

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS - MUSIC MUSI 402 02: A History of Heavy Metal

Session: Winter 2018

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Office Hours:	By appointment
Location and Time	F202, Craigie Hall, Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:30PM to 4:45PM
Text and recordings	Readings available via D2L under External Links
-	It is the responsibility of the student to procure all required listening materials for this course.
Prerequisites	See University of Calgary 2017-2018 Academic Calendar
Course Schedule:	Please refer to Course Schedule (attached) or D2L
Course Description	MUSI 402 02 is a multimedia survey course exploring the genre of popular music known as Heavy Metal. The course will include an examination of the music and its artists from its earliest precursors through to the present. Discussions will center on a survey of some of Heavy Metal's most well-known icons and will include detailed analyses and indepth discussions of their works.
Course Objectives	In addition to providing students with an in-depth look at one of rock's most
and Outcomes	fascinating genres, this course will assist students in developing a greater appreciation and understanding of Heavy Metal and popular music in general. Structural analyses of major works will offer students a clear means of tracing and evaluating the development of the genre. Lectures, class discussions, readings, and assignments will encourage the development of an appropriate musical vocabulary and provide a forum for intelligent discussion. By focusing on key issues surrounding the music – metal's dark imagery, its integration of classical elements, its fascination with virtuosity, its lyrical content and album artwork – students will be encouraged to approach popular music from a critical perspective.
Assessment Components	 Three 70-minute in-class listening exams (Jan.31; Mar.7; Apr.11: 15% each): identification and description of required listening materials and selected readings (multiple choice/ mini-essays); 70-minute in-class midterm exam (Feb.28: 20%): based on lectures and selected readings; Group presentation (one of the following: Jan.24; Feb.7; Feb.14; Mar.14;
	 Mar.21; Apr.4: 10%); topics/dates will be selected during the first few weeks of term; groups must submit a pdf copy of the presentation with bibliography: Final take-home exam (due April 15: 25%) Please note: students are required to complete all components of this course. Make-up exams will not be scheduled without a valid medical excuse and documentation. Late work will be penalized by one grade increment per day (A becomes A-, A- becomes B+, etc.)
	The grading scheme for all course assignments and exams is as follows:
	96% and over = A+; 91-95% = A; 86-90% = A-; 81-85% = B+; 76-80% = B; 71-75% = B-; 66-70% = C+; 61-65% = C; 56-60% = C-; 50-55% = D; Below 50%: F.
	All written work will be evaluated in terms of content, form and language competency.

Assessment Expectations

Expectations for Writing: All written work will be evaluated in terms of content, form and language competency. 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.

<u>Expectations for Attendance and Participation:</u> Please refer to the Undergraduate Calendar E.3 Attendance for details.

Guidelines for Formatting Assignments: Please consult the Chicago Manual of Style

<u>Late Assignments:</u> Make-up exams will not be scheduled without the most compelling reasons and must be accompanied by appropriate documentation. Late work will be penalized by one grade increment per day (A becomes A-, A- becomes B+, etc.).

<u>Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass:</u> A passing grade will only be awarded where students convincingly demonstrate a working familiarity of the music, artists, genres, styles and cultures represented in class lectures, course readings and required listening.

Grading Scale

For the course as a whole, letter grades should be understood as follows, as outlined in the section F.2 of the Undergraduate Calendar for 2015-2016:

Grade	GPA	Description
A +	4.00	Outstanding.
Α	4.00	Excellent-superior performance, showing comprehensive understanding of subject matter.
Α-	3.70	Good - clearly above average performance with knowledge of subject matter generally complete.
B+	3.30	
В	3.00	Good - clearly above average performance with knowledge of subject matter generally complete.
B-	2.70	
C+	2.30	
С	2.00	Satisfactory - basic understanding of the subject matter.
C-	1.70	Receipt of a grade point average of 1.70 may not be sufficient for promotion or graduation. (See individual undergraduate faculty regulations.)
D+	1.30	
D	1.00	Minimal pass - marginal performance; generally insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.
F	0	Fail - unsatisfactory performance or failure to meet course requirements.

MIDTERM AND FINAL EXAMINATION SCHEDULING

Final examinations may be scheduled at any time during the examination period (11-22 December for Fall 2015 term; 16-27 April for Winter 2016 term); students should therefore avoid making prior travel, employment, or other commitments for this period. If a student is unable to write an exam through no fault of his or her own for medical or other valid reasons, documentation must be provided and an opportunity to write the missed exam may be given. Students are encouraged to review all examination policies and procedures: ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams/deferred_final

DEFERRALS OF EXAMS/TERM WORK

It is possible to request a deferral of term work or final examinations for reasons of illness, accident, family or domestic affliction, or religious obligations. Please check with your advisor if any of these issues make it impossible for you to sit an exam or finish term work by stated deadlines. ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-6.html ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/g-7.html

INTERNET AND	elearn.ucalgary.ca/category/d2l/
ELECTRONIC	ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/emergency-instructions/uc-emergency-app
COMMUNCATION	The in-class use of computers may be approved by your Instructor. Cell phones and other
DEVICE	electronic communication devices should be silenced or turned off upon entering the
	classroom. If you violate the Instructor's policy regarding the use of electronic communication
	devices in the classroom, you may be asked to leave the classroom; repeated abuse may result
	in a charge of misconduct. No audio or video recording of any kind is allowed in class without
	explicit permission of the Instructor.
ACADEMIC INTEGRITY,	The University of Calgary is committed to the highest standards of academic integrity and
PLAGIARISM	honesty. Students are expected to be familiar with these standards regarding academic
	honesty and to uphold the policies of the University in this respect. Students are referred to the
	section on plagiarism in the University Calendar (<u>ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k-2.html</u>)
	and are reminded that plagiarism Using any source whatsoever without clearly documenting
	it—is an extremely serious academic offence. Consequences include failure on the assignment,
	failure in the course and possibly suspension or expulsion from the university. You must
	document not only direct quotations but also paraphrases and ideas where they appear in your
	text. A reference list at the end is insufficient by itself. Readers must be able to tell exactly
	where your words and ideas end and other people's words and ideas begin. This includes
	assignments submitted in non-traditional formats such as Web pages or visual media, and
	material taken from such sources. Please consult your instructor or the Student Success Centre
	(TFDL 3rd Floor) if you have any questions regarding how to document sources.
COPYRIGHT	It is the responsibility of students and professors to ensure that materials they post or
	distribute to others comply with the Copyright Act and the University's Fair Dealing Guidance
	for Students. Further copyright information for students is available on the Copyright Office
	web page (library.ucalgary.ca/copyright).
ACADEMIC	Students seeking an accommodation based on disability or medical concerns should contact
ACCOMMODATION	Student Accessibility Services (SAS); 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 <u>www.ucalgary.ca/access/</u> . Students who
	require an accommodation in relation to their coursework based on a protected ground other
	than disability should communicate this need in writing to their Instructor.
	The full policy on Student Accommodations is available
	at http://www.ucalgary.ca/policies/files/policies/student-accommodation-policy 0.pdf
FOIP	ucalgary.ca/secretariat/privacy
STUDENT	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/k.html
MISCONDUCT	
ACADEMIC STANDING	ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f.html
SAFEWALK	220-5333 anytime. <u>ucalgary.ca/security/safewalk</u>
CAMPUS SECURITY	220-5333. Help phones: located throughout campus, parking lots, and elevators. They connect
	directly to Campus Security; in case of emergency, press the red button.
EMERGENCY	Assembly points for emergencies have been identified across campus. The primary assembly
EVACUATION	point for Craigie Hall is the Professional Faculties Food Court. For more information, see the
	University of Calgary's Emergency Management website:
	<u>ucalgary.ca/emergencyplan/assemblypoints</u>
FACULTY OF ARTS	For academic advising, visit the Arts Students' Centre (ASC) for answers about course
PROGRAM ADVISING	registration, graduation checks, and the 'big picture' on programs and majors. Drop in at
AND STUDENT	SS102, email us at ascarts@ucalgary.ca or call us at 403-220-3580. You can also visit the
INFORMATION	Faculty of Arts website at <u>arts.ucalgary.ca/undergraduate</u> which has detailed information on
RESOURCES	common academic concerns.
	• For academic success support, such as writing support, peer support, success seminars, and
	learning support, visit the Student Success Centre on the third floor of the Taylor Family
	Digital Library (TFDL), email them at success@ucalgary.ca or visit their website at
	ucalgary.ca/ssc/ for more information or to book an appointment.
	• For enrolment assistance, including registration (add/drop/swap) changes, paying fees, and
	navigating your Student Centre, contact Enrolment Services at 403-210-ROCK [7625], by
	email at futurestudents@ucalgary.ca or visit them at the MacKimmie Block 117.

COURSE OUTLINES FOR	It is possible that you will be asked for copies of this outline for credit transfers to other
TRANSFER CREDIT	institutions or for proof of work done. It is the student's responsibility to keep these outlines
	and provide them to employers or other universities when requested. Please ensure that
	outlines of all the courses you take are kept in a safe place for your future reference.
	Departments/Programs do not guarantee that they will provide copies.
LETTER OF PERMISSION	If you wish to study at another institution while registered at the U of C, you must have a letter
	of permission. You can submit your request through your Student Centre at MyUofC. Students
	must have the Letter of Permission before they take the course at another school. Failure to
	prepare may result in no credit awarded and could result in suspension from the faculty.
STUDENT UNION	Student Union: su.ucalgary.ca/about/who-we-are/elected-officials/
CONTACT	Faculty of Arts reps: arts1@su.ucalgary.ca; arts2@su.ucalgary.ca; arts3@su.ucalgary.ca;
STUDENT	arts4@su.ucalgary.ca
OMBUDSPERSON	Graduate Student's Association: gsa.ucalgary.ca/executive
	Student Ombudsman: su.ucalgary.ca/page/quality-education/academic-services/student-rights
UNDERGRADUATE	DUS: Drama Undergraduate Society, CHC 005 uofcdus@gmail.com
ASSOCIATIONS	MUS: Music Undergraduate Society, CHF 219 <u>undmusic@ucalgary.ca</u>