MUS-MUSIC (MUS)

MUS 101G. An Introduction to Music
3 Credits
An introduction to music for the non-music major to encourage the enjoyment of listening to and understanding the world’s great music from the past to the present.

MUS 102. Fundamentals of Music
3 Credits
Introduction to music notation, meter and rhythm, scales, intervals, triads, seventh chords, fundamentals of harmonic progression, and aural skills. For students with little or no music theory background. Traditional Grading with RR.

MUS 103. Ear Training I
1 Credit
To develop the ability to accurately hear, identify, sing and notate musical elements including rhythm, melody, intervals and harmony. Traditional Grading with RR. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): Passing the Theory Placement exam or making a C or better in MUS 102.

MUS 104. Ear Training II
1 Credit
To develop the ability to accurately hear, identify, sing and notate musical elements including rhythm, melody, intervals and harmony. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): Grade of C- or better in MUS 103.

MUS 105. Music Theory I
3 Credits
Introduction to vocabulary and syntax of 4-voice 18th c. chorale music through study and harmonic analysis.
Prerequisite(s): Passing the Theory Placement exam or making a C or better in MUS 102.

MUS 106. Music Theory II
3 Credits
Expansion of vocabulary and syntax of 4-voice 18th c. chorale music through study, harmonic analysis, and part writing.
Prerequisite(s): Grade of C or better in MUS 105.

MUS 117. Jazz Improvisation
2 Credits
Techniques for extemporaneous playing; jazz harmonic practice. Traditional Grading with RR. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C or better in MUS 103 and MUS 105.

MUS 121. Concert and Recital Laboratory
0.5 Credits
Serves as a resource and performance lab for all applied areas of musical study. Music majors are expected to perform during the weekly student recital and must attend a designated number of musical performances during the semester. May be repeated up to 4 credits. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. S/U Grading with RR. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.

MUS 130. Applied Music
1-2 Credits
Private or group instruction for non-music majors, secondary instruments, and music majors preparing for 200-level applied music. May be taken for unlimited credit.

MUS 141. Class Voice I
1 Credit
Group instruction in voice and vocal pedagogy for instrumental Music Education majors, offering basic principles of healthy vocal production with particular attention to diction, development of vocal range, and the ability to impart that knowledge to elementary, junior and/or high school age students. Restricted to: Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.

MUS 145. Functional Piano I
2 Credits
Scales, chords, memorization. Harmonization of simple melodies with the ability to play simple melodies and rhythms. May be taken for unlimited credit. Restricted to music majors. No S/U option.

MUS 146. Functional Piano II
2 Credits
Scales, chords, memorization. Harmonization of simple melodies with the ability to play simple melodies and rhythms. May be taken for unlimited credit. Restricted to music majors. No S/U option.
Prerequisite: MUS 145 or consent of instructor.

MUS 147. Functional Piano III
2 Credits
For music majors preparing for the Piano Proficiency Examination. May be taken for unlimited credit. Restricted to music majors. No S/U option.
Prerequisite: MUS 146 or consent of instructor.

MUS 150. Orchestra
1 Credit
Participation in the Las Cruces Symphony at NMSU. This is a full symphony orchestra concentrating on masterworks of the literature. May be taken for unlimited credit.

MUS 151. Philharmonic Orchestra
1 Credit
The University Philharmonic Orchestra is open to all students and performs a wide variety of standard orchestral literature. The orchestra performs each semester and the objectives include refining technique, stylistic characteristics, intonation, balance, bowings, color, rhythmic integrity and dynamics. May be repeated up to 10 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 160. University Singers
1 Credit
Select concert and touring choir of undergraduate and graduate students performing a cappella and accompanied choral literature. May be repeated up to 10 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): By audition only.

MUS 161. Concert Choir
1 Credit
Campus choir composed of both music and non-music majors. Emphasis on vocal techniques, sight-singing, and basics of choral musicianship. May be taken for unlimited credit.

MUS 162. Master Works Chorus
1 Credit
Combination campus and community chorus. This group will perform the major chorale compositions for orchestra and/or wind ensemble. May be taken for unlimited credit.
MUS 163. Jazz Ensembles  
1 Credit  
Performance ensemble that explore repertoire written for big band, including (but not limited to) dance band, swing, and contemporary compositions. May be repeated up to 10 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** By audition only.  

MUS 164. Chamber Ensembles  
1 Credit  
Small groups of singers and/or instrumentalists that perform chamber music. May be repeated up to 16 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** by audition only.  

MUS 170. Wind Symphony  
1 Credit  
This elite ensemble of 50 highly qualified graduate and undergraduate students performs a varied repertoire of the highest quality literature for winds. Members will also perform concerts of chamber winds literature each semester. This ensemble is dedicated to professional level performance while fostering the musical growth of its members. Conducted by the Director of Bands, this group serves as the flagship for the entire university bands program. May be repeated up to 10 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** By audition only.  

MUS 171. Roadrunner Revue Pep Band  
1 Credit  
For both music and nonmusic majors. Opportunity to perform a variety of music in a showband setting. May be taken for unlimited credit.  
**Prerequisite:** by audition only; contact band office for date and time.  

MUS 172. Marching Band  
1 Credit  
For both music and nonmusic majors. Opportunity to perform all varieties of music in a contemporary styled marching unit. May be taken for unlimited credit.  

MUS 174. Percussion Ensemble  
1 Credit  
Study and performance of contemporary percussion ensemble literature. May be repeated up to 5 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** by audition only.  

MUS 180. Symphonic Band  
1 Credit  
This is a select large ensemble, chosen by audition. It provides a challenging musical environment for skilled performers by programming repertoire that ranges from works for chamber winds, to standards of the wind band literature, to cutting edge literature. Conducted by the Associate Director of Bands, this ensemble is comprised of music majors and non-music majors alike and provides the less experienced student an opportunity to hone and refine performance skills. May be repeated up to 10 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** By audition only.  

MUS 181. Campus Band  
1 Credit  
This is a non-auditioned ensemble designed to meet the needs of students from all majors across campus. Music majors are encouraged to enroll while performing on a secondary instrument. Marching band members are also encouraged to take the course to build skills and leadership. This ensemble provides an educational experience and serves as an outlet for students who wish to remain musically active in a less intense setting. May be repeated up to 10 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  

MUS 201G. History of Jazz in Popular Music: A Blending of Cultures  
3 Credits  
Jazz in popular music as it relates to music history and the development of world cultures.  

MUS 202. An Introduction to World Music, Jazz and Music Research  
3 Credits  
Introduces world music and jazz within a historical and cultural context, considering significant musical figures, forms, genres, styles, and representative works. A major component will be the development of effective research and scholarly writing skills for the music major or minor. May be repeated up to 3 credits. Restricted to: Music majors and minors. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  

MUS 203. Ear Training III  
1 Credit  
Continuation of MUS 104, advanced sight singing, dictation. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** Grade of C- or better in MUS 104.  

MUS 204. Ear Training IV  
1 Credit  
Continuation of MUS 203, advanced sight singing, dictation. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** Grade of C or better in MUS 203 and MUS 205.  

MUS 205. Music Theory III  
3 Credits  
Analysis of Baroque and Classical Music. Vocabulary and syntax of 18th and 19th c. Western art music through study, chordal/formal analysis, and composition. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** Grade of C or better in MUS 106.  

MUS 206. Music Theory IV  
3 Credits  
Analysis of Romantic, Post-Romantic, Impressionist, and Twelve-Tone Music. Vocabulary and syntax of late 19th and early 20th c. Western art music through study, micro/macro analysis, and composition. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.  
**Prerequisite(s):** Grade of C or better in MUS 205.  

MUS 207. Music History and Literature: Antiquity through Baroque  
3 Credits  
Surveys Western art music within a historical and cultural context, considering significant musical figures, forms, genres, styles, and representative works from antiquity through the end of the Baroque era. An additional emphasis will be given to effective research and scholarly writing skills. Restricted to: M ED,MUS majors.  
**Prerequisite(s):** A grade of C- or better in MUS 103, 105, and 202.
MUS 230. Applied Music I
1-4 Credits
Individual instruction to develop technique, musicianship, performance and improvisational skills, as well as knowledge of significant repertoire. May be repeated up to 16 credits. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): Audition.

MUS 250. Introduction to Music Education
2 Credits
Overview of the basic principals and practices of the music education profession in K-12 settings, emphasizing philosophy and history of music education, methodologies commonly utilized in school curricula, music in special education, classroom/rehearsal management and lesson planning. Explores many aspects of public school teaching through class discussions and directed observations. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.

MUS 251. Opera Workshop
1 Credit
Study, translation, analysis, rehearsal and performance of opera. May be repeated up to 10 credits. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 260. Special Topics I
1-3 Credits
Emphasis on special areas of music; designed for highly motivated students. May be taken for unlimited credit.

MUS 261. Functional Piano IV
2 Credits
For music majors preparing for Piano Proficiency Examination. May be taken for unlimited credit. Restricted to music majors. No S/U option.
Prerequisite: MUS 147 or consent of instructor.

MUS 262. Diction I
2 Credits
Introduction to the international phonetic alphabet, and its application to English, Italian, Spanish, and Latin song literature. Main campus only. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.

MUS 263. Diction II
2 Credits
Advanced grammar and detailed study of Italian, German and French diction and song literature for vocal students. Restricted to music majors. Main campus only.
Prerequisite: MUS 262 or consent of instructor.

MUS 273. Introduction to Music Technology
1 Credit
Introduction to uses of technology in musical settings. Practical applications in digital music notation, MIDI sequencing, and digital audio recording. Restricted to: MUS, M ED majors. Traditional Grading with RR. Restricted to Las Cruces campus only.
Prerequisite(s): MUS 105.

MUS 301. Marching Band Techniques
2 Credits
This course will help students develop the techniques needed to administer and teach all aspects of a contemporary high school marching band. This includes drill conception and design, instruction, organization, and administration. Stylistic varieties of marching fundamentals, show conception, fundamentals of charting and teaching drill, computer-aided drill design, traditional show design, contemporary show design, rehearsal techniques, and organizational concepts. Restricted to: Music, Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.

MUS 302. Music History and Literature: Classic through Romantic
3 Credits
Surveys Western art music within a historical and cultural context, considering significant musical figures, forms, genres, styles, and representative works from the beginnings of the Classic era through the end of the Romantic era. An additional emphasis will be given to effective research and scholarly writing skills. Restricted to: Music Majors and Minors majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 207.

MUS 303. Music History and Literature: 20th Century Through the Present
3 Credits
Surveys Western art music within a historical and cultural context, considering significant musical figures, forms, genres, styles, and representative works from the beginning of the 20th Century through the Present. An additional emphasis will be given to effective research and scholarly writing skills. Restricted to: MUS minors and majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 302.

MUS 315. Brass Techniques I
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching high brass instruments, for music education majors. Main campus only.

MUS 316. Brass Techniques II
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching low brass instruments, for music education majors. Main campus only.

MUS 317. Woodwind Techniques I
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching high woodwind instruments, for music education majors. Main campus only.

MUS 318. Woodwind Techniques II
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching saxophone and double reed instruments, for music education majors. Main campus only.

MUS 319. String Techniques I
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching low string instruments, for music education majors. Main campus only.

MUS 320. String Technique II
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching high string instruments, for music education majors. Main campus only.

MUS 321. Instrumental Techniques for Vocal Music Education Majors
2 Credits
Methods of teaching brass, woodwind, percussion, stringed and fretted instruments for vocal music education majors. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.
MUS 322. Guitar Methods
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching guitar, for Music Education majors. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.

MUS 323. Percussion Technique I
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching percussion instruments with a focus on snare drum, timpani and accessory. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.

MUS 324. Percussion Technique II
1 Credit
Methods and techniques of teaching percussion instruments with a focus on keyboard percussion, marching percussion and drum set. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.

MUS 325. Beginning Conducting
1 Credit
A study of the fundamentals of conducting and rehearsal strategies with an emphasis on beginning technique applicable to all ensembles. Reading of musical scores with application via laboratory ensemble experience is included. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 326. Instrumental Conducting
3 Credits
Will continue from MUS 325 in the training for competent musicianship with a focus on conducting gestures and movements, score study, and rehearsal techniques as it relates to the instrumental ensemble. The class will focus primarily on the development of a non-verbal vocabulary that will allow each student to clearly and artistically communicate with the members of an ensemble to solicit a predetermined musical result. May be repeated up to 3 credits. Restricted to: MUS,M ED majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 325.

MUS 327. Choral Conducting
3 Credits
Continuation of conducting study with emphasis on choral rehearsal techniques, ensemble management, and literature. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C or better in MUS 325.

MUS 330. Applied Music II
1-4 Credits
Continuation from MUS 230. Individual instruction to develop technique, musicianship, performance and improvisational skills, as well as knowledge of significant repertoire. May be repeated up to 16 credits. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C or better in MUS 230 plus a juried audition.

MUS 339. Survey of Music Business
3 Credits
Survey of career options and exploration of current events/trends within the Music Industry. Non-Music Business majors may be admitted with instructor's approval.

MUS 340. Junior Recital
1 Credit
Public solo performance under the supervision of the appropriate applied instructor. 30 minutes of musical performance is required. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Corequisite(s): MUS 330.

MUS 346. Elementary Music Methods
2 Credits
Lesson planning, curriculum, teaching methodology, materials, and procedures for teaching music in an elementary school. Emphasis on methodology of Koday and Orff, teaching in a multicultural setting, and developing reflective practitioners. Restricted to: Music Education majors.  
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C or better in MUS 346.

MUS 350. Chamber Music
1 Credit
Small performing ensembles that may include strings, woodwinds, brass, pianos, percussion, and voices. May be repeated up to 16 credits.  
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 351. Opera Workshop
1 Credit
Study, translation analysis, rehearsal and performance of opera. May be repeated up to 10 credits.  
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 360. Special Topics II
1-3 Credits
Emphasis on special areas of music; designed for highly motivated students. May be taken for unlimited credit.

MUS 361. Concert Choir II
1 Credit
Composed of both music and nonmusic majors. Emphasis on vocal techniques, sight-singing, and basics of choral musicianship. Students must assume leadership role. May be repeated up to 88 credits.  
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 362. Philharmonic Orchestra II
1 Credit
The University Philharmonic Orchestra is open to all students and performs a wide variety of standard orchestral literature. The orchestra performs each semester and the objectives include refining technique, stylistic characteristics, intonation, balance, bowings, color, rhythmic integrity and dynamics. May be repeated up to 10 credits.  
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 363. Jazz Ensembles II
1 Credit
Performance ensemble that explore repertoire written for big band, including (but not limited to) dance band, swing, and contemporary compositions. May be repeated up to 10 credits.  
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.
MUS 365. Composition I
2 Credits
Significant forms for various media. Emphasis on structural aspects of
original composition. Restricted to: Music majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 105.

MUS 366. Composition II
2 Credits
Applied larger forms. Emphasis on larger vocal and instrumental works.
Prerequisite(s): B or better in MUS 365.

MUS 368. University Singers II
1 Credit
Select concert and touring choir of undergraduate and graduate students
performing a cappella and accompanied choral literature. May be
repeated up to 10 credits. Consent of Instructor required.
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 370. Wind Symphony II
1 Credit
This elite ensemble of 50 highly qualified graduate and undergraduate
students performs a varied repertoire of the highest quality literature
for winds. Members will also perform concerts of chamber winds
literature each semester. This ensemble is dedicated to professional
level performance while fostering the musical growth of its members.
Conducted by the Director of Bands, this group serves as the flagship
for the entire university bands program. May be repeated up to 10 credits.
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 372. Marching Band II
1 Credit
Composed of both majors and nonmajors. Opportunity to perform
all varieties of music in a contemporary style marching unit. May be
repeated up to 5 credits. Consent of Instructor required. Traditional
Grading with RR.

MUS 374. Percussion Ensembles II
1 Credit
Study and performance of contemporary percussion ensemble literature.
Students must assume a leadership role. May be repeated up to 5 credits.
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 380. Symphonic Band II
1 Credit
This is a select large ensemble, chosen by audition. It provides a
challenging musical environment for skilled performers by programming
repertoire that ranges from works for chamber winds, to standards of
the wind band literature, to cutting edge literature. Conducted by the
Associate Director of Bands, this ensemble is comprised of music majors
and non-music majors alike and provides the less experienced student an
opportunity to hone and refine performance skills. May be repeated up to
10 credits.
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 381. Campus Band II
1 Credit
This is a non-auditioned ensemble designed to meet the needs of
students from all majors across campus. Music majors are encouraged
to enroll while performing on a secondary instrument. Marching band
members are also encouraged to take the course to build skills and
leadership. This ensemble provides an educational experience and serves
as an outlet for students who wish to remain musically active in a less
intense setting. May be repeated up to 10 credits.

MUS 386. Applied Music Pedagogy and Literature I
2 Credits
Methods, materials, problems, literature, and techniques in teaching
individual lessons. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music
and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.

MUS 390. Survey of Wind Literature
2 Credits
An examination of beginning to advanced literature for wind bands with
an emphasis on the needs of middle and high school ensembles. It
will include a means to determine the quality of a piece as well as the
standardized level of difficulty (grading). Restricted to: Music and Music
Education majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 391. Survey of Orchestral Literature
2 Credits
An examination of beginning to advanced literature for both string
orchestra and symphony orchestra with an emphasis on the needs of
middle and high school ensembles. A means to determine the quality
of a piece as well as the standardized level of difficulty (grading) will be
included. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 392. Survey of Choral Literature
2 Credits
An examination of beginning to advanced literature for choir with an
emphasis on the needs of middle and high school ensembles. A means
to determine the quality of a piece as well as the standardized level
of difficulty (grading) will be included. Restricted to: Music and Music
Education majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 393. Survey of Wind Literature
2 Credits
An examination of beginning to advanced literature for wind bands with
an emphasis on the needs of middle and high school ensembles. A means
to determine the quality of a piece as well as the standardized level
of difficulty (grading) will be included. Restricted to: Music and Music
Education majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 394. Survey of Orchestral Literature
2 Credits
An examination of beginning to advanced literature for both string
orchestra and symphony orchestra with an emphasis on the needs of
middle and high school ensembles. A means to determine the quality
of a piece as well as the standardized level of difficulty (grading) will be
included. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 395. Survey of Choral Literature
2 Credits
An examination of beginning to advanced literature for choir with an
emphasis on the needs of middle and high school ensembles. A means
to determine the quality of a piece as well as the standardized level
of difficulty (grading) will be included. Restricted to: Music and Music
Education majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 413. Form and Analysis
3 Credits
Forms in tonal music and basic analytic techniques including music from
diverse cultures and media.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 204 and MUS 206.

MUS 415. Orchestration
3 Credits
Scoring for full orchestra and various instrumental combinations with
consideration of instrument timbres, strengths, weaknesses, and ranges.
Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C or better in MUS 204 and 206.

MUS 417. Studio Accompanying
2 Credits
Practical application of collaborative piano skills in a studio setting for
Piano Performance majors. May be repeated up to 8 credits. Consent of
Instructor required. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors.
Traditional Grading with RR.

MUS 420. Music of the Middle Ages and Renaissance
3 Credits
An overview of the music of the Middle Ages and Renaissance eras with
an emphasis on history and literature.
Prerequisite(s): MUS 303.

MUS 421. Music of the Baroque Era
3 Credits
An overview of the music of the Baroque era with an emphasis on history
and literature.
Prerequisite(s): MUS 303.
MUS 422. Music of the Classic Era  
3 Credits  
An overview of the music of the Classic era with an emphasis on history and literature.  
Prerequisite(s): MUS 303.  

MUS 423. Music of the Romantic Era  
3 Credits  
An overview of the music of the Romantic era with an emphasis on history and literature.  
Prerequisite(s): MUS 303.  

MUS 424. Music of the Twentieth Century  
3 Credits  
An overview of the music of the Twentieth Century with an emphasis on history and literature. Consent of Instructor required.  
Prerequisite(s): MUS 303.  

MUS 429. Opera and Music Drama  
3 Credits  
Lyrical drama of the Greeks through works of Wagner and Verdi to contemporary opera.  
Prerequisite: MUS 303 or consent of instructor.  

MUS 430. Applied Music III  
1-4 Credits  
Continuation from MUS 330. Individual instruction to develop technique, musicianship, performance and improvisational skills, as well as knowledge of significant repertoire. May be repeated up to 16 credits. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C or better in MUS 330 plus a juried audition.  

MUS 440. Senior Recital  
1-2 Credits (1-2)  
Public solo performance under the supervision of the appropriate applied instructor. 60 minutes of musical performance is required for enrollment of 2 hours credit. 30 minutes of musical performance is required for enrollment of 1 hour credit. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Corequisite(s): MUS 430.  

MUS 441. Supervised Studio Teaching  
2 Credits  
Teaching of private lessons under supervision. May be repeated up to 6 credits. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music and Music Education majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  

MUS 450. Research Methods  
3 Credits  
Introduction to methodology of music research. Emphasis on important scholarly resources and academic writing. Restricted to majors. Main campus only. No S/U option.  
Prerequisite: consent of instructor.  

MUS 451. Orchestra II  
1 Credit  
Las Cruces Symphony at NMSU, a full symphony orchestra concentrating on masterworks of the literature. Students must assume a leadership role. May be repeated up to 88 credits.  
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.  

MUS 455. Music Business Internship  
3 Credits  
Capstone course for the Music Business degree. Working with the music business coordinator, students must have been accepted as an intern in a music business setting before enrolling. Credit given for the internship based on criteria developed for each placement. Restricted to majors. S/U only.  
Prerequisites: MUS 330 and piano proficiency.  

MUS 465. Composition III  
2 Credits  
Emphasis on extended compositional techniques, serialization, and modern counterpoint. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  

MUS 466. Composition IV  
2 Credits  
New music notation and techniques. Open forms, aleatory concepts. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  
Prerequisite(s): MUS 465.  

MUS 470. Special Topics III  
1-3 Credits  
Designed for highly motivated students. Independent study and individual guidance. May be taken for unlimited credit.  

MUS 471. Graduate Theory Review  
3 Credits  
Comprehensive and accelerated study of modes, diatonic harmony, and classical form of the common practice period. Restricted to: Music majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  

MUS 475. Intermediate Conducting  
3 Credits  
Serves as a bridge from undergraduate conducting study to the graduate level. Advanced undergraduate students may enroll to learn how the graduate program in conducting functions. The course also serves as the introductory experience for newly admitted graduate conducting majors. After successful completion of this course, students will be able to: Study musical scores from a conducting perspective; Demonstrate effective predetermined gestures and movements; Lead an ensemble; Research and give presentations related to composers and their music; Demonstrate advanced knowledge of conducting practices.  
Prerequisite(s): A grade of C- or better in MUS 326 or 327.  

MUS 476. Music Cultures of the World: History and Criticism  
3 Credits  
Listening, criticism, and analysis of musical cultures around the world. Emphasis on non-Western musical traditions and folk music of the world. Open to all majors.  

MUS 477. Graduate Music History Review  
3 Credits  
Comprehensive and accelerated study of music history from antiquity to the present Restricted to: Music majors. Traditional Grading with RR.  

MUS 486. Applied Music Pedagogy and Literature II  
2 Credits  
Methods, materials, problems, literature, and techniques in teaching individual lessons. Consent of Instructor required. Restricted to: Music majors. Traditional Grading with RR.
MUS 498. Independent Study
1-3 Credits
For students with a strong musical background wishing to explore
talent beyond the traditional curriculum. Restricted to majors. May be
repeated for a maximum of 6 credits.
Prerequisite: consent of instructor.

MUS 511. Survey of Traditional Harmony
3 Credits
Tonal harmony in common practice and theory of the late 17th, 18th, and
early 19th centuries. Restricted to: Music majors. Traditional Grading
with RR.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471.

MUS 513. Twentieth Century Art Music
3 Credits
Analytical techniques, structural design and compositional materials
from Debussy to the Minimalist school in historical context. Restricted to:
Music majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471.

MUS 514. Advanced Composition
3 Credits
Original composition in 20th century idioms.
Prerequisite: MUS 466.

MUS 518. Seminar in Music Theory
3 Credits
Varying topics in Music Theory, providing a more specific and in-depth
study of the particular topic. May be repeated up to 6 credits. Restricted
to: Music majors. Traditional Grading with RR.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471.

MUS 519. Seminar in Music History
3 Credits
Varying topics in Music History, providing a more specific and in-depth
study of the particular topic. May be repeated up to 6 credits. Restricted
to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471.

MUS 520. Music of the Middle Ages and Renaissance: History and
Literature
3 Credits
An overview of the music of the Middle Ages and Renaissance with an
emphasis on history and literature. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471.

MUS 521. Music of the Baroque Era: History and Literature
3 Credits
An overview of the music of the Baroque Era with an emphasis on history
and literature.

MUS 522. Music of the Classical Era: History and Literature
3 Credits
An overview of the music of the Classical era with an emphasis on history
and literature. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471.

MUS 523. Music of the Romantic Era: History and Literature
3 Credits
An overview of Romantic era music, with an emphasis on history and
literature. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471.

MUS 524. Advanced Choral Conducting I
3 Credits
This course will continue the training for competent musicianship with
a focus on conducting gestures and movements, score study, and
rehearsal techniques. Lessons will focus primarily on the development
of a non-verbal vocabulary that will allow each student to clearly and
artistically communicate with the members of an ensemble to solicit a
predetermined musical result. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 475.

MUS 527. History and Analysis of the Symphony
3 Credits
Historical background and development of the symphony from its
inception (ca. 1740s) to mid-twentieth century. Analysis of major works
by significant composers with emphasis on Sonata form. Restricted to:
MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 471 and 477.

MUS 528. The Symphony in Historical Context
3 Credits
Considers the historical development of the symphony, as a musical
genre, from its inception to the 20th century. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 477.

MUS 529. Opera and Music Drama
3 Credits
Lyric drama of the Greeks through works of Wagner and Verdi to
contemporary opera. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 477.

MUS 530. Seminar in Music Education
3 Credits
Varying topics in Music Education, providing a more specific and in-depth
study of the particular topic. Restricted to: MUS majors.

MUS 531. Music in Elementary Schools
3 Credits
This course is designed to provide experiences which will help the
student gain skills to appropriately enhance the musical growth of
children in K–6 classrooms. The course participants will be exposed;
methods of teaching music to young children will be explored. Restricted to: MUS (Music Ed
track only) majors.

MUS 534. Pedagogy of Music Education
3 Credits
This course is for students completing a Master of Music with
a Performance emphasis. A public recital will be given and an
accompanying research paper will be submitted. Restricted to: MUS
majors.

MUS 535. Current Issues in Music Education
3 Credits
This course examines the rich and challenging complexities of music
teaching and learning from a variety of perspectives. Educational theory
to pedagogical inquiry of current educational practice will be examined,
calling students to critically reflect on such professional activities
as lesson planning, curriculum design, repertoire choice, program
assessment, advocacy in the arts, and student evaluation. Restricted to:
MUS (Music Ed track only) majors.

MUS 540. Graduate Recital/Analytical Paper
4 Credits
This course is for students completing a Master of Music with
a Performance emphasis. A public recital will be given and an
accompanying research paper will be submitted. Restricted to: MUS
majors.

MUS 541. Advanced Choral Conducting
3 Credits
This course will continue the training for competent musicianship with
a focus on conducting gestures and movements, score study, and
rehearsal techniques. Lessons will focus primarily on the development
of a non-verbal vocabulary that will allow each student to clearly and
artistically communicate with the members of an ensemble to solicit a
predetermined musical result. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 475.
MUS 575. Advanced Choral Conducting II
3 Credits
This is the final course in preparation for the student's graduate conducting concert. It will continue the training for competent musicianship with a focus on conducting gestures and movements, score study, and rehearsal techniques. Lessons will focus primarily on the development of a non-verbal vocabulary that will allow each student to clearly and artistically communicate with the members of an ensemble to solicit a predetermined musical result. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 574.

MUS 576. Advanced Instrumental Conducting I
3 Credits
The role of the conductor is to lead, react to, alter, and reinforce the performance of the ensemble. This course will continue in the training for competent musicianship with a focus on conducting gestures and movements, score study, and rehearsal techniques. Lessons will focus primarily on the development of a non-verbal vocabulary that will allow each student to clearly and artistically communicate with the members of an ensemble to solicit a predetermined musical result. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 475.

MUS 577. Advanced Instrumental Conducting II
3 Credits
The role of the conductor is to lead, react to, alter, and reinforce the performance of the ensemble. This course will continue in the training for competent musicianship with a focus on conducting gestures and movements, score study, and rehearsal techniques. Lessons will focus primarily on the development of a non-verbal vocabulary that will allow each student to clearly and artistically communicate with the members of an ensemble to solicit a predetermined musical result. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 576.

MUS 578. Advanced Choral Literature
2 Credits
An examination of significant choral works from 1200 to the present, including composers, genres, and historical context Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 475.

MUS 579. ADV INSTR LIT
2 Credits
An examination of significant instrumental works from the Baroque period to the present, including composers, genres, and historical context Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 475.

MUS 580. Ensemble Performance
1 Credit
Performance in university ensembles. May be repeated up to 99 credits.
Prerequisite(s): by audition only.

MUS 582. Applied Music
2-4 Credits
For music majors, individual instruction, including improvisation skills and techniques. Students may enroll for 2 or 4 credits. May be repeated for a maximum of 16 credits.
Prerequisites: audition and consent of instructor.

MUS 586. Applied Music Pedagogy and Literature III
2 Credits
Methods, materials, problems, literature, and techniques in teaching individual lessons. Restricted to: MUS majors.
Prerequisite(s): A grade of B or better in MUS 486.

MUS 590. Supervised Studio Teaching
2 Credits
Teaching of private lessons under supervision.

MUS 598. Special Research Programs
1-4 Credits
May be taken for unlimited credit.

MUS 599. Master's Thesis
15 Credits
Thesis.