Iowa State University
Symphonic Band
Syllabus

Spring Semester, 2014
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Attendance Policy

Every member of the Symphonic Band is expected to attend all rehearsals and performances. The only acceptable excuses are illness (a medical note from a physician is required), family emergency, or pre-approved academic conflict (exam or field trip in your major area of study). Academic conflicts must be cleared two weeks IN ADVANCE by submitting this IN WRITING to Mr. Smyth.

If you are ill, please call Mr. Smyth before 9:00am on the day of the rehearsal at 294-8017. Following your absence you must provide Mr. Smyth with written verification of your absence or it will be considered unexcused.

All members of the Symphonic Band are expected to be in place with all materials (horn, mutes, reeds, etc) by 11:00am

Evaluation

Grades will be based on rehearsal participation, preparation, and sectional attendance. Preparation is defined as both physical (horn, mute, reeds, sticks, etc) and musical (music practiced, part marked, etc...).

Each member will receive a final grade based on the following system:

Rehearsals - 5 points per day (on time and prepared)
Performances - 35 points per concert or dress rehearsal on time with all materials and wearing proper attire.
Sectionals - 7.5 points per sectional (5 required for the semester)

Total numbers of points are the averaged (300 total) for your final grade using the following scale:

97% - A (290 points)
95% - B (285 points)
92.5 - C (280 points)
90% - D (275 points)
less than 90% - F

An unexcused absence from a performance will result in a failing grade.
**Concert Dress- NEW!!!**

Men: black button down dress shirt; black dress slacks (no jeans or faded Dockers), black shoes, and black socks.

Ladies: all black long sleeve top, black dress slacks (no yoga pants or tights), black nylons/socks, black shoes (no sandals or open toes).

**Music**

You are responsible for your own folder – please take it with you after rehearsal. There is a fine of $2.00 per page for lost music and a $20.00 fine for a lost music folder.

A rehearsal schedule will be sent via email and posted on the band bulletin board. Please check this schedule regularly and come to rehearsal with your music PREPARED. Remember, practice is done alone while rehearsal is done with others. Please practice BEFORE you rehearse.

**Disability Statement**

If you have a documented disability and anticipate needing accommodations in this course, please make arrangements to meet with me soon. Please request that a Disability Resources staff send a SAAR form verifying your disability and specifying the accommodations you will need.

**Rehearsal**

The ISU Symphonic Band will rehearse Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:00 to 11:50am in Room 102 of Music Hall. We will meet every day that we are scheduled unless indicated below. All of our Spring 2014 concerts and dress rehearsals are also listed below.

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