IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
SYMPHONIC BAND – MUSIC 115

Syllabus
Spring Semester, 2024
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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, family emergency, or pre-approved academic conflict, e.g. an exam or field trip in your major area of study. Academic conflicts must be cleared four weeks IN ADVANCE by submitting this via email to Mr. Carichner.

If you are ill, please email Mr. Carichner before 10:00 am on the day of the rehearsal at cbc@iastate.edu.

All members of the Symphonic Band are expected to be in place -- with a working instrument (mutes, good reeds, etc.), music and pencil -- warmed-up and ready to play by 11:00 am for every rehearsal.

Evaluation
Grades will be based on rehearsal participation, evidence of preparation outside of rehearsal, and each member’s general conduct, attitude, and contribution to the enrichment of the group effort. Members of the Symphonic Band need to work together (cooperative learning!) towards the common goal of making music to the absolute best of our abilities.

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

Rehearsals = More than 1 unexcused absence per concert set will result in an automatic reduction of half a letter.

Performances = If you are absent and unexcused from a performance, you will receive a failing grade for the semester.

Concert Dress
Option A – long-sleeve black shirts with collars (not polo-type shirts), long black pants, black socks and shoes.

Option B – long-sleeve black shirts (or minimum ¾ length sleeve), long black pants or long black skirt (must be below the knee), black socks and shoes. No open-toed shoes.

Music
You are responsible for your own folder - please take it with you after rehearsal. There will be a fine of $20.00 for a lost music folder.

A rehearsal schedule will be sent frequently throughout the semester. Please check this schedule regularly and come to rehearsal with your music PREPARED IN ADVANCE.
Use of Your Image and Related Audio
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 in writing by the 10th day of the semester.

Learning Outcomes
The student 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.