Iowa State University

ISUPE

Percussion Ensemble Syllabus

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Synopsis

ISU Percussion Ensemble (ISUPE) is strongly urged and expected of all percussion majors. The chamber music experience in percussion is essential in developing ensemble skills and further enhancing overall musicianship and comprehensive knowledge. The ensemble also serves as a valuable source of pedagogical training for future percussion teachers. Try to be early, set-up, and ready to start for all rehearsals. If you are on time, you are late! You will not perform on every piece (usually 3-4 pieces for each concert) so you will not be committed to all rehearsal times during the week. When Mr. Coley is out of town students and/or guest faculty will be asked to run rehearsals. ISUPE does 2 main concerts a semester with the possibility of other engagements (outreach, concerts, presentations, etc.) and they are accompanied with dress rehearsal usually the evening before. Please plan your schedules accordingly.

Regular Rehearsals and Dress Rehearsals

Always: Wednesday 1:10-2 and Friday 1:10-3
Occasionally: Another hour will be established due to many class conflicts with times above.

Dress rehearsals: Saturday 9/11 TBA
Monday, 10/18 7pm
Sunday, 10/7 TBA

Concerts

Sunday, September 12 :: 3pm :: central campus lawn at Campanile
Sunday, September 26 :: TBA :: Octagon Arts Festival :: downtown Ames
Tuesday, October 19 :: 7:30pm :: METRH :: shared with Wind Ensemble
Monday, November 8 :: 7:30pm :: METRH :: Cory Hills, guest artist

Grading
Grades will be determined by level of preparedness, commitment, and attendance. All concerts are naturally mandatory. Rehearsal conflicts with classes and other ensemble rehearsals will be dealt with to a point, but remember ISUPE is also a class and it involves rehearsals, so maybe you should miss the other event...? Rehearsals missed with no explanation will lower your grade.