

Department:

Music

Course Description:

This course provides a listening-based approach to the evolutionary development of America's unique jazz art form. The course will cover the American roots of jazz and its early figures, the development of various jazz styles, significant jazz musicians, and the place of jazz in modern music.

Course Competencies:

Upon completion of the course, the student should be able to:

1. Identify key musicians and explain their significance in the development of jazz.
2. Identify and describe the various styles of jazz.
3. In listening, identify jazz styles, titles, and musicians.

Course Content:

- A. Early Jass/Jazz
 1. Ragtime, spirituals, blues
 2. New Orleans and Dixieland jazz
 3. Swing
 4. Duke Ellington
- B. Bebop and Cubop
- C. Cool Jazz
- D. Avant-garde Jazz
- E. Free Jazz
- F. Jazz Rock and Fusion
- G. Pop Music

Learning Assessments:

Course competencies will be assessed by use of quizzes and exams, class exercises, class participation, music journal, and comprehensive final exam.

Instructional Materials:

Jazz, Tanner, Megill, Gerow, 10th Ed., McGraw-Hill, 2005. ISBN: 0073401374

**Guidelines for Requesting Accommodations Based on
Documented Disability or Medical Condition**

It is the intention of Highland Community College to work toward full compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, to make instructional programs accessible to all people, and to provide reasonable accommodations according to the law.

Students should understand that it is their responsibility to self-identify their need(s) for accommodation and that they must provide current, comprehensive diagnosis of a specific disability or medical condition from a qualified professional in order to receive services. Documentation must include specific recommendations for accommodation(s). Documentation should be provided in a timely manner prior to or early in the semester so that the requested accommodation can be considered and, if warranted, arranged.

In order to begin the process all students **must** complete the “Disabilities Self-Identification Form” at this link:
<https://highlandcc.edu/pages/disability-services>.

This form can also be accessed at the Highland Community College homepage under Students Services/Student Resources/Disability Service or by contacting the Disabilities Coordinator.