Piano Class II
MUSI 1182 63201
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Credit Hours: 1 Semester Hours
Division: Science, Nursing, Arts/Humanities and PE

Course Description:
Second semester of a four-semesters sequence designed to develop basic keyboard and musicianship skills including technique, sight reading, harmonization, accompaniment, theory, and piano repertoire.

Course Pre-requisites:
Piano Class I - MUSI 1181 or approval from Professor Soto and/or Professor Kaan.

Course Materials/Supplies Needed

Course Objectives / Student Learning Outcomes
Upon successful completion of this course, the students should be able to:

Develop keyboard technique and knowledge of keyboard skills and patterns which foster a practical understanding of music rudiments and harmony.

Develop skill in reading keyboard music accurately and musically through exercises designed to build visual and aural familiarity with piano score idioms.

Encourage creativity and freedom at the keyboard through learning specific piano repertoire.

Play major scales, two octaves, hands together.

Develop listening and rhythm skills through specific exercises.

Transpose a given piece into different key, hands together.

Identify any major key from its key signature.
Build any major/minor scale.

Play tonic, subdominant, and dominant triads in any major/minor keys.

Play simple accompaniments with fluency.

Perform selected solos from specific piano repertoire.

Demonstrate technical facility by playing different keyboard patterns.

Show harmonization skills by performing specific studies.

**Course Outline:**

- Chapter 6 - THE DOMINANT CHORDS
- Chapter 7 - THE SUBDOMINANT CHORDS
- Chapter 8 - MINOR SCALES AND KEY SIGNATURES
- Chapter 9 - MODES / SEVENTH CHORDS
- Chapter 11 - SECONDARY CHORDS IN MAJOR

**Evaluation Procedures:**

1- Two exams. 2x20PTS = 40PTS

2- One final exam. 25PTS

3- Class Participation. 15PTS

4- Class Work / Quizzes. 20PTS

**Practice:**

Practice facilities are available in the Music Department during regular school hours. Students are recommended to practice 4 hours a week outside of class. It is preferred to separate these hours into 30 minute segments.

**Extra Credit:**

Extra credit can be obtained by attending performances of the Mountain View College Concert Series.

Attend a concert and write a reaction paper 1 page long, double-spaced.

Please attach the program or ticket of the attended concert with your paper.

Take your time and think about how you will describe the concert in musical terms.

Each concert is worth 2% of final grade. Maximum extra credit 6% of final grade.
Instructor Attendance Policy:
Each student is allowed 2 absences (for any reason) during the semester. Each absence thereafter will result in a drop of 5% from the final grade. Students are responsible for assignments missed when not in class.

Promptness is the standard for this class. If you enter class late, please do so with the least amount of disruption possible. If you are tardy, you are not credited for attendance unless you ask me personally to modify the attendance roll. Excessive tardiness will result in a low class participation grade.

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. 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.

Grading Scale:
A: 90 - 100  
B: 80 - 89  
C: 70 - 79  
D: 60 – 69  
F: 59 - 0

Late Work Policy:
Late assignments will receive a 10% grade deduction per day late.

Makeup Exam Policy:
There are NO MAKE-UPS for missed exams. However, I can make an exception but you MUST SEE ME IMMEDIATELY upon your return and bring with you written evidence that what you told me in your message was indeed true (this includes funerals, doctor appointments, car problems, court appearances, etc.). In other cases, if an emergency arises and you cannot take the scheduled exam, it may be possible for you to take the exam early. Please note however, that the decision to give an exam early is the instructor’s and that decision will be determined on an individual basis.

Withdrawal Policy:
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 APRIL 16, 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.

STOP BEFORE YOU DROP
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: https://www1.dcccd.edu/6drop

**Cell phones, electronic devices and pagers:**
Students are expected to turn off all cell phones, electronic devices, and pagers during class time.

**Repeating This Course:**
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: https://www1.dcccd.edu/cat0506/ss/oep/third_attempt.cfm.

**Financial Aid:**
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 class, your physical participation in class, on or before the certification date, will allow you to receive credit for FA purposes. 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.

**The Texas Success Initiative (TSI)**
The Texas Success Initiative (TSI) is a statewide program designed to ensure that students enrolled in Texas public colleges and universities have the basic academic skills needed to be successful in college-level course work. The TSI requires assessment, remediation (if necessary), and advising of students who attend a public college or university in the state of Texas. The program assesses a student's basic academic skills in reading, writing, and math. Passing the assessment is a prerequisite for enrollment in many college level classes. Students who do not meet assessment standards may complete prerequisite requirements by taking developmental courses in the deficient area and passing them with a grade of C or higher. Additional information is available at https://www1.dcccd.edu/cat0506/admiss/tsi_requirements.cfm.

**Academic Honesty:**
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/cat0406/ss/code.cfm.

**ADA Statement:**
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.

**Religious Holidays:**
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.

**Disclaimer Reserving Right to Change Syllabus:**
The instructor reserves the right to amend this syllabus as necessary.

**Inclement Weather Statement:**
In the event of severe weather conditions, please listen to local radio or television stations for information concerning official closing of Mountain View College facilities. You can also call the inclement weather hotline at 214-860-8888, or check for updates on this web site. Decisions for evening classes will be made by 4:00 pm.