

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Course Number and Title: Conducting I. MUED 331

Session: Fall 2022

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Course schedule

These dates are guidelines. We may spend more time on particular subject matter if the class requires it.

September 6 – Introduction. Syllabus. Theory review. Singing. Chapter 1

September 8 – Position. Prep. Release. Patterns. Inevitability. Metronome

Markings. Prepare for chapter 1 excerpts.

September 13 – Excerpts 1-5 and 1-6

September 15 – BREATHE with Dr. Alan Watkins. Great Conductors of the past.

September 20 – Baton maker Richard Worton pages 30-35. Chapter 2

September 22 – Dynamics prep. Hand independence handout.

September 27 – **Dynamics test. Chapter 2.** Prep for chapter 2 excerpts.

September 29 – Prep for chapter 2 excerpts.

October 4 - Excerpts 2-1 and 2-6

October 6 - Excerpts 2-1 and 2-6

October 11 – One beat patterns. Left hand dynamics. Additional releases.

Chapter 3

October 13 – **Chapter 3.** Prep for chapter 3 excerpts

October 18 - Excerpts 3-6 and 3-7

October 20 – Excerpts 3-6 and 3-7

October 25 – Entrances on beats other than 1. Cues. **Chapter 4.** Remote class

October 27 – Submit Hand Independence Test. Prep 4-2 and 4-6. Remote class

November 1 – Prep for Chapter 4 excerpts. Scores for final project distributed.

November 3 – Excerpts 4-2 and 4-6.

November 9 – NO CLASS (Reading week)

November 11 – NO CLASS (Reading week)

November 15 – **Chapter 5.** Discuss phase 1 and thematic analysis.

November 17 – Final project preparation

November 22 – Final project preparation

November 24 – Final project preparation.

November 29 – Final project preparation. Phase 1 and thematic analysis due

December 1 – Final project preparation. Journals due

December 6 - Final project performance. Marked scores due after conducting

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 1, 2022

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 6, 2022

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 7, 2022.

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, instructors may use their assessment of writing quality 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.

A+ 96-100% A 90-95%

A 90-95% A- 86-89%

B+ 82-85%

B 78-81% B- 74-77%

C+ 70-73%

C 66-69%

C- 62-65%

D+ 58-61%

D 54-57%

D- 50-53%

F 0%-49%

Undergraduate: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-1.html

• 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.

Graduate: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1-2.html

• All grades of "C+" or lower are indicative of failure at the graduate level and cannot be counted toward Faculty of Graduate Studies course requirements. Individual programs may require a higher passing grade.

Guidelines for Zoom Sessions

Zoom is a video conferencing program that will allow us to meet at specific times for a "live" video conference, so that we can have the opportunity to meet each other virtually and discuss relevant course topics as a learning community.

To help ensure Zoom sessions are private, do not share the Zoom link or password with others, or on any social media platforms. Zoom links and passwords are only intended for students registered in the course. Zoom recordings and materials presented in Zoom, including any teaching materials, must not be shared, distributed or published without the instructor's permission.

The use of video conferencing programs relies on participants to act ethically, honestly and with integrity; and in accordance with the principles of fairness, good faith, and respect (as per the Code of Conduct). When entering Zoom or other video conferencing sessions (such as MS Teams), you play a role in helping create an effective, safe and respectful learning environment. Please be mindful of how your behaviour in these sessions may affect others. Participants are required to use names officially associated with their UCID (legal or preferred names listed in the Student Centre) when engaging in these activities. Instructors/moderators can remove those whose names do not appear on class rosters. Non-compliance may be investigated under relevant University of Calgary conduct policies (e.g Student Non-Academic Misconduct Policy). If participants have difficulties complying with this requirement, they should email the instructor of the class explaining why, so the instructor may consider whether to grant an exception, and on what terms. For more information on how to get the most out of your zoom sessions visit: https://elearn.ucalgary.ca/guidelines-for-zoom/.

If you are unable to attend a Zoom session, please contact your instructor to arrange an alternative activity for the missed session (e.g., to review a recorded session). Please be prepared, as best as you are able, to join class in a quiet space that will allow you to be fully present and engaged in Zoom sessions. Students will be advised by their instructor when they are expected to turn on their webcam (for group work, presentations, etc.).

The instructor may record online Zoom class sessions for the purposes of supporting student learning in this class – such as making the recording available for review of the session or for students who miss a session. Students will be advised before the instructor initiates a recording of a Zoom session. These recordings will be used to support student learning only and will not be shared or used for any other purpose.

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/academic-accommodations.

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/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Accommodation-for-Students-with-Disabilities-Procedure.pdf).

Students who require an accommodation in relation to their coursework or to fulfill requirements for a graduate degree, based on a Protected Ground other than Disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.

	SAS will process the request and issue letters of accommodation to instructors. For additional information on support services and accommodations for students with disabilities, visit www.ucalgary.ca/access/ .
Academic integrity, plagiarism	Academic Misconduct refers to student behavior which compromises proper assessment of a student's academic activities and includes: cheating; fabrication; falsification; plagiarism; unauthorized assistance; failure to comply with an instructor's expectations regarding conduct required of students completing academic assessments in their courses; and failure to comply with exam regulations applied by the Registrar.
	For information on the Student Academic Misconduct Policy and Procedure please visit: https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Academic-Misconduct-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Student-Academic-Misconduct-Procedure.pdf . Additional information is available on the Academic Integrity Website at https://ucalgary.ca/student-services/student-success/learning/academic-integrity .
Internet and electronic communication device	The use of laptop and mobile devices is acceptable when used in a manner appropriate to the course and classroom activities. Please refrain from accessing websites and resources that may be distracting to you or for other learners during class time. Students are responsible for being aware of the University's Internet and email use policy, which can be found at https://www.ucalgary.ca/legal-services/sites/default/files/teams/1/Policies-Acceptable-Use-of-Electronic-Resources-and-Information-Policy.pdf .
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Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy	Student information will be collected in accordance with typical (or usual) classroom practice. Students' assignments will be accessible only by the authorized course faculty. Private information related to the individual student is treated with the utmost regard by the faculty at the University of Calgary.
Student Support	Please visit this link for important information on UCalgary's student wellness and safety resources: https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/registration/course-outlines
Arts Students' Centre Program Advising:	Have a question but not sure where to start? The Arts Students' Centre is your information resource for everything in the Faculty of Arts. Call us at 403-220-3580 or email us at ascarts@ucalgary.ca . You can also visit the Faculty of Arts website at http://arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate which has detailed information on common academic concerns.
Faculty of Graduate Studies:	For graduate studies email: graduate@ucalgary.ca or call 403 220 4938. Visit the Faculty of Graduate Studies for more details: https://grad.ucalgary.ca/