

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Guitar Maintenance/Repair

Course Abbreviation and Number: MUS 1890 **Credit Hours:** 2 credit hours. **Course Type:** Lecture/Lab

Course Description: With a major course emphasis on guitar maintenance and repair, students will concentrate on proper stringing, tuning, set-up, and maintenance. Electric, acoustic, and MIDI Controller instruments will be considered. Purchase considerations for new and used instruments will be discussed. No previous music or repair experience required. Application to other stringed instruments will be included as appropriate.

No requisites.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Demonstrate a working knowledge of at least one element of music production.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of an overview of structures and terminology for instruments through written examination.
3. Demonstrate an understanding of instrument design and configuration through written examination.
4. Demonstrate a working knowledge of basic setup and adjustments of instruments through projects.
5. Demonstrate a working knowledge of cleaning, conditioning, and maintaining the instrument through written examination and projects.

Topics Covered:

- Overview of structures and terminology for instruments
- Instrument design and configuration
- Proper stringing
- Basic setup and adjustments of instruments (bridge adjustments, nut adjustments, neck adjustments, intonation, string height, fret adjustments)
- Proper instrument conditioning and cleaning

Information for Students

- Expectations of Students
 - [Civility Statement](#)
 - [Student Responsibility Statement](#)
 - [Academic Integrity Statement](#)
- [Accessibility Services](#)
Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.
- [Get Help: JCC & Community Resources](#)
- [Emergency Closing Procedures](#)
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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- Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.

Effective Date: Fall 2021