Course Information

Division: Fine Arts
Course Number: MUS 117
Title: Class Instruction in Brass I
Credits: 1
Developed by: Geoff DeSpain
Lecture/Lab Ratio: 0 Lecture/3 Lab
Transfer Status:

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Activity Course: Yes

CIP Code: 50.0900
Assessment Mode: Capstone
Semester Taught: Fall
GE Category: None
Separate Lab: No
Awareness Course: No
Intensive Writing Course: No
Diversity and Inclusion Course: No

Prerequisites
None

Educational Value

A. To General Education
This class enables students to expand their musical horizons by learning to perform on an instrument other than the one they are most accustomed.

B. To Major/Program
These courses are absolutely essential for the music education major to prepare them in the basic knowledge of all instruments so they can teach beginning brass students.

Description
Elementary group instruction required of instrumental music majors. Includes skills of teaching brass at the elementary level. Upper brass instruments with emphasis on trumpet and French horn.

Supplies
None
**Competencies and Performance Standards**

1. **Develop basic skills on all brass instruments.**
   
   **Learning objectives**
   
   What you will learn as you master the competency:
   
   a. Develop basic skills on all brass instruments.
   
   **Performance Standards**
   
   Competence will be demonstrated:
   
   o in class activities and exercises
   
   Performance will be satisfactory when:
   
   o learner develop skills on all skills instruments

2. **Perform at an elementary level on all brass instruments.**
   
   **Learning objectives**
   
   What you will learn as you master the competency:
   
   a. Perform at an elementary level on all brass instruments.
   
   **Performance Standards**
   
   Competence will be demonstrated:
   
   o in class activities and exercises
   
   Performance will be satisfactory when:
   
   o learner performs at an elementary level on all brass instruments

3. **Display a basic understanding of brass embouchures, finger techniques, and problems unique to each instrument.**
   
   **Learning objectives**
   
   What you will learn as you master the competency:
   
   a. Describe the development embouchures, finger patterns, and special problems of playing brass instruments.
   
   **Performance Standards**
   
   Competence will be demonstrated:
   
   o in class activities and exercises
   
   Performance will be satisfactory when:
   
   o learner describes the development of playing brass instruments

**Types of Instruction**

Classroom Presentation

Actual or Simulated Performances
Grading Information

Grading Rationale
40% Playing proficiently quizzes
40% Written exams
10% Quizzes on assigned readings
5% Attendance
5% Class participation

Grading Scale
A 100-90%
B 89-80%
C 79-70%
D 69-60%
F 59% and below