2019FA -MUSI-2160-81001

Diction Fall 2019  
Tuesday/Thursday 2:00-2:50  
Wichita Hall, Room 116

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***A detailed syllabus will be distributed during the first week of class and will subsequently be posted on Blackboard.***

Materials:
Required Textbook: Diction for Singers, 2nd Edition by Joan Wall  
ISBN: 9781934477700  
Notebook with pockets, paper, pencil

Course Objective: To gain a working knowledge of English, Italian, French, and German language pronunciation necessary for singing in those languages by speaking, singing and transcribing lyric texts using the International Phonetic Alphabet.

Course Policy:
Attendance is required for every class meeting, Textbook and notebook are required, as well.  
Cell phone use and visibility is prohibited during class. Period.  
There will be no eating during class. Period.  
Richland policy states that food is not allowed in the classroom.  
You may have bottled water with you.  
If you are using your phone or eating in the classroom, you will be dismissed from that class meeting, resulting in an unexcused absence with the accompanying grading consequences.

Homework:
Homework will be assigned as necessary at the end of each class. Assignments are to be completed before the next class meeting. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Attendance:
Attendance is required at every class. The only excused absences will be for school-sanctioned activities or religious holidays. In case of illness or emergency, the instructor must be notified by text message before noon. The decision to excuse the absence or not is the instructor’s prerogative. Two unexcused absences will lower the final average by one letter grade.

Grading:
Students will be evaluated each class meeting for attentiveness and participation. Quizzes will be graded with a number grade. Performances and associated materials will be graded to
reflect the application of the student’s knowledge and understanding of the assigned language diction.

**Grading Scale:**
Attendance and participation .................. 40%
Quizzes (written or oral) ......................... 20%
Projects ............................................ 25%
Final Exam ......................................... 15%

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