

**Northwest Arkansas Community College**  
(Communication and Arts Division)

**Discipline Code**

MUSI

**Course Number**

1003H

**Course Title**

Music Appreciation, Honors

**Catalog Description**

Introduction to academic study of Western classical music. Students will gain experience in guided listening critical thinking about musical cultures and their roles in society. This is an honors course. Please refer to the NWACC Honors Program section in the current catalog for more information.

**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 and Spring

**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

## **Honors Outcomes**

Honors classes (and the Honors Program) promote the following core values:

**Community** *students will demonstrate civic engagement through Service Learning and exploration of local, national, and global communities.*

**Curiosity** *students will cultivate personal and intellectual curiosity through investigation, discussion, and scholarship.*

**Diversity** *students will explore multiple perspectives through interdisciplinary learning.*

## **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**

- Individual projects/presentations
- Group projects/presentations
- Field Trips/events
- Guest Speakers
- Service Learning and/or
- Conference Poster

### **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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