Northwest Arkansas Community College

(Communication and Arts Division)

Discipline Code

MUSI

Course Number

1003

Course Title

Music Appreciation

Catalog Description

A survey of music history with an emphasis on listening to all types of music in order to develop critical listening skills. Includes the works of major composers, media through which music is produced, instruments of the orchestra, voice, elements of music, forms and terminology. Attendance at selected live concerts is required.

Prerequisites

None required. However, this is not one of the courses that can be taken without a demonstrated reading proficiency.

Credit hours

3 credit hours

Contact hours

45 contact hours

Load hours

3 load hours

Semesters Offered

Fall, Spring and Summer

ACTS Equivalent

MUSC1003 Music Appreciation

Grade Mode

A-F

Learning Outcomes

Students completing this course will

- Demonstrate knowledge of the historical periods of music history.
- Recognize orchestral instruments and standard musical ensembles.

- Utilize the elements of music in basic aural analysis
- Prove competence in the use of a basic list of basic musical terms.
- Show familiarity with local arts venues

General Education Outcomes Supported

Students gain greater awareness of cultural perspectives.

Standard Practices

Topics list

- Elements
- Standard ensembles
- Historical periods and styles
- Musical theatre
- Opera
- Non-Western styles

Learning Activities

N/A

Assessments

Tests, evaluation of individual and group assignments, in-class discussion of concert experiences. Instructors of this course will meet yearly to chart selected results from various sections for assessment purposes.

Grading guidelines

N/A

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