

UNIVERSITY OF CALGARY FACULTY OF ARTS

UNIVERSITY OF SCHOOL OF CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS DRAM 416.02 A/B - Vocal Practice for Performance II Fall 2022 – Winter 2023

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Office Hours	Thursdays 10:00AM - 12:00PM
Day(s),time(s) and	Fridays 10:30AM - 11:45AM
location of Class	RT 128
	Required text:
Learning resources: required readings,	
textbooks and materials	Speaking North American Naturally by David Smukler - this text is available
textbooks and materials	through the library as an ebook.
	Other materials will be provided by the Instructor. Texts for assignments may be
	accessed through the library and will be in the pubic domain.
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Learning Technologies	There is a D2L site for this course which contains required readings and other
and Requirements	relevant class resources and materials (see d2L.ucalgary.ca).
	In order to successfully engage in their learning experiences at the University of Calgary, students taking online, remote and blended courses are required to have
	reliable access to the following technology:
	A computer with a supported operating system, as well as the latest
	security, and malware updates;
	A current and updated web browser;
	Webcam (built-in or external);
	Microphone and speaker (built-in or external) or headset with
	microphone;
	 Current antivirus and/or firewall software enabled;
	Broadband internet connection.
	Most current laptops will have a built-in webcam, speaker and microphone.
Prerequisites	DRAM 309/312 and DRAM 316
Course description	Intermediate development of vocal practice for live performance and public speaking. Further exploration of contemporary and classical text.
	Students will be gaining a deeper understanding of their own sound, how they
	form and shape their own dialect and how to form and shape dialect for
	characterization. Study of speech sounds for space and articulation will be
	employed.
	We will be accessing material on Digital Theatre+
	[https://edu.digitaltheatreplus.com/login?redirect=%2F] for class discussions,
	opportunities to observe work from around the globe and to see and experience different forms and methods of acting.

Course learning	Butho completion of this course successful students will be able to
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outcomes	1. Fully warm up the voice and body in preparation for rehearsal and performance
	2. Analyze heightened text and apply the voice work to the analysis, with an
	emphasis on dialect acquisition
	3. Integrate technique into imaginative, impulse creation work on a free and open
	voice
	4. Implement the use of speech sounds to articulation and character choices,
	through the study of the International Phonetic Alphabet [IPA]
Course schedule	Fall 2022:
	Unit 1: Vocal workout
	Sept - Dec: review of voice curriculum / addition of resonance, articulation and
	language
	Unit 2: Vocal practice
	Oct: Addition of Speech Sounds and ear training using the IPA
	Unit 3: Vocal integration
	Nov - Dec: Storytelling with heightened text and the art of persuasion
	Winter 2023:
	Jan - April: continued exploration of voice curriculum
	Unit 4: Extended voice into dialect
	January - February: Received Pronunciation
	Unit 5: Putting it all together
	March - April: Standard American
Assessment components	Fall 2022
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	Assessment Method: Presentation / Written Script work
	Description: You are to choose one of Hamlet's monologues to demonstrate
	application of techniques learned in class. [further details on D2L]
	Weight: 10%
	Due Date: Oct. 21, 2022
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	Assignment 2: Greek Project
	Assessment Method: Presentation / Written Script work
	Description: You are to choose a text from ancient Greece to demonstrate vocal
	stylistic choices through heightened text, while connecting to character, including
	use of speech sounds. [further details on D2L]
	Weight 20%
	Due Date: Dec 2, 2022
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	Quizzes: Speech Sounds
	Assessment Method: Written / listening
	Description: As we work through the speech sounds in the International Phonetic
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	Alphabet, we will have weekly listening/hearing quizzes to sharpen the actors' ear
	for how we shape and create sound.
	Weight: 10 % in total
	Due Dates: ongoing
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	Self evaluations
	Assessment method: Written assessment
	Description: Students will evaluate their progress twice throughout the semester,
	starting with an early assessment of where they are starting from in the work, and
	ending with a full reflection on the progression of the work over the course of the
	term. They will answer a series of questions, focusing on the technique and their

application of the techniques learned, as well as reflecting on where they are in the process and what they need to focus on. [Further details to be posted on D2L]

Weight: 20%

Due Dates: Oct 14 and Nov 25, 2022

Winter 2023:

Unit 4: Received Pronunciation

Assessment Method: Presentation / Written Script work

Description: You will select a monologue, to be approved by the Instructor, from the works of George Bernard Shaw to demonstrate Received Pronunciation, the

British Stage Standard. [further details on D2L]

Weight: 10%

Due Date: Feb. 17, 2023

Unit 5: American

Assessment Method: Presentation / Written Script work

Description: You are to select a dialect/region in the USA to research and present. You may use scenes from television and/or film as well as theatre. [further details

on D2L] Weight: 10%

Due Date: March 31, 2023

Self evaluation

Assessment method: Written assessment

Description: Students will continue to evaluate their progress throughout the semester, culminating in a full reflection on the progression of the work over the course of the year. They will answer a series of questions, focusing on the technique and their application of the techniques learned, as well as reflecting on where they are in the process and what they need to focus on. [Further details to be posted on D2L]

Weight: 10%

Due Dates: Apr 7, 2023 [in dropbox]

Growth & Development:

Weight: 10 %

Description: Students will be graded on active participation and acquisition of

skills.

Assessment expectations

Guidelines for Submitting Assignments

Assignments must be presented on the date determined by the Instructor, as posted on D2L assignment descriptions. Written work must be submitted via the Dropbox folder on D2L.

Late assignments will only be accepted at the discretion of the Instructor. Permission must be granted prior to the determined due date. Late assignment requests on the due date or after will not be accepted and the student will receive a 0 grade.

Criteria That Must Be Met To Pass

DRAM 416 A/B is an experiential course and attendance is mandatory. Active participation, risk taking and respect for the ensemble, as well as individual progress is a key component to success in this course.

Expectations regarding grading are as follows:

- A student who shows up, does the minimum amount of work and manages to show signs of progress will receive a grade in the neighborhood of a C.
- o A student who participates actively, is curious about the process and applies the work diligently will receive a grade in the neighborhood of a B.
- o A student who really takes on the work, challenges themselves and the group to move forward and goes beyond the minimum of requirements, will receive a grade in the neighborhood of an A.

Guidelines for Formatting Assignments

Specific formatting requirements for each assignment will be detailed on D2L for each project.

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Expectations for Attendance and Participation:

DRAM 416 A/B is an experiential course. Attendance is mandatory as your progress and participation are key to the integration of the techniques being learned. Students must be in the space, ready to work, prior to the scheduled start of class, as class will begin on time. Lateness is not tolerated in the profession, and will not be here. Respectful conduct and support of the work of the ensemble is required. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity afforded by the Instructor's office hours, to clarify the progression of the work and to alleviate any questions they may have about their progress.

Absences and/or lates must be communicated to the Instructor *prior to the start of class, via phone or text message.* Communication through another student is not acceptable.

Students must wear clothing that allows them to move freely - no hats, jeans, belt buckles or short skirts. Wearing layers of clothing is recommended. No gum or tongue piercings. Water bottles that are regularly cleaned are recommended. Personal hygiene is a consideration as students will be working closely with each other, according to the nature of the ensemble.

As Acting is the revelation of the human condition, there is potential for close contact and non-invasive touch in the course work. This will be respectful and part of a dialogue, if needed in particular, in scene work. There is potential for the Instructor to offer suggestions for physical adjustments in the work, to aid the student in advancing their personal process and understanding of the work of an actor. If the student has any questions or concerns with this, please bring this to the attention of the Instructor.

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 section F.1.Grading System and Transcripts of the Calendar: https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/f-1.html.

Grade	Grade Point Value	Description
A+	4.00	Outstanding performance
Α	4.00	Excellent performance
A-	3.70	Approaching excellent performance
B+	3.30	Exceeding good performance
В	3.00	Good performance
B-	2.70	Approaching good performance
C+	2.30	Exceeding satisfactory performance
С	2.00	Satisfactory performance
C-	1.70	Approaching satisfactory performance.
*D+	1.30	Marginal pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject
*D	1.00	Minimal Pass. Insufficient preparation for subsequent courses in the same subject.
F	0.00	Failure. Did not meet course requirements. Several Faculties utilize an F grade that does not carry weight in calculating the grade point average. This will be noted in the calendar description as "Not Included in GPA" where applicable.
**	0.00	Incomplete. Sufficient work has not been submitted for evaluation, unable to adequately assess. May also be used when a final exam is not submitted.
CR		Completed Requirements. Carries no weight in calculating the grade point average. This will be noted in the calendar description as "Not Included in GPA" where applicable

- 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.
- The following numerical rubric will be applied to arrive at the letter grade:

A+ 100 - 97 A 96 - 93 A- 92 - 90

B+89-86 B 85-83 B-82-80

C+ 79 - 76 C 75 - 73 C- 72 - 70

D+69-65 D 64-60

F < - 60

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 .
Intellectual Property	Course materials created by instructors (including presentations and posted notes, labs, case studies, assignments and exams) remain the intellectual property of the instructor. These materials may NOT be reproduced, redistributed or copied without the explicit consent of the instructor. The posting of course materials to third party websites such as note-sharing sites without permission is prohibited. Sharing of extracts of these course materials with other students enrolled in the course at the same time may be allowed under fair dealing.
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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/