University of Tennessee Orchestra Program
MUEN 370  MUEN 570
James Fellenbaum, Director
2013-2014 Orchestra Syllabus, Policies, and Schedule

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Class Day and Time MWF 1:25-3:20pm

Grading Based on Rehearsals: preparation, attendance and playing tests.
Based on Concerts: performance, attendance, concert dress, concert etiquette.

Description Performance of Symphonic, Chamber, Operatic, and Contemporary Music
Ensemble literature, during orchestral concerts each semester.

Preparation Regular, consistent individual practice outside of rehearsal.
Weekly sectional rehearsals outside of regular class time.
Listening to at least 3 recordings of the concert repertoire with part in hand.
CDs from Music Library or Personal CDs
Classical.com found on http://www.lib.utk.edu/music
iTunes, Rhapsody, Spotify, or other online download services

Playing Tests Playing tests will be administered each concert cycle, as needed. Grading will factor into the overall grade of the concert, and semester.

Sectionals A minimum of one hour, a maximum of two hours. Once per week, outside of orchestra time.

Music Music assigned to each member must be kept safe and well maintained, and must be returned in good condition immediately following each performance – leave folder on the stand or place in library box. Music is to be brought to each rehearsal and performance, and lost or damaged parts will be the financial responsibility of each member – fines or replacement fees will be assessed.

Central Objectives By the end of this course, you should be able to communicate clearly and effectively about orchestra music through ensemble concerts, by applying enhanced performance skills developed by group rehearsals and individual practice.

Degree Objectives Demonstrate the ability to communicate clearly and effectively about the art of music for a professional audience.
Attendance is mandatory. Please arrive and warm up a minimum of 10-15 minutes or more prior to rehearsal. You are required to be in your seat by 5 minutes before 1:25pm. Every member of the orchestra is expected to be prompt, warmed-up and ready to play.

No unexcused absences allowed. Unexcused absences will result in lowering your grade.

- Unexcused tardy: 1/3 letter grade
- Unexcused absence: 1 letter grade
- Unexcused concert absence: “F” grade

If you must be absent from Orchestra, please notify the Director of Orchestras at least one week in advance by email. There is to be no variation on this procedure. Written absence requests should be emailed to the Director of Orchestras: jfellenbaum@utk.edu by the person requesting the absence. Do not write an email for another person, or include someone else in your own request. Illness, family emergencies, orchestra/school auditions and other excuses approved by the Director of Orchestras are the only excuses acceptable.

Last-minute absences, on the day of a rehearsal: you must contact me, by email, PRIOR to the start time of class (1:25pm).

Do not plan holiday or break travel before the official start of a University holiday or recess.

In rehearsals

No cell phones allowed. Leave in your instrument cases, or lockers. No food or beverages, other than water in a sealed-top container.

Schedule

Website: [http://www.music.utk.edu/symphony](http://www.music.utk.edu/symphony)
click on Student Information

Email: Weekly Updates

Concert Dress

Men: Black tuxedo, black bowtie, black shoes, socks, and accessories, white shirt. No cologne.

Ladies: Ankle-length black attire with long sleeves, black shoes, black accessories. No perfume.
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More information at
http://www.music.utk.edu/symphony
Dear Student,

The purpose of this Campus Syllabus is to provide you with important information that is common across courses at UT. Please observe the following policies and familiarize yourself with the university resources listed below. At UT, we are committed to providing you with a high quality learning experience.

I wish you the best for a successful and productive semester.

Provost Susan Martin

**UNIVERSITY CIVILITY STATEMENT**

Civility is genuine respect and regard for others; politeness, consideration, tact, good manners, graciousness, cordiality, affinity, amiability and courteousness. Civility enhances academic freedom and integrity, and is a prerequisite to the free exchange of ideas and knowledge in the learning community. Our community consists of students, faculty, staff, alumni, and campus visitors. Community members affect each other’s well-being and have a shared interest in creating and sustaining an environment where all community members and their points of view are valued and respected.

Affirming the value of each member of the university community, the campus asks that all its members adhere to the principles of civility and community adopted by the campus: http://civility.utk.edu.

**ACADEMIC INTEGRITY**

“An essential feature of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville is a commitment to maintaining an atmosphere of intellectual integrity and academic honesty. As a student of the university, I pledge that I will neither knowingly give nor receive any inappropriate assistance in academic work, thus affirming my own personal commitment to honor and integrity.”

**DISABILITIES THAT CONSTRAIN LEARNING**

“Any student who feels he or she may need an accommodation based on the impact of a disability should contact the Office of Disability Services (ODS) at 865-974-6087 in 2227 Dunford Hall to document their eligibility for services. ODS will work with students and faculty to coordinate reasonable accommodations for students with documented disabilities.”

**YOUR ROLE IN IMPROVING TEACHING AND LEARNING THROUGH COURSE ASSESSMENT**

At UT, it is our collective responsibility to improve the state of teaching and learning. During the semester, you may be requested to assess aspects of this course either during class or at the completion of the class. You are encouraged to respond to these various forms of assessment as a means of continuing to improve the quality of the UT learning experience.

**KEY RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS:**

- Undergraduate Catalog: [http://catalog.utk.edu](http://catalog.utk.edu) (Listing of academic programs, courses, and policies)
- Hilltopics: [http://dss.utk.edu/hilltopics](http://dss.utk.edu/hilltopics) (Campus and academic policies, procedures and standards of conduct)
- Course Timetable: [https://bannermgr.utk.edu/kbarrp.breckschulp_drep_drep_schedule](https://bannermgr.utk.edu/kbarrp.breckschulp_drep_drep_schedule) (Schedule of classes)
- Academic Planning: [http://www.utk.edu/advising](http://www.utk.edu/advising) (Advising resources, course requirements, and major guides)
- Student Success Center: [http://studentsuccess.utk.edu](http://studentsuccess.utk.edu) (Academic support resources)
- Library: [http://www.lib.utk.edu](http://www.lib.utk.edu) (Access to library resources, databases, course reserves, and services)
- Career Services: [http://career.utk.edu](http://career.utk.edu) (Career counseling and resources; HIRE-A-VOL job search system)