



## **MUSC131 Group Piano Instruction II**

### **Syllabus**

**(Winter 2013)**

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### ***Course Information***

#### **Course Outcomes**

After successfully completing this course, students will be able to:

- Play at sight simple pieces utilizing independent left- and right-hand parts.
- Play all major and minor scales utilizing proper fingering patterns, posture and hand position.
- Play finger and hand strengthening exercises as assigned by instructor.
- Demonstrate a knowledge of basic chord theory and structure by playing written parts and deciphering chord symbols.
- Interpret dynamic, tempo, and expression markings to add sensitivity into their performance at the keyboard.
- Prepare for final performance a medium-level "sonatina" or equivalent to be performed at quarter's end with assigned sight-reading and scales.

#### **How Outcomes Will Be Met**

The learning objectives of the course will be met through hands-on, in-class practice; lecture; at-home practice and study; and coaching by the instructor.

#### **Grading & Assignments**

Exams will examine performance progress toward the specific skill objectives outlined in the course outcomes. Tests will primarily involve student performances on the piano, playing selected pieces individually for the instructor. In addition, perceived effort (record of attendance and evidence of time spent practicing, as

shown through individual progress), will count for approximately one-quarter of the final grade.

#### **Books and Materials Required**

- Required text: Progressive Class Piano (2nd ed.), by Elmer Heerema (Alfred Publishing)
- Headphones or earbuds for the electronic keyboards
- Appropriate plug adaptor (usually 1/8" to 1/4") if your headphones or earbuds don't already have a 1/4" jack.

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### ***Classroom Learning Atmosphere***

#### **Affirmation of Inclusion**

Bellevue College is committed to maintaining an environment in which every member of the campus community feels welcome to participate in the life of the college, free from harassment and discrimination. We value our different backgrounds at Bellevue College, and students, faculty, staff members, and administrators are to treat one another with dignity and respect.

<http://bellevuecollege.edu/about/goals/inclusion.asp>

#### **Student Code**

Statement on unacceptable behavior:

“Cheating, stealing and plagiarizing (using the ideas or words of another as one’s own without crediting the source) and inappropriate/disruptive classroom behavior are violations of the Student Code of Conduct at Bellevue College. Examples of unacceptable behavior include, but are not limited to: talking out of turn, arriving late or leaving early without a valid reason, allowing cell phones/pagers to ring, and inappropriate behavior toward the instructor or classmates. The instructor can refer any violation of the Student Code of Conduct to the Vice President of Student Services for possible probation or suspension from Bellevue College. Specific student rights, responsibilities and appeal procedures are listed in the Student Code of Conduct, available in the office of the Vice President of Student Services.” The Student Code, Policy 2050, in its entirety is located at:

[http://bellevuecollege.edu/policies/2/2050\\_Student\\_Code.asp](http://bellevuecollege.edu/policies/2/2050_Student_Code.asp)

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### ***Important Links***

#### **Disability Resource Center (DRC)**

The Disability Resource Center serves students with a wide array of learning challenges and disabilities. If you are a student who has a disability or learning challenge for which you have documentation or have seen someone for treatment and if you feel you may need accommodations in order to be successful in college, please contact us as soon as possible.

If you are a person who requires assistance in case of an emergency situation, such as a fire, earthquake, etc, please meet with your individual instructors to develop a safety plan within the first week of the quarter.

The DRC office is located in B132 or you can call our reception desk at 425.564.2498. Deaf students can reach us by video phone at 425-440-2025 or by TTY at 425-564-4110. Please visit our website for application information into our program and other helpful links at [www.bellevuecollege.edu/drc](http://www.bellevuecollege.edu/drc)

#### **Public Safety**

The Bellevue College (BC) Public Safety Department staff provides personal safety, security and crime-prevention services to the campus community 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Public Safety is located in K100 and on the web at: <http://bellevuecollege.edu/publicsafety/>. Their phone number is 425.564.2400.

#### **BC Academic Calendars**

Bellevue College's calendars provide information about holidays, closures and important enrollment and exam dates.

- Enrollment Calendar - <http://bellevuecollege.edu/enrollment/calendar/deadlines/>. On this calendar you will find admissions and registration dates and important dates for withdrawing and receiving tuition refunds.
- College Calendar - <http://bellevuecollege.edu/enrollment/calendar/holidays/1011.asp>. This calendar gives you the year at a glance and includes college holidays, scheduled closures, quarter end and start dates, and final exam dates.

#### **Other Useful Links**

##### *Student Services*

- [Advising](#)
- [Degree Audit](#)
- [Placement Testing](#)
- [Financial Aid](#)
- [Student Programs](#)
- [Student Handbook](#)
- [Ordering Books](#)
- [Library Media Center](#)
- [Disability Resource Center](#)
- [Counseling Center](#)
- [All BC Online Services](#)

*This syllabus is subject to change at the discretion of the instructor.*