

Music Fundamentals  
MUST 1311  
MWF 9:30-10:20

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Required Text:

A Creative Approach to Music Fundamentals, 11th edition  
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Course Description: Music Fundamentals will focus on basic elements of music, including rhythm, melody, and harmony. The course will explore the use of these elements in Western-European music tradition, as well as the notation of these elements.

Objectives:

- The student will read and write music notation for pitch and rhythm.
- The student will perform rhythm and pitch exercises from given music notation.
- The student will describe, identify and notate meter.
- The student will describe, identify and notate tonalities and scales.
- The student will describe, identify and notate harmonic intervals and chords.

Assignments and Exams:

Homework: 25%	There will be homework assignments each every day
Quizzes: 25%	There will be at least six quizzes
Tests: 25%	There will be two exams
Final Exam: 25%	There will be one Final Exam

Grading is as follows:

90-100 % = A, 80 – 89.99 % = B, 70 – 79.99 % = C, 60 – 69.99 % = D, 59.99 and below = F

**Attendance**

Attendance is required. Three unexcused absences will result in one grade reduction.

**Homework**

Homework is due at the BEGINNING of each class period. Late homework will not be accepted.

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated.

## Quizzes

If a student is absent from a quiz, that quiz may be taken within 48 hours if accompanied by medical documentation.

## Exams

If a student is absent from a quiz, that quiz may be taken within 48 hours if accompanied by medical documentation.

<b>Week Dates</b>	<b>Topic</b>		
Aug 28	Chapter 2	RHYTHM	
Aug 30	Chapter 2	RHYTHM	
Sept 1	Quiz #1	Chapter 3 Dotted Rhythms	
Sept 4	Labor Day		
Sept 6	Chapter 3		
Sept 8	Chapter 3		
Sept 11	Quiz #2		
Sept 13	Chapter 4		
Sept 15			
Sept 18	Quiz #3	Chapter 1&2	
Sept 20	Pitch	Chapter 1&2	
Sept 22			
Sept 25	Chapter 1&2		
Sept 27	EXAM #1		
Sept 29			
Oct 2	Chapter 5		
Oct 4			
Oct 6			
Oct 9	Quiz #4	Chapter 6	
Oct 11	Chapter 6		
Oct 13			
Oct 16	Chapter 6		
Oct 18	Quiz #5	Chapter 7	
Oct 20			
Oct 23	Chapter 7	Major Scales	
Oct 25	Chapter 7	Major Scales	Mid Term Grades Due
Oct 27			

Oct 30	REVIEW	
Nov 1	EXAM #2	
Nov 3	Chapter 8	Last day to Drop Classes
Nov 6	Chapter 8	Intervals—Diatonic
Nov 8	Chapter 8	
Nov 10		
Nov 13	Chapter 8—Chromatic	
Nov 15	Quiz #6	Chapter 9—Minor Key signatures
Nov 17		
Nov 20	Chapter 9	
Nov 22		
Nov 24	NO CLASS	
Nov 27	Chapter 10—Minor scales	
Nov 29	Chapter 10	
Dec 1		
Dec 4	Quiz #7	
Dec 6	REVIEW	
Dec 8	DEAD DAY	
Dec 13	FINAL EXAM	10:00 AM—12:45 PM