

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Aural Skills IV

Course Abbreviation and Number: MUS 2940

Credit Hours: 2

Course Type: Lecture/Lab

Course Description: Advanced tonal and atonal dictation and sight singing will be studied in this continuation of MUS 2930.

Prerequisite: MUS 2930.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Demonstrate proper technique in personal musical performance
2. Sight read or sing all melodies and other materials appropriate to the course level utilizing solfeggio and rhythmic syllables where practical.
3. Sing all intervals, scales, modes, chords and patterns appropriate to the course level.
4. Sing rhythmic examples appropriate to the course level.
5. Demonstrate facility with Kodaly hand signals, solfeggio and rhythmic syllable appropriate to the course level.
6. Demonstrate proper vocal technique during singing
7. Play and sing at the keyboard.

Topics Covered:

- Hand signals
- Solfeggio
- Chromatic and whole-tone melodies
- Atonal
- Asymmetric meters
- Changing time signatures
- Notation
- Chromatic and whole-tone melodies
- Atonal melodies
- Asymmetric meters
- Changing time signatures
- Melodic and rhythmic dictation including whole-tone, pentatonic, and blues scales as well as simple atonal melodies
- Modulation
- Secondary dominants
- Augmented sixth chords
- Neapolitan sixth chord
- Performance of rhythms encompassing asymmetric meters, changing time signatures and notation
- Dictation will include whole-tone, pentatonic and blues scales as well as simple atonal melodies

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