

Course Syllabus
PIANO LITERATURE

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MUL6486

Time: TBA

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Course Description

This course is designed for piano majors and minors and explains the major currents in music history through the study and analysis of the keyboard repertoire of major composers. Addresses the key characteristics of the main genres found in keyboard repertoire. This course Covers the socio-cultural context that influenced major composers and their works.

Course Objectives

- Identify, explain and analyze selected masterworks and stylistic traits of composers
- Identify and distinguish forms as they apply to masterworks
- Listen critically to music
- Discuss the keyboard works of major composers in relation to the major eras of music history

Required Textbook and resources

- *A History of Keyboard Literature: Music for the Piano and its Forerunners*, by Stewart Gordon
- Oxford Music Online and other online articles and journals available through UF libraries
- Majority of music scores discussed in the class are available online or at the UF library. Other materials be provided by the instructor.

Course Schedule (subject to change)

Week 1: Introduction, Louis and François Couperin, Frescobaldi, Froberger

Week 2: J.S. Bach

Week 3: Handel, CPE Bach, Clementi, Haydn, Mozart

Week 4: **In-class Quiz 1**. Beethoven

Week 5: Schubert, Mendelssohn, Schumann

Week 6: Guest Lecture

Week 7: **Midterm Exam/Research Paper Proposal Due**

Week 8: Chopin

Week 9: Liszt

Week 10: Brahms, Franck and Faure

Week 11: The French-Debussy, Ravel, Poulenc and more

Week 12: Mussorgsky, Tchaikovsky, Albeniz and Granados, etc

Week 13: **In-class Quiz**. The Russians- Scriabin, Rachmaninoff, Stravinsky, Prokofiev, Shostakovich

Week 14: Bartok, Schoenberg and Berg, Joplin, Gershwin, Ives, etc

Week 15: Messiaen, Takemitsu, Stockhausen, Barber, Ligeti, Crumb, Rzewski, etc

Week 16: **Final Exam/Research Paper Due**

Evaluation of Grades

Class Attendance and participation: 30%

2 In-class Quizzes: 10%

Mid-term Exam : 15%

Research Paper Proposal: 5%

Final Exam: 20%

Research Paper: 20%

Grading Policy

Percent	Grade
92-100	A
90-91	A-
87-89	B+
83-86	B
80-82	B-
77-79	C+
73-76	C
70-72	C-
67-69	D+
63-66	D
60-62	D-
0-59	F

Students Requiring Accommodations

Students with disabilities requesting accommodations should first register with the Disability Resource Center (352-392-8565, www.dso.ufl.edu/drc/) by providing appropriate documentation. Once registered, students will receive an accommodation letter which must be presented to the instructor when requesting accommodation. Students with disabilities should follow this procedure as early as possible in the semester.

Course Evaluation

Students are expected to provide feedback on the quality of instruction in this course by completing online evaluations at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu>. Evaluations are typically open during the last two or three weeks of the semester, but students will be given specific times when they are open. Summary results of these assessments are available to students at <https://evaluations.ufl.edu/results/>.

Campus Resources

Health and Wellness

U Matter, We Care: If you or someone you know is in distress, please contact umatter@ufl.edu, 352-392-1575, or visit [U Matter, We Care website](#) to refer or report a concern and a team member will reach out to the student in distress.

Counseling and Wellness Center: [Visit the Counseling and Wellness Center website](#) or call 352-392-1575 for information on crisis services as well as non-crisis services.

Student Health Care Center: Call 352-392-1161 for 24/7 information to help you find the care you need, or [visit the Student Health Care Center website](#).

University Police Department: [Visit UF Police Department website](#) or call 352-392-1111 (or 9-1-1 for emergencies).

UF Health Shands Emergency Room / Trauma Center: For immediate medical care call 352-733-0111 or go to the emergency room at 1515 SW Archer Road, Gainesville, FL 32608; [Visit the UF Health Emergency Room and Trauma Center website](#).

GatorWell Health Promotion Services: For prevention services focused on optimal wellbeing, including Wellness Coaching for Academic Success, visit the [GatorWell website](#)

Academic Resources

E-learning technical support: Contact the [UF Computing Help Desk](#) at 352-392-4357 or via e-mail at helpdesk@ufl.edu.

Career Connections Center: Reitz Union Suite 1300, 352-392-1601. Career assistance and counseling services career.ufl.edu/.

Library Support: cms.uflib.ufl.edu/ask various ways to receive assistance with respect to using the libraries or finding resources.

Teaching Center: Broward Hall, 352-392-2010 or to make an appointment 352-392-6420. General study skills and tutoring. teachingcenter.ufl.edu/

Writing Studio: 2215 Turlington Hall, 352-846-1138. Help brainstorming, formatting, and writing papers. writing.ufl.edu/writing-studio/

Student Complaints On-Campus: sccr.dso.ufl.edu/policies/student-honor-code-student-conduct-code/

On-Line Students Complaints: distance.ufl.edu/student-complaint-process/