

SYLLABUS
MUSI 2311- THEORY III
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PURPOSE OF THE COURSE:

The purpose of this course is to further the understanding of analysis and writing of tonal melody and diatonic harmony up to and including the chords, analysis and writing of small compositional forms, and correlated study at the keyboard. This course builds upon techniques learned in MUSI 1312.

COURSE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

Upon successful completion of this course, students will:

1. Construct and identify all triads and seventh chords in root position and inversion
2. Properly utilize and identify all non-chord tones
3. Analyze harmonic progressions utilizing standard roman-numeral symbols
4. Compose original harmonic progressions that properly utilize functional harmony
5. Demonstrate on the keyboard musical concepts covered in class, including triads in inversions and progressions with non-chord tones.
6. Demonstrate an understanding of rhythmic meter and note duration through score analysis and composition

CORE OBJECTIVE STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:

This course is included in the Creative Arts foundation component area, as described by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, and will reinforce the Core Objective student learning outcomes of Communication Skills, Critical Thinking, Teamwork, and Social Responsibility. Students will demonstrate effective written, oral, and visual communication. Students will be encouraged to thoroughly assess and investigate problems with the goal of full comprehension. Students will be encouraged to function as part of a team. Students will demonstrate intercultural knowledge.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

Textbook *and* workbook: *Tonal Harmony, 8th edition by Kostka, Payne, and Almén*. The student should purchase both the textbook and the workbook. The student will also need a notebook or notebook paper, five-line music staff paper, and a sharp, dark lead pencil every day.

HELPFUL WEBSITES:

<http://www.musictheory.net>
<http://www.teoria.com>

COURSE ORGANIZATION

This course will be offered as a “Flex” option. This means that there will be some face-to-face instruction with online instruction provided to supplement and enhance learning. This course can take on many different formats. Some include:

1. Lecture online with lab components face-to-face
2. Flipped classroom with online lecture delivery and face-to-face discussion
3. Face-to-face lecture delivery with online discussion / course supplements / online testing
4. Some face-to-face instruction supplemented with online instruction

There may need to be changes as the semester goes on, so flexibility will be the key to our success. I will do my best to communicate changes to you as soon as they arise.

CLASS ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION

Students are expected to participate in class. There currently is not an official South Plains College Fall 2020 attendance policy. However, you will be expected to participate in required discussions and assignments. If a student hasn't participated in any form for a minimum of three weeks without any communication and is earning an “F” in the class, then they will be administratively withdrawn from the class. Students will attend the section in which they are registered if they choose to come to class for the lecture. Students may choose to attend the class **(the number of students attending the lecture will be limited and you must wear a mask and not have any flu/Covid symptoms)**, view the Zoom/Collaborate lecture, or watch the recorded lecture posted on Blackboard at a later time. If you have any questions or concerns about how you will “attend” class, please let me know. These circumstances will require patience and understanding by everyone involved.

The following statement is from the South Plains College Return to Campus Plan:

It is the policy of South Plains College for the Fall 2020 semester that as a condition of on-campus enrollment, all students are required to engage in safe behaviors to avoid the spread of COVID-19 in the SPC community. Such behaviors specifically include the requirement that all students properly wear CDC-compliant face coverings while in SPC buildings including in classrooms, labs, hallways, and restrooms. Failure to comply with this policy may result in dismissal from the current class session. If the student refuses to leave the classroom or lab after being dismissed, the student may be referred to the Dean of Students on the Levelland campus or the Dean/Director of external centers for Student Code of Conduct Violation.

GRADING STANDARDS:

Homework

- Written homework assignments are due at the *beginning* of the next class meeting after they are assigned. Please see the daily schedule for when the workbook assignment pages are due.
- Assignments must be completed in PENCIL.
- Any assignment turned in with unreadable manuscript will be returned to the student to be completed again and will be counted as a late assignment.
- Late assignments that are incomplete will not be accepted.
- Work not turned in due to unexcused absences will be considered late.

- Students will not attempt to complete due homework during class, nor will they work on assignments for other classes.
- The single lowest homework grade will be dropped when figuring the student's average at the end of the semester.

Homework Deductions

- 5 for assignments completed in PEN
 - 10 for assignments turned in after the start of class or later in the day on due date
 - 25 for late assignments up to a week late
- Automatic 0 for assignments not turned in within a week

Exams

- There will be **three** exams scheduled during the semester, and a **comprehensive final exam** at the end of the semester.
- Exams *may not* be taken late or early except in the case of a legitimate emergency. The instructor must be notified *in advance* and for which documentation is provided upon the student's return to class.
- The final exam will be taken at the time specified in the college finals schedule. Under no circumstances will any student be allowed to take the final early.

Academic Dishonesty/Cheating

- Work which has obviously been shared between or among students will result in the grade of "0" being given on that assignment to all students involved.
- Cheating of any kind observed during an exam will result in the grade of "0" being given on that exam to all students involved.

Final Grade Calculation

The Final grade will be calculated as follows:

- Written homework assignments 50%
- Three exams 40%
- Class Participation 10%

The Final Grade will be determined as follows:

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

For Fine Arts Music Majors: Although the grade of a "D" is considered passing, it is highly recommended that the student earns a grade of at least a "C" to show competency in the subject before moving on to the next level of Music Theory. Students who earn a "D" will be encouraged to retake the course.

Grade Book: The course grade book is maintained at <https://southplainscollege.blackboard.com/webapps/login/>. Class assignments will also be posted to Blackboard. You are encouraged to log in regularly, to keep track of your personal records. If

you have questions about using this website, please do not hesitate to ask the instructor. Tutoring is provided for this course. Please listen to announcements given in class regarding tutoring, and please do not hesitate to ask the instructor for further information.

CLASSROOM ETIQUETTE:

The instructor will treat all class members with respect and dignity. The instructor will expect reciprocal treatment from all members of the class. All students will demonstrate the proper respect and courtesy for classmates.

Inappropriate behavior or disruption of the class in any way will not be tolerated, including talking or distracting movement, disrespectful actions or speech directed at the instructor or other class members, or sleeping in class. If the student is sleeping in class, he/she will be asked to leave class and will be counted absent for the day. The instructor may ask any student who is displaying disruptive behavior to leave class.

Students will not leave the room after class begins except in the case of an emergency. If a student leaves class for any reason other than an emergency, the student will be counted absent for that class.

Out of courtesy to the other students and to the instructor, phones and other communication devices are permitted in class for emergency purposes only. All communication devices must be silenced before entering the classroom and must remain **out of sight** for the duration of the class. Students observed using these devices during class for any purpose other than an emergency will be asked to cease such activity immediately and to put their devices away. If the student must be told to do so again, they will be instructed to leave class immediately and will be counted absent for the day. If such an incident occurs during an exam, the student will stop the exam immediately and will not be allowed to finish the exam.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

WARNING – Cheating or plagiarism will result in the student receiving a “0” on the assignment for the first offense, second offense you will be dropped from the class.

4.1.1.1. Diversity Statement

In this class, the teacher will establish and support an environment that values and nurtures individual and group differences and encourages engagement and interaction. Understanding and respecting multiple experiences and perspectives will serve to challenge and stimulate all of us to learn about others, about the larger world and about ourselves. By promoting diversity and intellectual exchange, we will not only mirror society as it is, but also model society as it should and can be.

4.1.1.2. Disabilities Statement (updated 6/2019)

Any students who, because of a disability, may require special arrangements in order to meet the course requirements should contact the instructor as soon as possible to make and necessary arrangements. Students must present appropriate verification from the SPC Disability Service Office during the instructor’s office hours. Please note that instructors are not allowed to provide classroom accommodations until appropriate verification from the SPC Disability Service Office

has been provided. For more information, you may contact the Disability Services Office (located in the Health & Wellness Center) at 806-716-2529 or visit <http://www.southplainscollege.edu/health/disabilityservices.php>.

4.1.1.3. Equal Opportunity, Harassment, and Non-Discrimination Statement (updated 6/2019)

South Plains College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Vice President for Student Affairs, South Plains College, 1401 College Avenue, Box 5, Levelland, TX 79336. Phone number 806-716-2360.

South Plains College is dedicated to providing a safe and equitable learning environment for all students. Discrimination, sexual assault, and harassment are not tolerated by the college. The Health and Wellness Center offers confidential support (806-716-2529) and Voice of Hope has a 24-hour hotline (806-763-7273). You are encouraged to report any incidents online at <http://www.southplainscollege.edu/about/campusafety/complaints.php>.

4.1.1.4 Title IX Pregnancy Accommodations Statement (updated 6/2019)

If you are pregnant, or have given birth been within six months, under Title IX you have a right to reasonable accommodations to help continue your education. Students who wish to request accommodations must contact the Health and Wellness Center at 806-716-2529 to initiate the process.

4.1.1.5 OPTIONAL STATEMENT - Campus Concealed Carry Statement

Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in South Plains College buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and South Plains College policy, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations and Frequently Asked Questions, please refer to the Campus Carry page at <https://www.southplainscollege.edu/campuscarry.php>

Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all South Plains College campuses. Report violations to the College Police Department at 806-716-2396 or 9-1-1.