

REEDLEY COLLEGE COMMUNITY BAND COURSE SYLLABUS

MUSIC 40/380A – Concert/Community Band
Spring 2017 – section 53451/54389 - 1/0 UNITS
2nd and 4th Mondays of each month – Music 170 – 7:00pm -9:30 pm

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TOPICS:

Study and performance of a wide variety of concert band literature in preparation for public performances. One or more public performance(s) required per semester.

PREREQUISITES:

Students must read music and be proficient on a band instrument.

REQUIRED MATERIALS:

Appropriate musical instrument and accessories, musical literature supplied by the instructor to be returned at the end of the semester.

GRADING CRITERIA:

Participation and Effort - 50%

Performance Participation - 50%

FINAL EXAM: Participation in performances

IMPORTANT DATES:

January 27- Last day to register for a class

January 29- Last day to drop to avoid a “W”

March 10- Final drop date. After this date, students will receive a grade.

ATTENDANCE:

If you need to miss a rehearsal or will arrive late to a rehearsal, please notify the director as soon as possible. The director plans rehearsals assuming she will have the whole ensemble in attendance. A member may be excluded from performing at the director’s discretion for excessive absences or tardiness. *If you are unable to perform at a concert, please notify the director as soon as possible to ensure that another player can cover your part.*

REHEARSAL ETIQUETTE:

The following will help us have efficient rehearsals.

1. Having the whole band in attendance- When players are missing it is difficult to rehearse.
2. Beginning and ending on time- Please arrive early enough to be ready to play by 7:05 and return promptly from the break.

3. Minimizing talking and distractions- If you must talk to your section to clarify something in the music, please do it quietly.
4. Being prepared for rehearsal- Bring all music and required materials to every rehearsal. If you have a challenging passage in your music, please practice it before the next rehearsal.
5. Retaining what we rehearse- Write reminders in your music and review between rehearsals so we don't have to rehearse the same things each time.

CONCERT ATTIRE:

The following attire is required for performances so the band has a uniform and professional appearance.

Men: Black dress pants, white dress shirt, black tie, black suit jacket, black socks, black dress shoes

Women: Black dress or black dress pants/skirt with black blouse, black stockings, black dress shoes. Skirts and dresses should cover the knees when seated. No sleeveless tops.

SPRING 2017 SCHEDULE:

Rehearsals: 1/9, 1/23, 2/13, 2/27

March Concert: 3/4, 3:00 p.m. @ RHS PAT

Rehearsals: 3/13, 3/27, 4/10, 4/24, 5/5*

May Concert: 5/6, 3:00 p.m. @ RHS PAT

*Dress rehearsal