

University of Florida Chorale

MUN 1320 / 3323 / 6325

Spring 2023

MW | 3:00p - 4:55p

Music Building, room 120

Instructor:

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Office: MUB 344

Office Hours: By appointment

Course Description

Vocal training and public performances of varied treble chorus repertoire. *1 credit*

Course Pre-Requisites

none

Course Objectives

1. Students develop and demonstrate proper vocal technique.
2. Students deepen their understanding of musical structures and conventions and employ their knowledge as they learn new repertoire.
3. Students synthesize a broad range of musical skills by performing a varied repertoire with expression, appropriate stylistic interpretation, technical accuracy, and kinesthetic energy.
4. Students explore the cultural and historical contexts of their repertoire to better understand the world, themselves, and their own experiences.

Required Text

none

Required Materials

black folder, concert attire – *details will be provided*

Performance Dates

Wednesday, April 5 – 6:30p-9:00p, Spring Concert

Friday, May 5 – 6:00p-9:00p, University Commencement Ceremony

**Note: Call time of performances is subject to change.*

Additional performance opportunities may be added.

Attendance Policy and Make-Up Policy

Success in this course is completely dependent upon attendance and participation. Attendance is mandatory for every scheduled rehearsal and performance. When you are absent from a class, you miss out on important experiences. More importantly, your absence will impact the other singers and the choir as a whole. **If you anticipate being absent from class, you should notify Dr. Cain via Canvas with as much notice as possible.**

To facilitate attendance recording, students are asked to place their cell phone in their designated slot on the phone rack in the front of the room, where it will remain for the duration of the rehearsal.

You may miss two rehearsals without consequence. Beginning with the third absence, your final course grade will be lowered by one letter grade for every class missed unless the absence is deemed excused in accordance with the UF Absence Policy (<https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/attendance-policies>). If you are not able to vocally contribute during a particular rehearsal due to illness, but you are still able to attend class (i.e. you are not contagious, feverish, nauseous, or faint), you are strongly encouraged to attend.

Acceptance of late assignments is at the discretion of the instructor.

Class Expectations

Students are expected to come to class on time and prepared to actively participate.

Course Assessment

Assignment	Percentage of Final Grade
Rehearsals & Assignments	60%
Performances	40%

Final Course Grade

Percent	Grade	Grade Points
93 - 100	A	4.00
90 - 92	A-	3.67
87 - 89	B+	3.33
83 - 86	B	3.00
80 - 82	B-	2.67
77 - 79	C+	2.33
73 - 76	C	2.00
70 - 72	C-	1.67
67 - 69	D+	1.33
63 - 66	D	1.00
60 - 62	D-	0.67
0 - 59.99	E	0.00

More information on UF grading policy may be found at:

<https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/grades-grading-policies>

Students Requiring Accommodations

Students with disabilities who experience learning barriers and would like to request academic accommodations should connect with the Disability Resource Center by visiting <https://disability.ufl.edu/students/get-started>. It is important for students to share their accommodation letter with their instructor and discuss their access needs, as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide professional and respectful feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing course evaluations online via GatorEvals. Guidance on how to give feedback in a professional and respectful manner is available at gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/students. Students will be notified when the evaluation period opens and can complete evaluations through the email they receive from GatorEvals, in their Canvas course menu under GatorEvals, or via ufl.bluera.com/ufl. Summaries of course evaluation results are available to students at gatorevals.aa.ufl.edu/public-results.

University Honesty Policy

UF students are bound by The Honor Pledge which states, "We, the members of the University of Florida community, pledge to hold ourselves and our peers to the highest standards of honor and integrity by abiding by the Honor Code. On all work submitted for credit by students at the University of Florida, the following pledge is either required or implied: "On my honor, I have neither given nor received unauthorized aid in doing this assignment." The Honor Code (<https://sccr.dso.ufl.edu/policies/student-honor-code-student-conduct-code>) specifies a number of behaviors that are in violation of this code and the possible sanctions. Furthermore, you are obligated to report any condition that facilitates academic misconduct to appropriate personnel. If you have any questions or concerns, please consult with the instructor.

Software Use

All faculty, staff, and students of the University are required and expected to obey the laws and legal agreements governing software use. Failure to do so can lead to monetary damages and/or criminal penalties for the individual violator. Because such violations are also against University policies and rules, disciplinary action will be taken as appropriate.

Student Privacy

There are federal laws protecting your privacy with regards to grades earned in courses and on individual assignments. For more information, please see: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/ferpa-confidentiality-student-records>

Campus Resources:

Health and Wellness

U Matter, We Care:

If you or a friend is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu or 352-392-1575 so that a team member can reach out to the student.

Counseling and Wellness Center: <http://www.counseling.ufl.edu> and 392-1575; and the University Police Department: 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies).

Sexual Assault Recovery Services (SARS)

Student Health Care Center, 392-1161.

University Police Department at 392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies), or <http://www.police.ufl.edu>.

Academic Resources

E-learning technical support, 352-392-4357 (select option 2) or e-mail to learning-support@ufl.edu. <https://elearning.ufl.edu>.

Career Connections Center, Reitz Union, 392-1601. Career assistance and counseling. <https://career.ufl.edu>.

Library Support, <https://uflib.ufl.edu/find/ask>. Various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center, Broward Hall, 392-2010 or 392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. <https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu>.

Writing Studio, 302 Tigert Hall, 846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers. <https://writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio>.

Student Complaints: <https://ombuds.ufl.edu/student>