Course Description
This course focuses on improving individual singing and the understanding of vocal technique as well as learning vocal repertoire.

Course Materials/Supplies Needed
Pencil and a notebook, folder, or binder to keep music. Repertoire will be selected according to individual needs.

Course Objectives
This course focuses on improving individual singing and the understanding of vocal technique as well as learning vocal repertoire.
Course goals are highly individual and based on each student’s vocal abilities and challenges. Goals will be discussed with the student at the beginning of the semester and throughout the semester as feedback is given in each lesson.

Student Learning Outcomes
After successful completion of this course the student should be able to:
• Develop vocal technique and knowledge of vocal production
• Demonstrate musical and interpretive competency on vocal repertoire.
• Become as comfortable as possible in performing for others
• Compare and contrast the different musical periods and styles as they relate to assigned vocal repertoire.
Course Outline
Practice expectations:
Daily practice is expected. For a 2 hour credit, 10 hours per week are required.

Evaluation Procedures
Preparation and performance: 80%
Final jury: 20%

Students will be evaluated at each lesson by the instructor and given a participation grade based on completion of assignments and lesson participation. Additionally, students are required to sing at recitals and juries for a grade.
NOTE: At the end of each lesson, you will be given your assignments for the next lesson. Make sure to write them down and have all of them complete in order to receive good participation grades.

Grading Scale
Total 100%
A = 90-100%
B = 80-89%
C = 70-79%
D = 60-69%
F = 59% and below

The instructor will not round up grades for this course. For instance, a final grade of 89.9% is a B, and will not be rounded up to an A. The instructor will never e-mail a grade or give that information over the phone.

General Grading Standards
A: The student is prepared for lessons and has corrected everything mentioned and worked on in previous lessons.

B: The student is mostly prepared for lessons with the exception of a few aspects of performance being uncorrected.

C: The student consistently needs to be reminded about past mistakes and does not show acceptable progress from week to week.

D: The student does not show much progress from week to week and has not prepared the assignment completely

F: The student does not show any progress, does not complete assignments, and frequently misses lessons.

Instructor Attendance Policy
Students are expected to attend all classes. Students have the responsibility to attend class and to consult with the instructor when an absence occurs. If for some reason you must leave class early, you should inform the instructor prior to the start of class of your reason for leaving early. If missing class for ANY REASON, including doctor visits or work commitments, the student must e-mail the instructor that information. If it is not in e-mail form, it will not be considered an excused absence. NO EXCEPTIONS.
Because this is an applied class, attendance is essential and participation is the major part of your grade. You cannot participate or receive instruction if you are not present. Lessons missed due to student absences will not be made up.

Students must begin attendance in all classes of enrollment. No exceptions. Financial Aid will not be granted to students who have been certified as not attending, by the certification date. For this lecture course, your physical participation in class, on or before the certification date will allow you to receive credit for FA purposes.

Certification Procedures

THE CERTIFICATION DATE FOR THIS COURSE IS 2/7/15. Students who are not certified as beginning class are responsible for any payments due as a result of non-certification, to include the dropping of courses.

Withdrawal Policy (DROP DATE IS 4/20/15)

If you are unable to complete this course, it is your responsibility to withdraw formally. The withdrawal request must be received in the Registrar’s Office by 4/20/2015. Failure to do so will result in your receiving a performance grade, usually an “F.” Students often drop courses when help is available that would enable them to continue. Please discuss your plans with your instructor if you feel the need to withdraw. If you drop a class or withdraw from the college before the official drop/withdrawal deadline, you will receive a "W" (Withdraw) in each class dropped.

Late Work Policy

No late work is accepted. Lessons missed by the student receive a participation grade of zero. Students are encouraged to swap lesson times with other students when conflicts or illnesses arise to minimize missed lessons.

Makeup Exam Policy

There are no makeup recital or jury performances. Lessons missed due to student absences will not be made up. Lessons missed due to instructor absence will be made up.

Electronic Devices

Students are expected to silence and/or turn off all cell phones, electronic devices and pagers during class time.

Academic Dishonesty

Students that caught plagiarizing an assignment will be subject to an “F” in the course and possible expulsion from the college. Academic honesty is expected, and integrity is valued in the Dallas County Community Colleges. Scholastic dishonesty is a violation of the Code of Student Conduct. Scholastic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating on a test, plagiarism, and collusion. As a college student, you are considered a responsible adult. Your enrollment indicates acceptance of the DCCCD Code of Student Conduct published in the DCCCD Catalog. More information is available at https://www1.dcccd.edu/catalog/ss/code.cfm.

Institution Policies

Please visit http://www.mountainviewcollege.edu/ for a complete list of institutional policies (Stop Before You Drop; Withdrawal Policy; Repeating a Course; Financial Aid; Academic Honesty; Americans with Disabilities Act Statement; Religious Holidays; and Campus Emergency Operation Plan and Contingency Plan.).
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<td>Stop Before You Drop</td>
<td>For students who enrolled in college level courses for the first time in the Fall of 2007, Texas Education Code 51.907 limits the number of courses a student may drop. You may drop no more than 6 courses during your entire undergraduate career, unless the drop qualifies as an exception. Your campus counseling/advising center will give you more information on the allowable exceptions. Remember that once you have accumulated 6 non-exempt drops, you cannot drop any other courses with a “W.” Therefore, please exercise caution when dropping courses in any Texas Public Institution of higher learning, including all seven of the Dallas County Community Colleges. For more information, you may access: <a href="https://econnect.dcccd.edu/eConnect/droppingfacts.html">https://econnect.dcccd.edu/eConnect/droppingfacts.html</a></td>
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<td>Repeating a Course</td>
<td>Effective for Fall Semester 2005, the Dallas County Community Colleges will charge additional tuition to students registering the third or subsequent time for a course. This class may not be repeated for the third or subsequent time without paying the additional tuition. Third attempts include courses taken at any of the Dallas County Community Colleges since the Fall 2002 semester. More information is available at: <a href="http://www.dcccd.edu/pc/cost/3rdcrseattmpt/Pages/default.aspx">http://www.dcccd.edu/pc/cost/3rdcrseattmpt/Pages/default.aspx</a></td>
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<td>Financial Aid will not be granted to students who have been certified as not attending by the certification date. In lecture classes, students must attend class prior to the certification date. Online students should follow the certification procedures as noted within the class syllabus. For certification dates, check with the division or FAO for further information. Students, who are not certified as beginning class, are responsible for any payments due as a result of non-certification, to include the dropping of courses. Students who are receiving any form of financial aid should check with the Financial Aid Office prior to withdrawing from classes. Withdrawals may affect your eligibility to receive further aid and could cause you to be in a position of repayment for the current semester. Students who fail to attend or participate after the drop date are also subject to this policy. If you are receiving financial aid grants or loans, you must begin attendance in all classes. Do not drop or stop attending any class without consulting the Financial Aid Office. Changes in your enrollment level and failing grades may require that you repay financial aid funds.</td>
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<td>Mountain View College and the Office of Special Services are committed to upholding the laws and the spirit of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) signed in 1990.</td>
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<td>Absences for observance of a religious holy day are excused. A student whose absence is excused to observe a religious holy day is allowed to take a make-up examination or complete an assignment within a reasonable time after the absence.</td>
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<td>Campus Emergency Operation Plan and Contingency Plan.</td>
<td>Mountain View College has developed policies and procedures for dealing with emergencies that may occur on campus. A synopsis of emergency procedures can be found at: <a href="http://www.mountainviewcollege.edu/business/police/Pages/emergencyprocedureenglish.aspx">http://www.mountainviewcollege.edu/business/police/Pages/emergencyprocedureenglish.aspx</a>. Contingency Plan: Mountain View College has developed an Instructional Contingency Plan for Temporary College Closing for On-Campus Courses. Please discuss this contingency plan with your instructor. For distance learning courses, your instructor will use email to contact students in the event of extended technology downtime. To assure work in the class continues, it is important for all students to have an accurate email address recorded in both eCampus and eConnect.</td>
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