

Eastern Oregon University Course Syllabus

Number of Course:

MUS 435

Name of Course:

Applied Composition

Catalog Description:

Individual or small group instruction in musical composition. May be repeated for credit.

Credit Hours:

1

Required Texts or Suggested Materials:

Link to the EOU Bookstore: [Eastern Oregon University Bookstore \(opens in new tab\)](#)

Prerequisites:

Student must have at least junior standing to register for this course.

Learning Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this course, the student should be able to:

- To provide an opportunity for the student to apply all of his or her musical knowledge and creativity to the writing of original musical works.
- To encourage the student to explore and experiment in composing in representative styles (especially twentieth century styles), and to encourage the student to identify and develop his or her own particular compositional style.

Course Requirements:**Grading Policies:****Means of Assessment:**

- Instructor's judgment of quality and creativity manifested in compositions submitted.
- Opinions of other musical faculty may be solicited.
- Instructor's judgment of diligence and effort expended by student in his or her creative efforts.

Brief Outline of Course:

- Individual and/or group discussion and consultation with instructor concerning one's composition in progress.
- Analysis of representative works in unusual compositional styles, as appropriate.
- Attention to particular capabilities, ranges, and limitations of musical instruments or voices involved in student compositions, as necessary.

General Education Category and Outcomes:

NA

University Writing Requirement Outcomes:

NA

Writing Center Statement:

The EOU Writing Center provides a place — physical or virtual — where every EOU student can find an interested, responsive reader. Writing tutorials are free of charge for EOU undergraduate and graduate students and are available for writing at any course level and for writing resumes, job letters, and graduate applications. For drop-in hours or to schedule in-person, synchronous online, or asynchronous online tutoring, please visit the EOU Writing Center: [Writing Center – Eastern Oregon University \(opens in new tab\)](#).

Classroom Decorum:

NA

Academic Misconduct Policy:

Eastern Oregon University places a high value upon the integrity of its student scholars. Any student found responsible for an act of academic misconduct (including but not limited to cheating, unauthorized collaboration, fabrication, facilitation, plagiarism or tampering) may be subject to having his or her grade reduced in the course in question, being placed on probation or suspended from the University, or a combination of these.

Accommodations/Students with Disabilities Policy:

Any student who feels they may need accommodation for any type of disability must contact the Disability Services Office in Loso Hall, Room 233. Phone: 541-962-3081.

Disclaimer:

This standard syllabus provides only general information on the course. For those enrolled in the course a detailed syllabus will be provided by the Instructor at the beginning of the term. Please keep in mind that not all courses are offered every year.

Syllabus Prepared By:**Date:**

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