

# UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS Conducting I. MUED 331 Fall 2021

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| Office Hours                       | By appointment  |
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| Days, times and location of course |   |
| or course                          | Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 10:45   |
| Lagraina                           | Classes will take place in person   |
| Learning resources:                | The Art of Conducting, Donald Hunsberger and Roy E Ernst.   |
| required readings,                 | Choral Error Detection, Paul Hondorp  |
| textbooks and materials            | Conducting baton as approved by instructor. Suggested sources;  |
|                                    | Long and McQuade Music  |
|                                    | St. John's Music  |
|                                    | Richard Worton – (403) 239-7807   |
|                                    | Medium for recording and reviewing conducting sessions  |
| Learning technologies              | There is a D2L site for this course which will be used to submit written assignments  |
| and requirements                   | and to communicate details of assignments and other information (see  |
|                                    | d2L.ucalgary.ca).   |
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| Prerequisites                      | Music 211 and 225   |
| Course description                 | Basic conducting techniques with the use of the baton; simple and condensed scores for selected choral and instrumental works.  |
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|                                    | Attendance at three conducted large ensemble classical concerts of the student's  |
|                                    | choosing (preferably at a professional level).  |
| Course learning                    | By the completion of this course, successful students will be able to:  |
| outcomes                           | Sing the music that is being conducted conducting     Share management and beat in distributed and at the second at the sec |
|                                    | 2. Show preparatory beat indicating tempo, dynamic, and style   |
|                                    | 3. Master beat patterns for 2, 3, 4, and 6 beats per measure  |
|                                    | 4. Demonstrate independence of motion between both hands  |
|                                    | 5. Keep a consistent beat while conducting in a variety of patterns   |
|                                    | 6. Cue instrument entries in a clear manner   |
|                                    | 7. Physically express articulation styles and dynamics  |
| Course schedule                    | These dates are guidelines. We may spend more time on particular subject matter   |
|                                    | if the class requires it.   |
|                                    | September 7 – Introduction. Syllabus. Theory review. Singing. <b>Chapter 1</b>  |
|                                    | September 9 – Position. Prep. Release. Patterns. Inevitability. Metronome   |
|                                    | Markings. Chapter for 1 excerpts.   |
|                                    | September 14 – Excerpts 1-5 and 1-6   |
|                                    | September 16 – Excerpts 1-5 and 1-6. Chapter 2. Dynamics  |
|                                    | September 21 – Baton maker Richard Worton pages 30-35. Chapter 2  |
|                                    | September 23 – Dynamics prep. Hand independence handout.  |
|                                    | September 28 – <b>Dynamics test. Chapter 2.</b> Prep for chapter 2 excerpts.  |
|                                    | September 30 – NO CLASS   |
|                                    | October 5 – Excerpts 2-1 and 2-6  |

October 7 – Excerpts 2-1 and 2-6

October 12 – One beat patterns. Left hand dynamics. Additional releases.

Chapter 3

October 14 - Chapter 3. Prep for chapter 3 excerpts

October 19 – Excerpts 3-6 and 3-7

October 21 - Excerpts 3-6 and 3-7

October 26 - Entrances on beats other than 1. Cues. Chapter 4

October 28 – **Hand Independence Test.** Prep for chapter 4 excerpts.

November 2 – Excerpts 4-2 and 4-6

November 4 – Excerpts 4-2 and 4-6. Scores for final project distributed.

November 9 – NO CLASS (Reading week) November 11 – NO CLASS (Reading week)

November 16 – Recorded. Chapter 5. Discuss phase 1 and thematic analysis.

November 18 – BREATHE with Dr. Alan Watkins. Great Conductors of the past.

November 23 – Final project preparation November 25 – Final project preparation.

November 30 – Final project preparation. Phase 1 and thematic analysis due

December 2 – Final project preparation.

December 7 - Final project performance. Marked scores due, Journals due

December 9 - Final project performance

### Assessment components

### **Assignment 1**:

Value: 50%

**Due Date**: Multiple dates as indicated in schedule

**Type**: Conducting assignments and physical skill testing

**Description**: Preparation and conducting of several short excerpts or of

assigned motions. Singing of various parts will be required. You will video record each of your conducting sessions. Written point form analysis of the video of your conducting session must be submitted within 7 days of each session.

### Assignment 2:

Value: 10%

**Due Date**: December 7, 2021

Type: Journal

**Description**: Analysis of three conducted concerts of large classical ensembles

(Preferably at a professional level). Each analysis will be a

minimum length of 350 words.

# Assignment 3:

Value: 30%

**Due Date**: December 7 and 9, 2021 **Type**: Final conducting assignment.

**Description**: Preparation and conducting a complete chamber ensemble

piece of the instructor's choosing. Includes, analysis, score

marking, and execution.

### **Attendance/Participation:**

**Value:** 10%

**Description:** Attendance of lectures and participation in classroom ensembles

### Assessment expectations

**Guidelines for Submitting Assignments:** 

Written assignments will be submitted on D2L.

### Missed or Late Assignments:

Half a letter grade will be subtracted for each day late. Assignments will not be accepted after classes finish on December 9, 2021.

# Attendance and participation expectations;

Students will play and sing as the ensemble for each conductor. This is a learning experience for the players as well as the conductors. Being on the "other side of the baton" is vital to our learning experience. Therefore, attendance is expected at every class unless express permission is given by the instructor or in case of illness or emergency. 10% of your mark is based on attendance and participation. If a class is missed without permission, half of this will be deducted. Chronic lateness to class (defined as three classes) will also result in a deduction of half of this 10%.

# Expectations for Writing:

Writing skills are important to academic study across all disciplines. Consequently, assessment of writing quality will be used as a factor in the evaluation of student work. Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.2 Writing Across the Curriculum policy for details.

### Grading scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section F.1.1 Undergraduate Grading System of the Calendar: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1.html.

- Α+ 96-100%
- Α 90-95%
- A-86-89%
- B+ 82-85%
- В 78-81%
- B-74-77%
- C+ 70-73%
- 66-69%

C-

D

- 62-65% D+
- 58-61%

54-57%

- D-50-53%
- 0%-49%
- A grade of "C-" or below may not be sufficient for promotion or graduation, see specific faculty regulations.
- The number of "D" and "D+" grades acceptable for credit is subject to specific undergraduate faculty promotional policy.

### Academic Accommodation

It is the student's responsibility to request academic accommodations according to the University policies and procedures listed below. The Student Accommodations policy is available at https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/access/prospective-students/academicaccommodations.

Students needing an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact Student Accessibility Services (SAS) in accordance with the Procedure for Accommodations for Students with Disabilities (https://www.ucalgary.ca/legalservices/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-Disabilities-Procedure.pdf).

| Student Support            | Please visit this link for important information on UCalgary's student wellness and safety resources: <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines">https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines</a>  |
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| Freedom of Information and | Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom  |
|                            | policy may be disciplined under the Non-Academic Misconduct Policy <a href="https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html">https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html</a> .   |
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|                            | Copyright-Policy.pdf) and requirements of the copyright act (https://laws-   |
|                            | services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Material-Protected-by-   |
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|                            | case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the instructor.   |
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|                            | that may be distracting to you or for other learners during class time. Students are   |
| communication device       | the course and classroom activities. Please refrain from accessing websites and resources  |
| Internet and electronic    | The use of laptop and mobile devices is acceptable when used in a manner appropriate to  |
|                            | at <a href="https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity">https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity</a> .   |
| plagiarism                 | Procedure.pdf. Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website   |
|                            | services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Academic-Misconduct-   |
|                            | Academic-Misconduct-Policy.pdf and https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-  |
|                            | https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-   |
|                            | For information on the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedure please visit:  |
|                            | failure to comply with exam regulations applied by the Registrar.  |
|                            | conduct required of students completing academic assessments in their courses; and   |
|                            | unauthorized assistance; failure to comply with an instructor's expectations regarding   |
|                            | a student's academic activities and includes: cheating; fabrication; falsification; plagiarism;  |
| Academic integrity,        | Academic Misconduct refers to student behavior which compromises proper assessment of  |
|                            | disabilities, visit <u>www.ucalgary.ca/access/</u> .   |
|                            | additional information on support services and accommodations for students with  |
|                            | SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For  |
|                            | should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.   |
|                            | requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability  |