

**JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**State University of New York**

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**INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS**

**Course Title:** Aural Skills I

**Course Abbreviation and Number:** MUS 1930

**Credit Hours:** 2

**Course Type:** Lecture/Lab

**Course Description:** This course focuses on rhythmic, melodic, and harmonic recognition and dictation, sight reading, solfeggio, and Kodaly hand signals. Students will have access to computer-assisted practice sessions in the theory studio. Strongly recommended for students wishing to improve their musical abilities. No previous musical experience required.

No requisites.

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**Student Learning Outcomes:**

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Demonstrate proper technique in personal musical performance.
2. Demonstrate the ability to perform melodies and rhythms at a level appropriate for Aural Skills I.
3. Demonstrate the ability to sing vocal exercises such as scales and arpeggios at a level appropriate for Aural Skills I.
4. Demonstrate the ability to successfully employ their skills of aural perception in various types of dictation appropriate for Aural Skills I.

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**Topics Covered:**

- Melodies in various keys
- Rhythmic patterns in various meters
- Major and minor scales
- Vocal exercises
- Intervals
- Melodic dictation
- Rhythmic dictation
- Other types of dictation

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**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.

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**Effective Date:** Fall 2021