Welcome to the ISU Flute Ensemble!

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Rehearsal: W 1:10-2:00 (METRH)

Congratulations for being accepted into The ISU Flute Ensemble! This ensemble is a select group of student musicians dedicated to learning more about the intricacies of ensemble playing while sharing music with the community. It is my goal to offer you a challenging musical experience while maintaining a pleasant learning environment.

Course Policies

1. Attendance - In order to accomplish excellence in performance, it is essential that all persons attend all rehearsals. You must speak with me beforehand (in person or by phone) with regards to any anticipated absences if you wish to have them considered excused. Do not email me this information. Your grade will be lowered one letter grade for each unexcused absence.

2. Rehearsals – You will be graded on attitude, cooperation, and preparedness. We can still have fun but expect me to be demanding and likely to call on individuals to play (for reasons of demonstration, pitch work, or other rehearsal techniques). Since you are a select group, I will be expecting musical excellence!! Be musically prepared for each rehearsal. The practice room is designed for learning your own part, while the rehearsal time is reserved for learning everyone else’s parts. There are professional opportunities for the flute ensembles, so professional musicianship will be expected of each member.

3. Individual playing quiz - You may be asked to meet with me in my office to play any excerpt from the music on which we are preparing for a concert. You will know the date at least one week in advance and I will try to accomplish it just before, during, or right after ensemble rehearsal. At this time we can work on any problems you may be having with the music.
Requirements

1. Semester Music Hall Concerts – Attendance and participation is required. The ISU Flute Ensemble Concert is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 1st at 7:30pm. We will have flutist, Greg Pattillo performing with us and will need to have a rehearsal on Wednesday late afternoon/early evening. Please let me know of any complications you may encounter with this concert & rehearsal. **(HINT: CHECK YOUR EXAM SCHEDULE FOR CLASSES OUTSIDE OF MUSIC HALL).** Please check your availability, letting me know asap.

2. Please be prompt. You should have your flute out and be ready to play at ten minutes after the hour. My intent is that we are able to spend as much time **MAKING MUSIC!**

3. Community Performances – These opportunities are increasing due to the fine reputation the group has established. Participation in these performances is strongly encouraged but **not required unless** you are unable to perform on the other required concert. This fall we may decide to perform on a Friday Soiree (we will talk about this and decide, as a group).

**PLEASE NOTE:** As a member of a Department of Music & Theatre musical ensemble (band/orchestra/choir/others), we assume that you waive the right for your image and related audio for use in advertising/marketing for Iowa State University. If this is not acceptable, you must notify your course instructor, and the department chair of Music & Theatre, in writing, by the 10th day of the semester.

Extra Credit

I am willing to offer extra credit for your assistance with conducting and/or coaching, for your ideas on new music or concerts, for your help with administrative duties (such as copying music, filling folders, filing music, etc.) or anything else you can think of!!

Let me know if you have any comments or concerns. I am really looking forward to working with all of you in what I know will be a satisfying year of chamber music making!

Learning Outcomes

You will:
• demonstrate the ability to perform a variety of music with attention to several musical factors, including style, articulation, dynamics, blend and balance, intonation, rhythm, and phrasing.
• acquire knowledge of the repertoire to be performed, including a historical and cultural context.
• demonstrate the ability to successfully contribute in a cooperative learning environment.
ISU Policies

Free Expression Iowa State University supports and upholds the First Amendment protection of freedom of speech and the principle of academic freedom in order to foster a learning environment where open inquiry and the vigorous debate of a diversity of ideas are encouraged. Students will not be penalized for the content or viewpoints of their speech as long as student expression in a class context is germane to the subject matter of the class and conveyed in an appropriate manner.

Accessibility Iowa State University is committed to advancing equity, access, and inclusion for students with disabilities. Promoting these values entails providing reasonable accommodations where barriers exist to students’ full participation in higher education. Students in need of accommodations or who experience accessibility-related barriers to learning should work with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) to identify resources and support available to them. Staff at SAS collaborate with students and campus partners to coordinate accommodations and to further the academic excellence of students with disabilities. Information about SAS is available online at www.sas.dso.iastate.edu, by email at accessibility@iastate.edu, or by phone at 515-294-7220.

Academic Dishonesty The class will follow Iowa State University’s policy on academic misconduct (5.1 in the Student Code of Conduct). Students are responsible for adhering to university policy and the expectations in the course syllabus and on coursework and exams, and for following directions given by faculty, instructors, and Testing Center regulations related to coursework, assessments, and exams. Anyone suspected of academic misconduct will be reported to the Office of Student Conduct in the Dean of Students Office. Information about academic integrity and the value of completing academic work honestly can be found in the Iowa State University Academic Integrity Tutorial.

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Mental Health and Well-Being Resources Iowa State University is committed to proactively facilitating all students’ well-being. Resources are available on the ISU Student Health and Wellness website (https://www.cyclonehealth.iastate.edu/)

Prep Week This class follows the Iowa State University Prep Week policy as noted the ISU Policy Library; as well as section 10.6.4 of the Faculty Handbook. Visit the ISU Policy Library website.

Religious Accommodation Iowa State University welcomes diversity of religious beliefs and practices, recognizing the contributions differing experiences and viewpoints can bring to the community. There may be times when an academic requirement conflicts with religious observances and practices. If that happens, students may request reasonable accommodation for religious practices. In all cases, you must put your request in writing. The instructor will review the situation in an effort to provide a reasonable accommodation when possible to do so without fundamentally altering a course. For students, you should first discuss the conflict and your requested accommodation with your professor at the earliest possible time. You or your instructor may also seek assistance from the Dean of Students Office website (http://dso.iastate.edu/) or via phone 515-294-1020 or the Office of Equal Opportunity website (https://www.eoc.iastate.edu/) or via phone 515-294-7612.

Contact Information If you are experiencing, or have experienced, a problem with any of the above issues, email academicissues@iastate.edu.