Department of Commercial Music

Mission
To prepare students personally and professionally for careers in the music industry, the Department of Commercial Music focuses on development and integration of skills in the areas of music business, composition and arranging, live and studio performance, and audio recording and production. The combination of internship opportunities, an ever-growing network of working APU alumni, and faculty who are also experienced professionals offers students access to strategic links within the Los Angeles music industry.

Department Overview
The Department of Commercial Music emphasizes preparation for careers in the music industry. Coursework focuses on music business, commercial composition and arranging, audio recording technology, and instrumental and vocal performance.

The department’s Bachelor of Music in Commercial Music prepares students for careers in the Christian and secular commercial music industries. The program produces broadly prepared musicians who possess the skills required for a variety of careers in commercial music and who are able to learn and adapt to new skills and practices in an ever-changing field. Students pursuing this degree select from one of five tracks: Audio Recording, Composing/Arranging, Instrumental Performance, Music Business, and Vocal Performance.

Bachelor of Music in Commercial Music (http://catalog.apu.edu/undergraduate/music-arts/school-music/commercial-music/commercial-music-bm)

MUS 1B1, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 1B2, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 1C1, Applied Composition Class, 1-4 Units
This course offers beginning experiences in composition, basic elements of texture, analytical listening, writing melody, simple harmony, and notational conventions.
Special Fee Applies Pre- or corequisite: MUS 121 and MUS 296

MUS 1C2, Applied Composition Class, 1-4 Units
This course further experiences in composition, basic elements of style, and harmonic rhythm, contrast, texture and instrumentation.
Special Fee Applies Prerequisite: MUS 121 and MUS 122 and MUS 296

MUS 1D1, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 1D2, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 1S1, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 1S2, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 1W1, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 1W2, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course offers applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 2B1, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1B1. Applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 2B2, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1B2. Applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 2D1, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1D1. Applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 2D2, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1D2. Applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 2S1, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1S1. Applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 2S2, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1S2. Applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 2W1, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1W1. Applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 2W2, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 1W2. Applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3B1, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2B1. Applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3B2, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2B2. Applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3D1, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2D1. Applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3D2, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2D2. Applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3S1, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2S1. Applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3S2, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2S2. Applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3W1, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2W1. Applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 3W2, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 2W2. Applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 4B1, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3B1. Applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 4B2, Applied Brass, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3B2. Applied instruction in brass instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 4D1, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3D1. Applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 4D2, Applied Percussion, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3D2. Applied instruction in percussion instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 4S1, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3S1. Applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 4S2, Applied Strings, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3S2. Applied instruction in string instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 4W1, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3W1. Applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 4W2, Applied Woodwinds, 1-4 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 3W2. Applied instruction in woodwind instruments; open to music majors and nonmusic majors.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 99, Beginning Musicianship, 1 Unit
This course offers beginning experiences in music reading and dictation, stressing pitch centering-matching, pitch memory, and recognition with an introduction to simple solfege. This course does not count toward total units needed for graduation.

MUS 100, Preparatory Organ, 1-3 Units
This course is for the student who requires additional study to reach the college level of performance. This course does not meet the curriculum requirements for the music major or minor.

MUS 101, Beginning Voice Class, 1 Unit
Students learn the basic principles of effective singing and performing in a group setting. By actively participating in warm-up exercises, carefully observing other performers, and taking advantage of solo opportunities, students learn how to sing with greater freedom, power, and resonance. A study of vocal literature is also included.

MUS 102, Intermediate Voice Class, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 101. This course may be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: MUS 101

MUS 103, Beginning Piano Class, 1 Unit
This course offers an introductory study of the piano keyboard, including keyboard harmony, piano technique, transposition, sight-reading, improvisation, and ensemble playing.

MUS 104, Elementary Piano Class, 1 Unit
This course continues the study of the piano keyboard, including keyboard harmony, piano technique, transposition, sight-reading, improvisation, and ensemble playing.
Prerequisite: MUS 103 or by audition

MUS 105, Intermediate Piano Class, 1 Unit
Students receive a functional study of the piano keyboard, including keyboard harmony, piano technique, transposition, sight-reading, improvisation, and ensemble playing.
Prerequisite: MUS 104 or by audition
MUS 106, Advanced - Intermediate Piano Class, 1 Unit
This is a continued study of the piano keyboard, including keyboard harmony, piano technique, transposition, sight-reading, improvisation, and ensemble playing.
Prerequisite: MUS 105 or by audition

MUS 107, Advanced - Intermediate Piano Class, 1 Unit
This is a continued study of the piano keyboard, including keyboard harmony, piano technique, transposition, sight-reading, improvisation, and ensemble playing.
Prerequisite: MUS 106 or by audition

MUS 108, Advanced Piano Class, 1 Unit
This is a continued study of the piano keyboard, including keyboard harmony, piano technique, transposition, sight-reading, improvisation, and ensemble playing.
Prerequisite: MUS 107 or by audition

MUS 110, Elementary Guitar Methods, 1 Unit
This course is designed to teach the fundamentals of guitar in order to equip students to use the guitar in a classroom situation to teach music. Students must supply their own instruments.

MUS 111, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
This course provides study in correct posture, breathing, and vocal technique.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 112, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 111.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 111

MUS 113, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
Major and minor scales and corresponding arpeggios in four octaves at moderate tempo are studied. Exercises such as Hanon's, Bach Inventions, earlier sonatas by Viennese classicists, Chopin Preludes, and comparable works from Romantic and 20th century composers are included. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 114, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 113. In addition to weekly private lessons, students attend a group master class each week.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 113

MUS 115, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This course provides technical studies of Gleason; simple compositions of the Renaissance and Baroque periods; Bach, easier preludes and fugues; and chorales from the Orgelbuchlein.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: Instructor Consent

MUS 116, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 115.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 115

MUS 118, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This course provides vocal instruction in a small-group setting (maximum of four students per class). Emphasis is on basic vocal technique, vocal exercises, vocal health, and song literature of various styles (classical, Christian contemporary, Broadway, popular, etc.). Literature studies is chosen at the instructor's discretion, but with the students' specific needs in mind. Solo performance is required within the class setting. This class is designed primarily for the non-music major, particularly APU choral singers, but may be used by nonvocal emphasis music majors to fulfill core requirement in voice class or applied voice.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 119, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 118.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 120, Music Fundamentals, 3 Units
Music symbols, rhythm, sight-singing, and notation are introduced. This refresher course may be required for prospective music majors and minors and ensemble members at the discretion of the School of Music. No music credit is given to music majors or minors who take this course. Meets the General Education Requirement: Humanities: Fine Arts.

MUS 121, Music Theory I, 3 Units
Students study scales, modes, melody, phrase, cadence, intervals, simple two-part counterpoint, primary and secondary chords, and inversions. The course includes ear training, simple keyboard harmony, and four-part writing. Concurrent enrollment in MUS 133 Practical Musicianship I is recommended. Meets the General Education Requirement: Humanities: Fine Arts.

MUS 122, Music Theory II, 3 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 121. Concurrent enrollment in MUS 134 Practical Musicianship II is recommended.
Prerequisite: MUS 121 or Instructor's permission

MUS 130, Jubilant Song Ladies' Choir, 1 Unit
Entrance is gained by audition only. Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 131, Jubilant Song Ladies' Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 130.

MUS 133, Practical Musicianship I, 1 Unit
This course focuses on sight singing and dictation of primarily diatonic music using a variety of instructional techniques, including solfege, Kodaly methods, computer-based approaches, and self-dictation.

MUS 134, Practical Musicianship II, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 133.
Prerequisite: MUS 133 or instructor's permission

MUS 140, University Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 141, University Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 140.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 142, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
As part of APU’s Symphonic Band, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 143, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 142.

MUS 144, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 145, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 144.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 146, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
Members perform music for the historical African American sacred and contemporary repertoire, including spirituals, Gospel, church songs, community choir songs, contemporary Gospel, and original compositions and arrangements. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 147, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 146. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 151, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
Formed and rehearsed under faculty guidance, the ensemble performs at various times throughout the semester. This elective course provides small group experience for the music student. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 152, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 151.

MUS 153, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
Formed and rehearsed under faculty guidance, the ensemble performs at various times throughout the semester. This elective course provides small-group experience for the music student. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 154, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 153.

MUS 155, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
Formed and rehearsed under faculty guidance, the ensemble performs at various times throughout the semester. This elective course provides small-group experience for the music student. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 156, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 155.

MUS 157, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
Formed and rehearsed under faculty guidance, the ensemble performs at various times throughout the semester. This elective course provides small-group experience for the music student. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 158, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 157.

MUS 160, Worship Leadership Formation, 2 Units
This course introduces students to the field of music and worship within various ministry contexts. By surveying the historical practice and philosophical foundations for music ministry, students are encouraged to explore the relationship between their individual strengths, abilities, and passions and this field of ministry. Students are introduced to vocational options in music and worship ministry and presented with a holistic picture of the musician as minister.

MUS 170, Oratorio Choir, 1 Unit
This choir is composed of all music majors and minors. A public performance of major choral works is given each semester.

MUS 172, Recorder Lab, 1 Unit
Music of the Renaissance and Baroque periods is performed on ancient instruments, including recorders, krumm horns, gambas, sackbuts, and natural trumpets.

MUS 173, Men's Chorale, 1.00 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 174, Men's Chorale, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 173.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 180, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
Handbells provide an opportunity for students to expand and refine their musical skills. Through traditional and contemporary music, students are exposed to an array of different styles of music. Performances are scheduled throughout the year. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 181, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 180.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 182, Jazz and Commercial Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is an "augmented" big band ensemble and intended to prepare performers for a wide range of performance situations, including live and recording venues. Reading and musical interpretation are stressed. This group is recorded by the Audio Recording class(es), and students learn professional attitudes and techniques toward performance in all situations. Except for unusual situations, concurrent enrollment in other ensembles and/or private lessons may be required. May be repeated for credit, though only two upper-division units may count toward the commercial music concentration. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 183, Jazz and Commercial Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 182.

MUS 187, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
As part of APU's Wind Ensemble, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance, including a yearly tour. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition or instructor's consent. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 188, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 187.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 191, Jazz Improvisation Workshop, 1 Unit
This class is normally taken by students who have completed MUS 122 Music Theory II, though the instructor may make exceptions. Small combo-based approaches to jazz improvisation, jazz chords and scales, blues, various styles, etc., are covered. Students are grouped by experience level in combos. This class is intended to prepare performers for a wide range of performance situations, including live and recording venues, particularly casuals and small session work. This group is recorded by the Audio Recording class(es), and students learn professional attitudes and techniques toward performance in all situations. Except for unusual situations, concurrent enrollment in other ensembles and/or private lessons may be required. May be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: MUS 122

MUS 192, Jazz Improvisation Workshop, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 191.

MUS 201, Introduction to World Music, 3 Units
This course is an introduction to classical, popular, and folk music traditions from around the world. Case studies are drawn from Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, India, Indonesia, Latin America, the Middle East, and native North America. Course discussions focus on the interactions between music and belief systems, contexts, aesthetics and history, and examine the social organization of music, the components of musical repertoire, and the impact of material culture. Basic theories and methodologies of ethnomusicology are utilized. The course includes lectures, reading, extensive listening, and a group fieldwork project. The course is appropriate for majors and nonmajors. Meets the General Education Requirement: Intercultural Competence.

MUS 202, Singing The Faith, 3 Units
This course provides a broad overview of the history of Christian congregational singing and various forms, styles, and expressions included in their development. Emphasis is placed on early Christian worship, chant, hymnody, global hymnody, contemporary worship music, and foundational elements of congregational musical practice.

MUS 203, Languages of Worship, 2 Units
This research seminar focuses on the use of sacred action and art forms used in worship, such as music, visual arts, literature, drama, film, architecture, and dance. Students study the creation of sacred space, time, language, movement, symbol, and their theological, historical, and practical applications.

MUS 204, Music of Latin America, 3 Units
This ethnomusicology course teaches students how to listen to, think about, identify, and write about Latin music traditions of the Caribbean and North, Central, and South America. Students interested in world missions, world geography, anthropology, global studies, sociology, history, ethnic diversity, and geopolitics may find this course useful.

MUS 205, Music of Asia, 3 Units
This ethnomusicology course teaches students how to listen to, think about, identify, and write about the classical, popular, and folk music traditions of Asia. Students interested in world missions, world geography, anthropology, global studies, sociology, history, ethnic diversity, and geopolitics may find this course useful.

MUS 206, Introduction to Music Education, 2 Units
Designed for the prospective public school music specialist, the course consists of a study of the objectives, scope, and content of the public school's entire music program. Specific attention is given to music development through choral and instrumental ensembles and specialized music classes for K-12.
MUS 210, Performance Forum, 0 Units
This course allows students to participate with major performing artists in conversational dialogue, and symposiums with area professionals on topics and disciplines that students are actively involved in. In addition, the Performance Forum gives students the opportunity to gain performance experience on stage in front of the music faculty and fellow students.

MUS 211, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
This course provides advanced study in correct vocal technique using various vocalise like Vaccai, Marchesi, Siefer, Concone and others.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 111 and MUS 112

MUS 212, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 211.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 111 and MUS 112

MUS 213, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
Scales and arpeggios at rapid tempo are studied. Exercises such as Czerny's, Bach Sinfonias, intermediate sonatas by Viennese classicists, Chopin Nocturnes, and comparable works from 19th and 20th century composers are stressed. The course offers preparation for upper-division qualifying examination. In addition to weekly private lessons, students attend a group master class each week.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 114

MUS 214, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 213. In addition to weekly private lessons, students attend a group master class each week.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 213

MUS 215, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This course offers continued technical studies, Bach chorale, preludes and fugues, compositions of romantic and contemporary periods, and hymn playing for congregational singing.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 115 and MUS 116, or equivalent

MUS 216, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 215.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 215 or equivalent

MUS 217, Practical Musicianship III, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 134, using mixed diatonic and chromatic materials and more complex rhythms.
Prerequisite: MUS 134 or instructor's permission

MUS 218, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 119.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 219, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 218.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 220, Practical Musicianship IV, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 217, using mixed diatonic and chromatic materials and more complex rhythms.
Prerequisite: MUS 217 or instructor's permission

MUS 221, Music Theory III, 3 Units
Renaissance and Baroque compositional techniques, modulation, chromatic harmony, classical formal structures, and exercises in analysis are studied. Concurrent enrollment in MUS 217 Practical Musicianship III is recommended.
Prerequisite: MUS 122

MUS 222, Music Theory IV, 3 Units
Chromatic nonharmonic tones, chromatically altered chords, harmonic texture, 9th, 11th, and 13th chords, modal harmony, and exercises in analysis are studied. Concurrent enrollment in MUS 222 Practical Musicianship IV is recommended.
Prerequisite: MUS 221
MUS 223, Web-Based Tools, 2 Units
This course gives students practical experience in using Web-based technologies for tasks related to the commercial music industry. Students learn to use Internet tools for remote collaboration, gain experience in Web-based project management, and use Web design tools for creating online portfolios.
Prerequisite: C or higher in MUS 296

MUS 224, Diction for Singers I, 1 Unit
Students study the principles for the International Phonetic Alphabet and apply the principles for the correct pronunciation of Italian and Latin. This class cannot be repeated for credit.
Prerequisite: Sophomore Standing

MUS 225, Madrigal Singers, 1 Unit
Students have the opportunity to participate in an ensemble that performs acapella chamber music from various time periods beginning with the Renaissance. Entrance is gained by audition only.

MUS 227, Diction for Singers II, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 224. Students employ the International Phonetic Alphabet and apply the principles for the correct pronunciation of German, French, English, and Spanish.
Prerequisite: MUS 224

MUS 230, Jubilant Song Ladies' Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.

MUS 231, Jubilant Song Ladies' Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 230.

MUS 232, Guitar Techniques, 1 Unit
This course is designed to prepare music education students to teach guitar in public schools. The course will cover basic guitar techniques as well as problems related to the guitar. Pedagogy, general maintenance, and guitar repair will also be discussed. This course is required for a music education emphasis at Azusa Pacific University.
Prerequisites: MUS 121, MUS 122, or Instructor's consent

MUS 233, Improvisation for Music Education, 1 Unit
This course is designed to provide music education students with a study of methods and materials for teaching improvisation in K-12 schools including general music, bands, choirs, orchestras, pop groups, and world music ensembles. Students engage in improvisation exercises using their principal instrument or voice.
Prerequisites: MUS 122, MUS 134

MUS 242, University Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. Special free applies. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.

MUS 243, University Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 242.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 244, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
As part of APU's Symphonic Band, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 245, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 244.

MUS 246, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 247, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 246.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 248, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 147. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 249, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 248. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 250, Music and Civilization, 3 Units
This course is designed for nonmusic majors and promotes intelligent listening to music of all historical periods. Composers and their music are studied in relation to historical developments of their times. Students are also introduced to elements of music including orchestral instruments. Meets the General Education Requirement: Humanities: Fine Arts.

MUS 250H, Music and Civilization - Honors, 3 Units
This course is designed for nonmusic majors and promotes intelligent listening to music of all historical periods. Composers and their music are studied in relation to historical developments of their times. Students are also introduced to elements of music including orchestral instruments. Meets the General Education Requirement: Humanities: Fine Arts.
Prerequisite: To enroll in the course, must be a student admitted to the Honors Program and be considered a member in "active" status.

MUS 251, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 152.

MUS 252, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 251.

MUS 253, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 154.

MUS 254, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 253.

MUS 255, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 156.

MUS 256, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 255.

MUS 257, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 158.

MUS 258, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 257.

MUS 270, Guitar Ensemble, 1 Unit
This course emphasizes performance of guitar music in quartet, trio, or duo capacities or larger ensembles. Students perform music with other instruments as well as vocalists. Music from the Renaissance to the present day is explored in any number of styles from contemporary to classical, including original arrangements written by students. Students must know how to read music and apply it directly to the guitar fingerboard. This course fulfills the ensemble requirement for music majors who uses the guitar as their primary instrument.

MUS 271, Symphony Orchestra, 1 Unit
The Symphony Orchestra gives musicians practical ensemble experience through rehearsal and public performance. The scope of the literature used is determined by the technical proficiency of the class. The class is also open to the public by audition. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only. May be repeated for credit.

MUS 272, Symphony Orchestra, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 271. Entrance is gained by audition only. May be repeated for credit.

MUS 275, Men's Chorale, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 276, Men's Chorale, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 275.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 281, Chamber Singers, 1 Unit
Students performance of a variety of choral works from all periods of music literature, from early chant through vocal jazz mediums. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 282, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
Handbells provide an opportunity for students to expand and refine their musical skills. Through traditional and contemporary music, students are exposed to an array of different styles of music. Performances are scheduled throughout the year. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 283, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 282.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 285, Music Theater: Minor Roles and Chorus, 1 Unit
Admission to this class is determined by the director. Students study, prepare, and publicly perform entire Broadway musicals or selected portions and receive coaching in the dramatic and musical aspects of performance.

MUS 289, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
As part of APU's Wind Ensemble, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance, including a yearly tour. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition or instructor's consent. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 290, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 289.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 296, Introduction to Music Technology, 2 Units
In this course, students will study the basic concepts pertaining to audio recording, MIDI programming, and music notation software. Students will apply this knowledge by completing a series of musical projects.
Prerequisite: MUS 121 (May be taken concurrently)

MUS 297, Marching Band, 1 Unit
The Marching Band performs pregame and half-time shows at all five home football games. Additionally, the band may perform at other events representing the university such as the Azusa Golden Days Parade and high school marching band performances. The marching band offers an opportunity for music education majors to take leadership positions and have hands-on experience preparing them for future jobs as band directors. The band meets on Mondays from 7-10 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Football games occur on Saturday evenings beginning at 6 p.m. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition. May be repeated for credit. Required minimum GPA is a 2.0.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 301, Music of Africa, 3 Units
This is a survey of sub-Saharan traditional and contemporary music cultures of Africa. It examines the musical and extra musical forces that shape, maintain, and perpetuate Africa's musical and cultural expression. Discussion on the general characteristics, concepts, and ethnomusicological approach to the organization of musical sound and its meaning are emphasized. This class provides an overview of the musical sounds that are prevalent in each geographic region. Students develop ethnomusicological listening skills and the ability to identify aspects of the unity and diversity within the music cultures of traditional and contemporary Africa. This course is appropriate for majors and nonmajors.

MUS 302, Soul Music, 3 Units
This course traces the history and development of African American popular music from the early 17th century to the 21st century with a focus on the concept of soul as an essential aspect of American popular culture. The central goal of this course is to provide students with a foundation of knowledge and aural analytical skill through which they can identify, understand, and appreciate the contributions of soul music to the aesthetic values of contemporary music culture - sacred (Gospel) and secular (rhythm and blues). The course strives to stimulate the imagination and creativity of the student by providing opportunities for their expression. Lectures are augmented with discussions, readings, videos, extensive listening to music samples, and a group term project. Course is appropriate for majors and nonmajors. Meets the General Education Requirement: Intercultural Competence.

MUS 311, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
Students study phrasing, style, and interpretation of vocal literature from the classic through romantic periods, including the song literature of the Church. Selected arias from oratorio and opera are examined.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 212
MUS 312, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 311.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 212

MUS 313, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
Students study scales in thirds, sixths, and tenths, contrary motion, and the corresponding arpeggios. Exercises such as Cortot’s, Bach’s Well-tempered Clavier, easier Etudes of Chopin, romantic Beethoven Sonatas, and other works of comparable difficulty are explored. The course prepares piano performance majors for their junior recitals. Prerequisite: upper-division qualifying examination or by audition
Special Fee Applies

MUS 314, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 313. The course prepares piano performance majors for their junior recitals. In addition to weekly private lessons, students attend a group master class each week. Prerequisite: upper-division qualifying examination or by audition
Special Fee Applies

MUS 315, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This course offers a study of works of all periods and preparation for the student's junior recital.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 316, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 315.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 318, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 219.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 319, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 318.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 320, Keyboard Improvisation, 2 Units
Students study the practical applications of music theory to keyboard playing, including playing from chord charts and “by ear,” improvisation of solos and accompaniments, and making appropriate changes to published piano parts. Melody harmonization in various styles are examined, as well as elements of jazz, pop, and Gospel keyboard styles. Primary emphasis is placed on voicing chords idiomatically, rhythmic “feels,” and melodic styles.

MUS 321, Counterpoint, 3 Units
Strict counterpoint in two, three, and four parts in all species is studied; an introduction to free counterpoint is also provided.
Prerequisite: MUS 221 and MUS 222

MUS 322, Score Preparation and Printing, 2 Units
Students study music copying and manuscript preparation using pen and triangle; printing parts and scores using Logic Audio and Finale.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisites: MUS 121, MUS 122, MUS 296

MUS 323, Arranging and Rehearsal Technique, 3 Units
Students study elements of common commercial styles, acoustic versus synthesizer arranging, score/part preparation, vocal arranging techniques, and arranging for rhythm section. This course is an extension of concepts from MUS 221/222, including reharmonization, texture, countermelody, and voicing. In addition to smaller assignments, student complete 3 large projects, for which the student directs rehearsals in collaboration with Commercial Styles classes, which perform the arrangements.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 222 and MUS 296, or instructor permission

MUS 324, Songwriting, 2 Units
The course teaches the process of songwriting, including lyrical concept, musical style, structure, and an introduction to demo production.
Prerequisite: C grade in one of the following: MUS 121, MUS 122, MUS 221, or MUS 222. MUS 296

MUS 325, Madrigal Singers, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 225.
MUS 326, Live Sound Reinforcement, 2 Units
The course is part of the B.M. in Commercial Music emphasis core. Basic signal flow, microphones, mixing consoles, processors, speakers, mixing techniques, problem solving, and team applications are covered. Students complete a live sound reinforcement project where they are responsible for a musical concert/event.
Prerequisite: MUS 327 or Instructor's consent

MUS 327, Audio I, 2 Units
Basic acoustics review, mixers, microphones, digital digital audio, monitoring systems, studio acoustics, mixing concepts, outboard effects, with applications to audio recording and live sound reinforcement.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 296 or instructor consent

MUS 328, Audio II, 3 Units
This course covers digital audio systems, recording, mixing and editing, mastering, etc. Students complete a multitrack recording using a computer-based audio recording system.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: Pre-Requisites: MUS 327 or Instructor's consent

MUS 329, Keyboard Improvisation, 2 Units
The practical applications of music theory to keyboard playing, including playing from chord charts and "by ear," improvisation of solos and accompaniments, and making appropriate changes to published piano parts are covered in detail. Melodic harmonization in various styles; elements of jazz, pop, and gospel keyboard; voicing chords idiomatically; and rhythmic "feels" are explored.

MUS 330, Elementary Music Methods, 3 Units
This course introduces students to methods and materials for planning and implementing general music experiences for all ages, with concentration on Pre-K through sixth grade children. Students will explore various teaching methods through singing, playing, movement, composition, and listening experiences, instructional techniques including Orff, Kodaly, Dalcroze, as well as learning strategies.
Prerequisites: MUS 206

MUS 331, String Instrument Techniques, 1 Unit
The curriculum offers elementary instruction in the stringed instruments. Careful consideration is given to tone production, bowing, technique, study materials, care of instruments, and teaching procedures. Open to junior and senior music education majors only.

MUS 332, Woodwind Instrument Techniques, 1 Unit
This course provides elementary instruction in the woodwind instruments. Careful consideration is given to tone production, technique, care of instruments, study materials, and teaching procedures. Open to junior and senior music education majors only.

MUS 333, Brass Instrument Techniques, 1 Unit
Students receive elementary instruction in the brass instruments. Careful consideration is given to tone production, technique, care of instruments, study materials, and teaching procedures. Open to junior and senior music education majors only.

MUS 334, Percussion Instrument Techniques, 1 Unit
This course provides elementary instruction in the percussion instruments. Careful consideration is given to technique, care of instruments, study materials, and teaching procedures. Open to junior and senior music education majors only.

MUS 335, Jubilant Song Ladies' Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.

MUS 336, Jubilant Song Ladies' Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 335.

MUS 337, Music Business I, 2 Units
This course is part of the commercial music emphasis core. Students study careers in commercial music, journals of the business, and networking and career development, and receive an overview of the production process for music and post production, and introduction to: A&R, touring, contracting, copyright law, licenses, royalties, mechanicals, publishing and distribution, performing rights organizations, contracts, legal issues, etc. Recommended for first-semester sophomores.
Prerequisite: MUS 337

MUS 338, Music Business II, 2 Units
Selected advanced topics in the music business, including copyright law, licenses, royalties, mechanicals, publishing and distribution, performing rights organizations, contracts, legal issues, etc., are covered.
Prerequisite: MUS 337
MUS 339, Hymnology, 2 Units
The great Christian hymns and hymn tunes are studied in their historical settings. Analysis and interpretation of hymns are offered. Standard hymnals are evaluated.

MUS 340, University Choir & Orchestra, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 341, University Choir & Orchestra, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 340.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 342, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
As part of APU’s Symphonic Band, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 343, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 342.

MUS 344, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 345, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 344.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 346, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 248. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 347, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 346. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 348, Song Literature Survey, 2 Units
This class surveys solo vocal music from the German, French, Italian, Russian, British, American, Spanish, and South American art song repertoire spanning from the Renaissance through the 21st-century (not including opera arias). Class sessions consist of listening and discussing appropriate repertoire, student presentations, and performance. Emphasis is placed on both musical and poetic interpretation. Each student performs a minimum of our times during the semester from this literature.

MUS 349, Intermediate Logic Pro, 3 Units
This course features instruction in plug-in synthesizers, custom instrument creation, keyswitching methods, looping techniques, basic automated mixing, audio editing techniques, audio plug-ins environment window and real-time MIDI processing.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 296

MUS 350, History and Literature of Commercial Music, 3 Units
This course provides a study of commercial music since 1900, with particular emphasis on music in recording for conventional distribution, music for broadcast, music for film, TV and video, etc. Jazz, rock, country-western, hip hop, film music, Christian, and gospel music receive particular attention. Important songwriters, performers, and producers are studied, along with the impact of technology and mass distribution on musical style and the public taste. Students are exposed to the broad array of contemporary musical styles that are “commercial.”
Prerequisites: A grade of "B" or better in both MUS 327 and MUS 337

MUS 351, Ancient, Renaissance, and World Music Literature, 3 Units
This course provides a historical and stylistic study of the repertoire of serious Western music from ancient Greece through the Renaissance, plus other music of people and cultures from around the world. The course includes lectures, reading, listening, reports, and analysis.

MUS 352, Baroque, Classical, and Early Romantic Music Literature, 3 Units
Course content provides a continuation of MUS 351 with emphasis upon the baroque, classical, and early romantic periods. Meets the upper-division writing intensive course requirement. Meets the General Education Requirement: Writing 3: Writing in the Disciplines.
MUS 352H, Baroque, Classical, and Early Romantic Music Literature - Honors, 3 Units
Course content provides a continuation of MUS 351 with emphasis upon the baroque, classical, and early romantic periods. Meets the upper-division writing intensive course requirement. *Meets the General Education Requirement: Writing 3: Writing in the Disciplines.*
**Prerequisite:** To enroll in the course, must be a student admitted to the Honors Program and be considered a member in "active" status.

MUS 353, Concert Music, 1 Unit
Students are guided through listening by attending concerts.

MUS 354, Church Music and Worship, 2 Units
This course acquaints students with current worship practices and trends and provides an analysis of current issues facing church musicians and worship leaders. The curriculum and reading for the course aids students in the critical evaluation of today's worship issues and challenges.
**Prerequisites:** Junior standing and completion of MUS 202 and MUS 203

MUS 355, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 252.

MUS 356, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 355.

MUS 357, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 254.

MUS 358, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 357.

MUS 359, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 256.

MUS 360, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 359.

MUS 361, Introduction to Conducting, 2 Units
Students receive instruction and drills in basic conducting skills, principles of interpretation, and rehearsal techniques for both choral and instrumental music.
**Prerequisite:** MUS 221 and MUS 222

MUS 362, Choral Conducting, 2 Units
Students receive instruction in principles and techniques of conducting choral groups. Attention is given to interpretation, literature, and rehearsal skills. This is a practical course designed to give each student continuing training and experience in choral conducting.
**Prerequisite:** MUS 361

MUS 363, Instrumental Conducting, 2 Units
The principles, techniques, and methods of conducting orchestral and band groups using standard instrumental literature are covered.
**Prerequisite:** MUS 361

MUS 364, Critical Audio Listening Skills, 2 Units
This course covers recording environment terminology, sonic characteristics of microphones, processed audio signals, instruments and sections of instruments. Analysis and study of audio recordings, recording consoles, and variety of acoustic environments is also discussed.
**Prerequisite:** MUS 296 and MUS 327

MUS 365, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 258.

MUS 366, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 365.

MUS 367, Technology for Worship, 2 Units
This course provides the student with an understanding of technologies used for worship arts ministry, including digital and analog audio, lighting, video systems, presentation software and assorted web-based tools for the worship leader. Both philosophical and practical issues in the use of worship arts technology will be discussed.

MUS 371, Symphony Orchestra, 1 Unit
The Symphony Orchestra gives musicians practical ensemble experience through rehearsal and public performance. The scope of the literature used is determined by the technical proficiency of the class. The class is open to the public by audition. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only. May be repeated for credit.
MUS 372, Symphony Orchestra, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 371. May be repeated for credit. Entrance is gained by audition only.

MUS 373, Men’s Chorale, 1.00 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 374, Men’s Chorale, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 373.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 375, Worship Arts Leadership, 2 Units
This course will examine leadership and organizational structures for worship arts ministries in the church and para-church organizations. Attention will be given to processes and structures that effectively organize musicians and artists for worship arts ministry, and give space for God’s work through his people. Topics will include pastoral leadership, artistic team development, information management, facilities, budgets, scheduling, and ministry resources.
Prerequisite: MUS 160

MUS 376, Worship Design, 3 Units
This course provides the student with a beginning framework for planning and designing a service of worship. Both artistic and practical issues are considered as various worship traditions (liturgical, Taize, free church, emergent, traditional, blended, etc.) and related musical styles are examined. Students have an opportunity to lead worship services they have planned and designed and gain experience with the practical components of worship (basic sound reinforcement, acoustics, rehearsal techniques, worship leading, etc.).
Prerequisites: MUS 202, MUS 203

MUS 377, Guitar Fingerboard Harmony, 2 Units
This is a course in direct application of principles of diatonic and chromatic harmony as they are relevant to the guitar fingerboard. Students must have a thorough knowledge of reading music and a basic understanding of fundamentals of harmony and how chords are constructed.
Prerequisites: MUS 121, MUS 122, or Instructor’s consent

MUS 378, Chamber Singers, 1 Unit
Performance of a variety of choral works from all periods of music literature, from early chant through vocal jazz mediums. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 379, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
Handbells provide an opportunity for students to expand and refine their musical skills. Through traditional and contemporary music, students are exposed to an array of different styles of music. Performances are scheduled throughout the year. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 380, Jazz and Commercial Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is an "augmented" big band ensemble and intended to prepare performers for a wide range of performance situations, including live and recording venues. Reading and musical interpretation are stressed. This group is recorded by the Audio Recording class(es), and students learn professional attitudes and techniques toward performance in all situations. Except for unusual situations, concurrent enrollment in other ensembles, and/or private lessons may be required. May be repeated for credit, though only two upper-division units may count toward the Commercial Music emphasis. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 381, Jazz and Commercial Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 380.

MUS 382, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 381.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 383, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
As part of APU’s Wind Ensemble, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance, including a yearly tour. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition or instructor’s consent. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 384, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 383.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 389, Commercial Styles I, 1 Unit
This class is an in-depth study of jazz vocal styles which prepares performers for a wide range of jazz performance situations including live and recording venues. Jazz style and interpretation are stressed and performance opportunities are given throughout the semester.
Prerequisite: C grade or better in one of the following: MUS 121, MUS 122, MUS 221, MUS 222; AND C grade or better in one of the following MUS 133, MUS 134, MUS 217, MUS 220

MUS 390, Commercial Styles II, 1 Unit
A continuation of Commercial Styles I, this course offers an in-depth study of Broadway and pop music vocal styles intended to prepare performers for a wide range of commercial performance situations, including live and recording venues. Broadway and pop music style and interpretation are stressed and performance opportunities will be given throughout the semester.
Prerequisite: C grade or better in one of the following: MUS 121, MUS 122, MUS 221, MUS 222; AND C grade or better in one of the following MUS 133, MUS 134, MUS 217, MUS 220

MUS 391, Jazz Improvisation Workshop, 1 Unit
This class is normally be taken by students who have completed MUS 122 Music Theory II, though the instructor may make exceptions. Small combo-based approaches to jazz improvisation, jazz chords and scales, blues, various styles, etc., are covered. Students are grouped by experience level in combos. This class is intended to prepare performers for a wide range of performance situations, including live and recording venues, particularly casuals and small session work. This group is recorded by the Audio Recording class(es), and students learn professional attitudes and techniques toward performance in all situations. Except for unusual situations, concurrent enrollment in other ensembles and/or private lessons may be required. May be repeated for credit, though only two upper-division units may count toward the commercial music concentration.
Prerequisite: MUS 122

MUS 392, Jazz Improvisation Workshop, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 391.

MUS 393, Junior Recital, 0 Units
Preparation and presentation of the junior recital program (approximately 30 minutes of music) as a requirement of the Bachelor of Music in Performance. This course must be taken during the semester in which the junior recital is presented. Topics include program preparation and research, recital protocol, advanced performance preparation, working with a collaborative performer/accompanist (when applicable). This course is taught by the student's major applied instructor.
Prerequisite: Performance majors to have completed 8 units of major applied area; permission of the applied instructor. Student must be concurrently enrolled in Applied Music in the term that the Junior Recital is presented.

MUS 394, Critical Listening Skills For Audio Recording Professionals, 2 Units
Students study recording environment terminology and sonic manipulation including; sonic characteristics of microphones, processed audio signals, individual musical instruments and sections of instruments. Study and analysis of representative audio recordings, recording consoles, and a variety of acoustic environments is included.
Prerequisite: C or better in both MUS 220 and MUS 326

MUS 396, Advanced Music Technology, 2 Units
Advanced sequencing techniques, orchestral simulation, advanced editing and automated mixing, synthesizer program editing, and system exclusive and program editor/librarian software are covered. The course provides an introduction to MIDI/digital audio hybrid systems and synchronization using LTC, VITC, MIDI clock, and MIDI Timecode. Students complete a large project using these techniques.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 296 and MUS 327

MUS 397, Instrumental Collaboration for Pianists, 2 Units
Students learn to collaborate with instrumentalists in a master class setting. Each major historical period is surveyed, and pianists work with instrumentalists from every family of instruments. Most of the repertoire is sonatas written by prominent composers. Students perform six times during the semester.

MUS 398, Vocal Collaboration for Pianists, 2 Units
Students learn to collaborate with vocalists in a master class setting. Pianists perform Italian, French, German, and American art songs and arias. Emphasis is placed on both musical and poetic interpretation. Students perform six times during the semester.

MUS 399, Keyboard Ensemble, 2 Units
This course offers guided experience in performance of keyboard literature for more than one performer. The class is open to students majoring in piano performance, organ performance, and to other qualified students upon audition and with permission of the instructor. Each student performs six times during the semester.
MUS 404, Instrumental Music Methods, 3 Units
This course is designed to provide music education students with a study of methods and materials for teaching instrumental music in K-12 schools, including concert bands, marching bands, orchestra, jazz and pop groups, and world music ensembles. Students engage in 15 hours of observation as well as practice teaching.
Prerequisites: MUS 206

MUS 405, Choral Music Methods, 3 Units
Designed for the prospective school music specialist, the course will consist of a study of choral methods used in school music programs. Special attention will be given to developing musicality and musicianship through choral ensembles and specialized music classes, including all periods and genres of music.
Prerequisites: MUS 206

MUS 407, Commercial Styles III, 1 Unit
A continuation of Commercial Styles I and II, this course offers an in-depth study of country western, folk and contemporary Christian music vocal styles intended to prepare performers for a wide range of commercial performance situations, including live and recording venues. Country, folk and contemporary Christian music performance style and interpretation are stressed and performance opportunities will be given throughout the semester.
Prerequisite: C grade or better in one of the following: MUS 121, MUS 122, MUS 221, MUS 222; AND C grade or better in one of the following MUS 133, MUS 134, MUS 217, MUS 220

MUS 408, Commercial Styles IV, 1 Unit
A continuation of Commercial Styles I, II and III, this course offers an in-depth study of rock and rhythm & blues (R&B) vocal styles intended to prepare performers for a wide range of commercial performance situations, including live and recording venues. Rock and R&B musical performance style and interpretation are stressed and performance opportunities are given throughout the semester.
Prerequisite: C grade or better in one of the following: MUS 121, MUS 122, MUS 221, MUS 222; AND C grade or better in one of the following MUS 133, MUS 134, MUS 217, MUS 220

MUS 409, Jubilant Song Ladies’ Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.

MUS 410, Jubilant Song Ladies’ Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 409.

MUS 411, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
This course offers continued studies in phrasing and interpretation. Emphasis is placed on repertoire, both sacred and secular, and platform presentation.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 311 and MUS 312

MUS 412, Applied Voice, 1-4 Units
This course offers continued studies in phrasing and interpretation. Emphasis is placed on repertoire, both sacred and secular, and platform presentation. Appearances in recitals comprising literature from the above mentioned may be required at the discretion of the instructor. This may be in addition to the senior recital for the voice major.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 411

MUS 413, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
Virtuoso studies such as Chopin's or Liszt's are examined, and advanced compositions by Bach, Beethoven, Romantic, and 20th-century composers are explored. A study of selected concerti is offered. This course prepares piano performance majors for their senior recitals.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 314

MUS 414, Applied Piano, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 413. The course prepares piano performance majors for their senior recitals. In addition to weekly private lessons, students attend a group master class each week. Prerequisite: upper-division qualifying examination or by audition
Special Fee Applies

MUS 415, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This course offers advanced study of major works of all periods and intense preparation for the student's senior recital.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 416, Applied Organ, 1-4 Units
This is a continuation of MUS 415.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 417, Organ Literature I, 2 Units
This course is a survey of the historical development of the literature for the organ from the Middle Ages through the classical period. Organ builders from these centuries are also discussed. Class sessions consist of listening and discussing repertoire from these periods and sight reading some of the representative literature.

MUS 418, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 319.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 419, Semi-Private Voice, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 418.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 420, Organ Literature II, 2 Units
This course is a survey of the historical development of the literature for the organ from the Romantic period through the 20th-century as well as contemporary works. Discussions include the study of major organ builders during this time.
Prerequisite: Pre-requisite: 2 units of Applied Organ

MUS 421, Choral Arranging, 2 Units
Students learn the techniques of arranging and adapting song materials for choral ensembles of various sizes and compositions.
Prerequisite: MUS 222

MUS 422, 20th Century Compositional Techniques, 3 Units
The stylistic techniques of major composers are reviewed. A major thrust of the class is the presentation of students' compositions.
Prerequisite: MUS 222

MUS 423, Orchestration I, 3 Units
This course provides an introduction to orchestral and symphonic wind ensemble instruments. Scoring exercises for full ensembles and smaller combinations are emphasized.
Prerequisites: MUS 221; prereq or coreq: MUS 222 or instructor consent

MUS 424, Projects in Music Theory, 2 Units
Personalized arranging, composition, and analytical projects are assigned according to the interest and capabilities of the student.
Prerequisite: MUS 221 and MUS 222

MUS 425, Collegium, 1 Unit
The course emphasizes rehearsal and performance of chamber music, especially pre-19th century music. The course is open to students with instructor's permission only.

MUS 426, Collegium, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 425.

MUS 427, Form and Analysis, 3 Units
The forms of music from the 18th century to the present are covered. An analysis of both large and small forms is included.
Prerequisite: MUS 222

MUS 428, Arranging II, 2 Units
Arranging for larger ensembles, more musical styles, arranging for live ensembles versus arranging for recording, advanced harmonic techniques, and textures and melodic procedures is covered. Students complete several small assignments in various styles, and one large project which is recorded by the Audio Recording class(es) or the Production Techniques class.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 323 and MUS 423

MUS 429, Piano Literature I, 2 Units
This course surveys the broad scope of piano literature from the invention of the piano to the early Romantic period. Class sessions consist of listening to and discussing appropriate repertoire and sight-reading of various pieces of the literature. Students are required to read the primary literature (or excerpts) as well as to listen, sight-read, analyze, and recognize, and prepare additional topics from books of secondary literature.

MUS 430, Piano Literature II, 2 Units
This course surveys the broad scope of piano literature from the early Romantic period to the present day. Class sessions consist of listening to and discussing appropriate repertoire and sight-reading of various pieces of the literature.
Prerequisite: MUS 429
MUS 432, Music in the Elementary Schools, 3 Units
Designed for the prospective elementary school teacher, the course consists of the objectives, scope, and content of the elementary school music program as described in the Visual and Performing Arts Framework for California Public School. Active participation in the skills of music and movement are required in order to understand the components and concepts in these performing arts. The course includes supervised practice teaching and opportunities for observation of teaching professionals.

MUS 433, Music Methods for the Elementary and Secondary Schools, 3 Units
This course offers a sequential presentation of methods and materials available for the prospective music teacher of the spectrum of K-12. Widely accepted approaches and philosophies are discussed, including Dalcroze, Kodaly, Orff-Schuwerk, Yamaha, and Susuki. Students engage in guided observation and practice teaching.

MUS 434, Piano Pedagogy, 2 Units
Students study various piano teaching methods and materials. The course includes supervised practice teaching and opportunities for observation of the professor.
Prerequisite: MUS 313 or Instructor's consent

MUS 435, University Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 436, University Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 435.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 437, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 438, Bel Canto Women's Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 437.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 440, Instrumental Pedagogy, 2 Units
Students study the methods and materials used in teaching brass, woodwind, string, or percussion instruments. The area of emphasis is determined by the student's specialization.

MUS 441, Music in Worship, 3 Units
Students survey the history and practice of the use of music in worship services. Emphasis is given to the development of both liturgical and nonliturgical forms of worship. Students are involved in learning effective worship planning as they study the role of the minister, director of music, and organist.

MUS 442, Church Music Administration, 2 Units
Students explore the process of developing the music program of the local church and the relationship of the minister of music to the congregation, music committee, and pastor. A graded choir program, equipment, and general organization are examined.

MUS 443, Vocal Pedagogy, 2 Units
This course covers the study of teaching methods and practices in voice, detailed study of the vocal instrument, and sessions working one-on-one with a beginning voice student.

MUS 444, Seminar in Church Music, 2 Units
This course is a research seminar dealing with contemporary problems in church music. An in-depth investigation of specific church music programs and supervised student assignments involving leadership in the music program of local churches is offered.

MUS 445, Service Playing, 2 Units
This course shows the church musician how to handle the keyboard instruments in various church situations, including weddings, funerals, communions, and aspects of traditional services.

MUS 446, Issues in Church Music, 2 Units
This course provides an analysis of current issues in church music and acquaints students with contemporary worship practices. The curriculum aids students in the evaluation of today's issues from an historical perspective.
MUS 447, Music and Worship Internship I, 2 Units
Students who desire experience in a church music program should take this practicum. Under close faculty supervision, students are assigned specific leadership responsibilities in local churches’ music programs.
Prerequisite: MUS 375; MUS 376 (may be taken concurrently)

MUS 449, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
As part of APU’s Symphonic Band, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.

MUS 450, Symphonic Band, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 449.

MUS 452, Instrumental Music Literature, 2 Units
This course offers a survey of string, woodwind, brass, guitar, or percussion literature considered from its historical, formal, stylistic, and aesthetic aspects. It also includes study of the history and development of the instruments. The course content varies according to the applied performance area of the student.

MUS 453, American Music, 3 Units
Students study the development of American music from early psalmody to contemporary expressions. Music on the frontier, in urban culture, American education, and the Church is explored. A survey of the music of prominent American composers from William Billings to John Cage is included. The course is open to nonmusic majors with the instructor’s consent.

MUS 454, Music and Worship Internship II/Capstone, 2 Units
Under close faculty supervision, students are assigned specific leadership responsibilities in local churches’ music programs. This course concludes with a “capstone project,” coordinated between student and faculty. The project will include a sophisticated level of research, collaboration, creativity, and synthesis of learning acquired through previous coursework in the major. With approval, the project may serve as portfolio material. This course is a continuation of MUS 447.
Prerequisite: MUS 447

MUS 455, Late Romantic and 20th-Century Music Literature, 3 Units
This course provides a study of Western music of the late Romantic and 20th century periods in historical context of broader developments in culture. American music and implications of recent developments, including computer and experimental music, are also included. Meets the General Education Requirement: Humanities: History.
Prerequisite: MUS 121

MUS 456, Choral Literature, 2 Units
Students survey choral compositions from the Renaissance to the present. The course emphasizes the representative works from each of the major historical periods.

MUS 457, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 356.

MUS 458, Chamber Ensemble - Strings, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 457.

MUS 459, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 358.

MUS 460, Chamber Ensemble - Brass, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 459.

MUS 462, Seminar in Conducting, 2 Units
Students study special problems in conducting, conduct choral and instrumental ensembles, observe rehearsals and performances under a master conductor, and research the historical aspects of conducting.
Prerequisite: MUS 361 and MUS 362

MUS 464, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 360.

MUS 465, Chamber Ensemble - Woodwind, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 464.

MUS 466, Audio and Acoustics, 3 Units
This survey course is geared toward students who seek knowledge with basic concepts of acoustical conditions, electronics, sound systems, and recording techniques.
MUS 467, Advanced Pro Tools, 2 Units
This course is a continuation of MUS 471. Additional topics covered include mixing and mastering principles.
Prerequisite: MUS 328 or instructor permission

MUS 469, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 366.

MUS 470, Chamber Ensemble - Percussion, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 469.

MUS 471, Intermediate Pro Tools, 3 Units
This course explores methods for automation, audio editing, basic effects plugins, cue mix, synchronization, recording, and monitoring.
Prerequisite: MUS 327 or Instructor's consent

MUS 472, Audio For Post Production, 2 Units
This course focuses on practical and aesthetic considerations relating to audio post-production. Topics covered include voice-over, ADR, dialogue and music editing, noise reduction, effects, mixing and lay-back.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisite: MUS 467 (may be taken concurrently) or instructor permission

MUS 473, Composing for Film and Television, 3 Units
An introduction to scoring and producing music for films and television, this course covers synchronization, software, compositional approaches; overview of history of film composition; synthetic, "live", and "mixed" approaches. "spotting" a film; and collaborating with a director. Students will score several short scenes and at least one short student film or other film.
Prerequisite: Pre-requisites: MUS 323, MUS 468, MUS 423

MUS 474, Music Career Development, 2 Units
This course provides an in-depth study of music career planning, networking, promotion, advertising, and marketing, with special emphasis on using the internet. Social media, iTunes, internet collaboration and YouTube are covered. Career paths and combinations are explored. An important component of the course is appearance by diverse guest lecturers.
Prerequisite: MUS 223

MUS 475, Men's Chorale, 1 Unit
Students perform sacred classics, hymn arrangements, spirituals, and contemporary Christian music. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required. Entrance is gained by audition only.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 476, Men's Chorale, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 475.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 478, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 346. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 479, Gospel Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 478. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff, and community members. Entrance is gained by audition only. For APU students, a minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 481, Orchestration II, 3 Units
This course offers advanced study in orchestration, stressing the full orchestra and wind ensemble and includes scoring and demo creation using Logic Pro.
Prerequisite: MUS 349 and MUS 423

MUS 483, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
Handbells provide an opportunity for students to expand and refine their musical skills. Through traditional and contemporary music, students are exposed to an array of different styles of music. Performances are scheduled throughout the year. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies
MUS 484, Preparing the Total Performer, 1 Unit
This class provides students with the principles necessary to achieve complete freedom to communicate before audiences. This is accomplished through class participation, performance, and group interaction. Students study essential principles and learn to master the skills necessary to present themselves in any situation. The course includes study of the release of body tension through the Alexander technique, the affect of body movement on an audience, and methods to overcoming fear and anxiety. Students learn to communicate the subtext of a piece/presentation through expressive use of the voice, body, and instrument. A student enrolling in this class should have some skill and experience in the performing or dramatic arts.

MUS 486, Opera Workshop: Lead Roles and Minor Roles, 1 Unit
Students study, prepare, and perform entire operas or selected portions and receive coaching in the dramatic and musical aspects of performance. Admission to this class is determined by the director.

MUS 487, Handbell Choir, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 483.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 489, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
As part of APU's Wind Ensemble, students gain instrumental experience through rehearsal and public performance, including a yearly tour. The ensemble is open to qualified students by audition or instructor's consent. A minimum GPA of 2.0 is required.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 490, Wind Ensemble, 1 Unit
This is a continuation of MUS 489.
Special Fee Applies

MUS 491, Senior Recital, 0 Units
This course includes preparation for and presentation of the senior recital (approximately 60 minutes of music) as a requirement of the Bachelor of Music. This course must be taken during the semester in which the senior recital is presented. Topics include program preparation and research, stage presence, recital protocol, advanced performance preparation, working with a collaborative accompanist (when appropriate). This course is taught by the student's applied instructor. Meets the General Education Requirement: Integrative and Applied Learning.
Prerequisite: Music majors who have completed 12 units of major applied area; permission of instructor. Student must be concurrently enrolled in Applied Music in the term that the Senior Recital is presented.

MUS 492, Senior Project in Commercial Music, 0 Units
This is a capstone course in the Commercial Music Program. Students complete a major project apropos to their track, and equivalent in effort to a senior recital. The project will reflect the student's ability to synthesize and integrate knowledge and skills gained and developed in the course of their Commercial Music studies. Each project will be planned and executed with the assistance and oversight of a faculty advisor. Meets the General Education Requirement: Integrative and Applied Learning.
Prerequisite: Senior standing and instructor consent

MUS 493, Commercial Music Internship, 2 Units
This course offers monitored and evaluated professional work experience for the commercial music major. Under regular and periodic faculty supervision, students are placed in a music business environment related to their area of career interest. Placement is limited to situations available from or approved by the supervising instructor. (Note: Credit for prior experience is not available to fulfill the requirements of this course.)
Prerequisites: MUS 337 and 1 course of BUSI 110, MUS 338, MUS 328, or MUS 428 and Instructor's consent

MUS 495, Production Techniques, 2 Units
The intent of this class is to work in production teams to produce a musical recording project. Each team includes students oriented towards arranging, engineering, music business, and performance. They take on a large project, divide the production tasks, and learn to work as a production team. Topics include session and arrangement planning, budgeting, contracting, preproduction techniques, recording of acoustic and electronic instruments, work process and synchronization, final mix, and mastering. Students are given a budget and use realistic figures for studio time, musicians, tape costs, etc. This is meant to be a shared project, with each student contributing particular skills and orientation to the final product, which can be used as a demonstration of the student's abilities and capacity for working in a production team. As a final step, each student evaluates others on the same production team.
Special Fee Applies
Prerequisites: MUS 327 MUS 428; or MUS 323 MUS 328; or BUSI 110 MUS 338; or 10 units applied study and 1 unit each Jazz Ensemble and Improvisation.

MUS 496, Senior Seminar: Ethics in Music, 3 Units
This senior seminar serves musicians planning to work in the private and/or public sectors, including future full-time church musicians, school music educators, private teachers, performers, and freelance musicians. The course focuses on the integration of Christian faith, ethical issues and professional concerns that confront musicians in the work environment.
Prerequisites: Senior standing, completion of the majority of the units required for God's Word and the Christian Response, and upper-division writing intensive course.
MUS 497, Readings, 1-4 Units
This is a program of study concentrating on assigned readings, discussions, and writing arranged between and designed by a student of upper-division standing and a full-time professor. An independent study fee is assessed for each enrollment in this class.

MUS 498, Directed Research, 1-4 Units
This course provides instruction in research design and technique, and gives students experience in the research process. The 1-unit expectation encompasses no fewer than 30 hours of work with accompanying reading, log, writing, and seminar presentation within the department or in a university research symposium. No more than 1 unit may be used to fulfill preparatory readings requirement. An independent study fee is assessed for each enrollment in this class.
Prerequisite: Junior or Senior Standing

MUS 499, Thesis/Project, 1-4 Units
This is a senior-level "capstone" type of independent study/research experience, involving the student in a unique project with a sophisticated level of creative output or research, synthesis, analysis, and communication. The 1-unit expectation encompasses no fewer than 30 hours of work with accompanying readings, log, instructor discussions, and writing. The thesis or project may result in formal thesis, published article, electronic media, or annotated recital. No more than 1 unit may be used to fulfill preparatory readings requirement. An independent study fee is assessed for each enrollment in this class.
Prerequisites: upper-division writing intensive course completed or instructor's permission; and junior or senior standing.

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