

Course Outline for: MUSC 1151 Applied Music 1

A. Course Description:

1. Number of credits: 1

2. Activity/Lesson hours per week: 1

3. Prerequisites: Audition and consent of instructor

4. Corequisites: MUSC 1152

5. MnTC Goals: None

Students pursuing a degree in music have weekly private instruction with an artist-level teacher on their respective instruments. Weekly lessons include topics such as: freshman repertoire development, technical studies, instrument-specific issues, student recital preparation, and performance concerns. This course is the first half of a two-year sequence designed to prepare a student for audition and transfer into a music program at a junior level. The foundational skills acquired will be necessary to prepare for successful transition to the sophomore level MUSC 2251 Applied Music 2. This course may be taken twice for a maximum total of 2 credits.

B. Date last reviewed/updated: February 2025

C. Outline of Major Content Areas:

- 1. Development of performance skills
- 2. Intonation and tone quality
- 3. Rhythmic accuracy
- 4. Clarity of articulation, precision of attack, and uniformity of release
- 5. Control of tempo and dynamics
- 6. Interpretation, phrasing, and style
- 7. Form analysis
- 8. Memorization
- 9. Sight-reading skills
- 10. Freshman-level repertoire

D. Course Learning Outcomes:

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

- 1. Demonstrate accuracy of intonation and control of tone quality.
- 2. Demonstrate accuracy of attack and release of the tone and precision of articulation and rhythmic accuracy.
- 3. Demonstrate control of tempo, dynamics, phrasing and interpretation.
- 4. Demonstrate ability to memorize.
- 5. Demonstrate ability to sight-read.
- 6. Create a repertoire of literature for their instrument or voice.
- 7. Demonstrate an efficient practice structure.

E. Methods for Assessing Student Learning:

Methods for assessment may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- 1. In-class performance with immediate instructor feedback
- 2. Aural and written assignments
- 3. Recital performance and recordings
- 4. Final performance exam in front of a jury of music faculty

F. Special Information:

Special course fee: \$610