duets will augment other study materials.

5. EVALUATION

- 5.1 Grades will be earned by an assortment of learning activities, exams, assignments, and participation.
- 5.2 Please see the instructor's class schedule and assignment sheet for more information.

6. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 Under AWC Policy, students are expected to attend every session of class in which they are enrolled.
- 6.2 Classroom Assignments: Students are responsible for work missed and for completing all work before the next class meeting. Students are responsible for participating in all oral drills and for taking all exams.
- 6.3 If a student is unable to attend the course or must drop the course for any reason, it will be the responsibility of the student to withdraw from the course. Students who are not attending as of the 45th day of the course may be withdrawn by the instructor. If the student does not withdraw from the course and fails to complete the requirements of the course, the student will receive a failing grade.
- 6.4 Americans with Disabilities Act Accommodations: Arizona Western College provides academic accommodations to students with disabilities through AccessABILITY Resource Services (ARS). ARS provides reasonable and appropriate accommodations to students who have documented disabilities. It is the responsibility of the student to make the ARS Coordinator aware of the need for accommodations in the classroom prior to the beginning of the semester. Students should follow up with their instructors once the semester begins. To make an appointment call the ARS front desk at (928) 344-7674 or ARS Coordinator at (928) 344-7629, in the College Community Center (3C) building, next to Advising.
- 6.5 Academic Integrity: Any student participating in acts of academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, copying the work of other students, using unauthorized "crib notes", plagiarism, stealing tests, or forging an instructor's signature—will be subject to the procedures and consequences outlined in AWC's Student Code of Conduct.
- 6.6 Textbooks and materials: Students are required to bring notebook or looseleaf book, pens, pencils, dictionaries, and purchase textbook required for class.
- 6.7 Arizona Western College students are expected to attend every class session in which they are enrolled. To comply with Federal Financial Aid regulations (34 CFR 668.21), Arizona Western College (AWC) has established an Attendance Verification process for "No Show" reporting during the first 10 days of each semester.
Students who have enrolled but have never attended class may be issued a "No Show" (NS) grade by the professor or instructor and receive a final grade of "NS" on their official academic record. An NS grade may result in a student losing their federal financial aid.
For online classes, *student attendance in an online class is defined as the following* (FSA Handbook, 2012, 5-90):
 - Submitting an academic assignment
 - Taking an exam, an interactive tutorial or computer-assisted instruction
 - Attending a study group that is assigned by the school
 - Participating in an online discussion about academic matters
 - Initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a question about the academic subject studied in the course