Course Description: This course is primarily for students with no piano background. It develops basic musicianship and piano skills. (2 Lab.)

Prerequisite(s): None

Required Materials: Piano 101 Book 1, by E. L Lancaster and Kennon D. Renfrow  ISBN: 978-0739002251  You may purchase this book on Amazon for $22  Select the plastic comb version.  We will be using this book daily in class. Click the Piano 101 link to purchase directly from Amazon.

Course Objectives: Upon successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. Produce five finger patterns in major and minor keys.
2. Play major and minor scales in selected keys.
3. Construct and play chords of different qualities.
4. Harmonize a melody.
5. Perform selected compositions.

ATTENDANCE POLICY
Weekly attendance is mandatory for your success. Additionally, daily practice is required. Practice rooms are free and available for practice between classes. Please ask me to unlock the rooms if you would like to practice. Daily points are given for in class participation.

GRADES
Grades are determined by in class playing quizzes, daily participation and worksheets. You may access information about quiz grading by clicking the Quiz Grading Rubrics link.

Grades are determined by the following:
Daily Participation: 20%
Daily Quizzes/Assignments: 50%
Mid-term/Final: 30%
These numbers are approximate totals depending on the needs of the class.

MAKE UP POLICY
I will allow 2 daily quiz make-ups. It is your responsibility to let me know when you want to use your make-up quizzes. I do not allow more than 2 make-up quizzes. The mid-term and final exam can’t be made up without a documentable and serious situation.

COURSE CALENDAR
Click the Course Calendar link to see important dates and topics.

ACADEMIC WITHDRAWAL POLICY
If you are unable to complete this course, it is your responsibility to withdraw formally. The last day to drop is NOVEMBER 14, 2019. Failure to do so will result in your receiving a performance grade of an “F.” 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.

DISCLAIMER RESERVING RIGHT TO CHANGE SYLLABUS:
The instructor reserves the right to amend this syllabus as necessary to meet the needs of the students and the course objectives.

Institutional Policies
All El Centro students are responsible for knowing and adhering to the following institutional and course-related policies:

www.elcentrocollege.edu/syllabipolicies