

Instructor Information

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Additional Contact Information

Course Information

Description	Participation in a small commercial music ensemble concentrating on commercial music performance styles.
Required Textbooks	<i>Textbook Purchasing Statement: A student attending Lamar State College Port Arthur is not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from the college-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.</i>
	None
Additional Materials/Resources	None
Corequisites/Prerequisites	None
Learning Outcomes	1) Demonstrate rehearsal skills to include ensemble precision, intonation, sight-reading, sound, and style 2) Demonstrate an understanding of appropriate repertoire 3) Demonstrate appropriate improvisational ability 4) Demonstrate an understanding of basic performance techniques
Program Student Learning Outcomes	PERFORMANCE 1. Applies commercial music performance techniques to professional practice. 2. Applies commercial music sound engineering technology to support performance practices. 3. Applies basic music industry principles to professional practice. 4. Demonstrates professional behavior as characterized by a commitment to the profession.
Lecture Topics Outline	- Rehearsals - Performances - Final Exam (Optional)
Major Assignments Schedule	<u>All Classes Are Cancelled On The Following Holiday Dates:</u> Labor Day: January 20th Spring Break: March 10th - March 14th <u>Drop Dates:</u> Final Day to Drop WITHOUT Penalty: February 24th Final Day to Drop WITH Penalty: April 18th ----- Spring 2025 Concert Schedule: <u>Spring Concert/Art Show</u> - TBA, PAC Theater, LSCPA Campus Setup/Soundcheck - Class time 1 to 2 class periods prior to performance <u>Turn-Up Tuesday</u> – Tuesday, Feb. 18th, 1:00pm-2:00pm, Student Center 2nd Floor, LSCPA Campus Setup - Monday prior to performance Sound Check - 12pm Tuesday, Feb. 18th <u>Community Health Fair</u> - Saturday, March 22nd, 10:00am - 12:00pm, Parker Center, LSCPA Campus Setup - 8:30am, same day

Soundcheck 9:15am, same day

South Texas State Fair – Working on this booking, TENTATIVE (*March 27th - April 6th)

Finale Show/CMVPA Festival – TBA, Madison's, Beaumont, TX

Pack up 12pm

Depart 12:30pm

ARRIVE/SETUP 1pm

Crab Festival – Saturday, May 10th, 12pm-1pm, Crystal Beach Tx

ARRIVE/SETUP 11:00am

*All others shows are TBA

Week 1: Intro, Discussion, Syllabus, and Song Selection

Week 2-16: Specific to ensemble

Final Exam Date

May 13, 2025 - 12:30 PM Through May 13, 2025 - 2:0 PM

Grading Scale

90 - 100=A 80 - 89=B 70 - 79=C 60 - 69=D Below 59 = F

Determination of Final Grade

Rehearsal Attendance 25%

Rehearsal Preparation 25%

* Performances 40%

Professional Attitude 10%

* If a student misses a scheduled performance they may receive a failing grade for the course.

Instructor will exercise discretion in these matters.

Course Policies

Instructor Policies

To discuss grades or anything class related, schedule an office visit. Please refer to office hours listed above.

Students may email me at richardsoncc@lamarpa.edu. I will respond as soon as possible.

PLEASE MAKE USE OF OFFICE HOURS AND E-MAIL FOR GUIDANCE WITH CLASS CONTENT.

No food or tobacco products are allowed in the classroom.

Only students enrolled in the course are allowed in the classroom, except by special instructor permission.

Electronic devices (including but not restricted to cell phones, MP3 players, and laptops) shall not be used during examinations unless specifically allowed by the instructor.

Recreational use of electronic devices during normal class hours distracts other students, disrupts the class, and wastes valuable time.

Turn your cellphones to vibrate when you enter the classroom.

Attendance Policy

Research has shown a cause and effect relationship between attendance and college success.

There are 16 weeks in every semester; students are expected to attend at least 15 lessons per semester. You are afforded one free absence before unexcused absences count against you. Final grades will be reduced 5 points for every lesson missed.

5 or more unexcused absences may result in a failing grade.

Excused absences must meet the following criteria: death in the family, medical related emergency, illness with doctor's note. Any cause beyond this will be left up to instructor discretion. Excused absences will be considered on a case by case basis.

YOU MUST E-MAIL YOUR INSTRUCTOR BEFORE YOU MISS CLASS with an explanation of why you will be absent. The date and time of the e-mail will be considered. Excused absences are conditional upon this. Any deviation will be considered at the discretion of the instructor.

Additional Information

TimelyCare is a virtual health and well-being platform available 24/7 for Lamar State College Port Arthur students. Any enrolled student can use TimelyCare. There is no cost to students. Go to timelycare.com/LSCPA or download the TimelyCare app to access care.

Institutional Policies

MyLSCPA

Be sure to check your campus email and Course Homepage using MyLSCPA campus web portal. You can also access your grades, transcripts, academic advisors, degree progress, and other services through [MyLSCPA](#).

Academic Honesty

Academic honesty is expected from all students, and dishonesty in any form will not be tolerated. Please consult the LSCPA policies (Academic Dishonesty section in the Student Handbook) for consequences of academic dishonesty.

ADA Considerations

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is a federal anti-discrimination statute that provides comprehensive civil rights for persons with disabilities. Among other things, this legislation requires that all students with disabilities be guaranteed a learning environment that provides

for reasonable accommodation of their disabilities. If you believe you have a disability requiring an accommodation, please contact the [Disability Services Coordinator](#), Room 117, in the Student Success Center. The phone number is (409) 984-6241.

COVID 19 Information	The Lamar State College Port Arthur (LSCPA) Student Code of Conduct COVID 19 Policy requires students who have been diagnosed with COVID 19 to report their condition directly to their local health department. Students should also contact their course faculty to report their quarantine status. In addition, this policy requires all students to wear face coverings when directly exposed to COVID 19 in compliance with the criteria included in the policy. For more information please refer to the COVID 19 link on the LSCPA website.
Facility Policies	No food or tobacco products are allowed in the classroom. Only students enrolled in the course are allowed in the classroom, except by special instructor permission. Use of electronic devices is prohibited.
HB 2504	This syllabus is part of LSCPA's efforts to comply with Texas House Bill 2504.
Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect	As per Texas law and LSCPA policy, all LSCPA employees, including faculty, are required to report allegations or disclosures of child abuse or neglect to the designated authorities, which may include a local or state law enforcement agency or the Texas Department of Family Protective Services. For more information about mandatory reporting requirements, see LSCPA's Policy and Procedure Manual .
Title IX and Sexual Misconduct	LSCPA is committed to establishing and maintaining an environment that is free from all forms of sex discrimination, including sexual harassment, sexual violence, and other forms of sexual misconduct. All LSCPA employees, including faculty, have the responsibility to report disclosures of sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment, sexual assault (including rape and acquaintance rape), domestic violence, dating violence, relationship violence, or stalking, to LSCPA's Title IX Coordinator, whose role is to coordinate the college's response to sexual misconduct. For more information about Title IX protections, faculty reporting responsibilities, options for confidential reporting, and the resources available for support visit LSCPA's Title IX website .
Clery Act Crime Reporting	For more information about the Clery Act and crime reporting, see the Annual Security & Fire Safety Report and the Campus Security website .
Grievance / Complaint / Concern	If you have a grievance, complaint, or concern about this course that has not been resolved through discussion with the Instructor, please consult the Department Chair.
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