

ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE  
SYLLABUS

MUS 224 PIANO 2B

Credit Hours: 1cr, .6 lec/lab

PREREQUISITE: MUS 223 or MUS 225 and instructor permission required

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This is an applied music individual half-hour per week lesson designed to prepare students for upper division skills on the piano. There will be an added focus on developing proper technique by not only continuing the study of all major and minor scales and arpeggios, but by increasing the study of exercises, such as those by Hanon and Czerny. The student and instructor will meet each week to work on various aspects of piano playing and to build a repertoire of music. This course is required of music majors whose major instrument is the piano.

1. COURSE GOALS

- 1.1 Explore a wider range of repertoire, including technical exercises and all major and minor scales over the entire range of the piano.
- 1.2 Continue the development and improvement of the student's sight reading ability.
- 1.3 Practice and understand appropriate literature, such as the etudes by Hanon and Czerny.
- 1.4 Perform recitals and other public concerts from memory.
- 1.5 Continue the development of proper technique.

2. OUTCOMES

Upon satisfactory completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 2.1 play more complex etudes in preparation for upper division study.
- 2.2 play various technical exercises in preparation for upper division study.
- 2.3 use correct fingerings when playing all major and minor scales and arpeggios in preparation for upper division study.
- 2.4 sight read two staves with both hands playing at the same time in preparation for upper division study.
- 2.5 recognize literature from the major historical periods.
- 2.6 perform pieces from memory in class and in formal and informal recitals.

3. METHODS OF INSTRUCTION

- 3.1 Private one-on-one tutoring on the piano
- 3.2 Musical demonstrations and suggestions for improvement given by the instructor
- 3.3 The selecting of literature from major composers and major historical periods
- 3.4 The selecting of technical material from Czerny, Clementi, Cramer, etc.

4. LEARNING ACTIVITIES

- 4.1 Weekly lesson preparation

- 4.2 Sight reading exercises
- 4.3 Assigned materials practiced and completed
- 4.4 Recital and performance preparation

## 5. EVALUATION

- 5.1 Grades will be earned by an assortment of learning activities, exams, assignments, and participation.
- 5.2 Please see the instructor's class schedule and assignment sheet for more information.

## 6. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 Under AWC Policy, students are expected to attend every session of class in which they are enrolled.
- 6.2 If a student is unable to attend the course or must drop the course for any reason, it will be the responsibility of the student to withdraw from the course. Students who are not attending as of the 45th day of the course will be withdrawn by the instructor. If the student does not withdraw from the course and fails to complete the requirements of the course, the student will receive a failing grade.
- 6.3 Americans with Disabilities Act Accommodations: Arizona Western College provides academic accommodations to students with disabilities through AccessABILITY Resource Services (ARS). ARS provides reasonable and appropriate accommodations to students who have documented disabilities. It is the responsibility of the student to make the ARS Coordinator aware of the need for accommodations in the classroom prior to the beginning of the semester. Students should follow up with their instructors once the semester begins. To make an appointment call the ARS front desk at (928) 344-7674 or ARS Coordinator at (928) 344-7629, in the College Community Center (3C) building, next to Advising.
- 6.4 Academic Integrity: any student participating in acts of academic dishonesty including, but not limited to, copying the work of other students, using unauthorized "crib notes", plagiarism, stealing tests, or forging an instructor's signature will be subject to the procedures and consequences outlined in AWC's Student Code of Conduct.
- 6.5 Texts and Notebooks: students are required to obtain the class materials for the course.
- 6.6 Arizona Western College students are expected to attend every class session in which they are enrolled. To comply with Federal Financial Aid regulations (34 CFR 668.21), Arizona Western College (AWC) has established an Attendance Verification process for "No Show" reporting during the first 10 days of each semester.  
Students who have enrolled but have never attended class may be issued a "No Show" (NS) grade by the professor or instructor and receive a final grade of "NS" on their official academic record. An NS grade may result in a student losing their federal financial aid.  
For online classes, *student attendance in an online class is defined as the following* (FSA Handbook, 2012, 5-90):
  - Submitting an academic assignment
  - Taking an exam, an interactive tutorial or computer-assisted instruction
  - Attending a study group that is assigned by the school
  - Participating in an online discussion about academic matters
  - Initiating contact with a faculty member to ask a question about the academic subject studied in the course