

Fall-Winter, 2026-2027

9506y Collaborative Musicianship

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Instructor: Prof. Leslie Kinton, PhD

Enrollment in this course is restricted to students in the MMus and DMA streams

Piano Duos, Thursdays 10:30- 11:50, von Kuster Hall

Course description:

The purpose of this course is to explore the piano-duo and piano-duet literature. This will be accomplished by the learning and performance of major works from this repertory.

Each student will be partnered with another of equal skill level. One piano duo and one piano duet will be studied by each ensemble, one piece per semester. Coaching will be given each class in master class format. At the end of each semester, there will be a class performance of the work learned that will be marked by the instructor. The choice of repertoire will require the instructor's approval. It is expected that each ensemble will find adequate time for rehearsal so as to achieve a high level of performance.

Marking scheme:

Term work and attendance: 40%

Class performance one: 30%

Class performance two: 30%

Grading scale: A: 80 – 100% B: 70 – 79% C: 60 – 69% F: 00 – 59%

Course Prerequisites: None

Academic Consideration for Student Absence & Missing Work: University policy on academic considerations requires that all requests for academic considerations must be accompanied by a self-attestation. In the event of a student absence or missing work, students are responsible for reading and adhering to the Academic Consideration –Undergraduate Students in First Entry Programs and the related Procedure for the Policy on Academic Consideration which includes further details regarding various requirements and procedures for the supporting documentation.

Any academic considerations granted in this course will be determined by the instructor, in consultation with the academic advisors in your Faculty of Registration, in accordance with information presented in this course outline and the relevant university policy.

Academic Consideration for Missing Work (<10%): In cases where students miss work that is worth less than 10% of the total course grade due to medical illness or compassionate grounds, the student will be allowed to take the course at a later date without academic penalty. Students who have been denied accommodation by an instructor may appeal this decision to the Associate Dean's office but will be required to present appropriate documentation.

Statement on Academic Offences: Scholastic offences are taken seriously, and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic Offence, at the following Web site:

https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_offences.pdf

Health and Wellness Services: Students who are in emotional/mental distress should refer to Mental Health Support for a complete list of options about how to obtain help:<https://www.uwo.ca/health/mental-health/index.html>.

Accessible Education Western (AEW):

Western is committed to achieving barrier-free accessibility for all its members, including graduate students. As part of this commitment, Western provides a variety of services devoted to promoting, advocating, and accommodating persons with disabilities in their respective graduate program

Graduate students with disabilities (for example, chronic illnesses, mental health conditions, mobility impairments) are strongly encouraged to register with Accessible Education (AE), a confidential service designed to support graduate and undergraduate students through their academic program. With the appropriate documentation, the student will work with both AE and their graduate programs (normally their Graduate Chair and/or Course instructor) to ensure that appropriate academic accommodations to program requirements are arranged. These accommodations include individual counselling, alternative formatted literature, accessible campus transportation, learning strategy instruction, writing exams and assistive technology instruction.

Religious Accommodation: Students should consult the University's list of recognised religious holidays (other than statutory holidays), and should give reasonable notice in writing, prior to the holiday, to the Instructor and an Academic Advisor if their course requirements will be affected by a religious observance. Further information may be found in the Policy on Accommodations for Religious Holidays.

Statement on Gender-Based and Sexual Violence: Western is committed to reducing incidents of gender-based and sexual violence (GBSV) and providing compassionate support to anyone who is going through or has gone through these traumatic events. If you are experiencing or have experienced GBSV (either recently or in the past), you will find information about support services for survivors, including emergency contacts on the Wellness and Wellbeing website: <https://www.uwo.ca/health/gbsv/index.html>

To connect with a case manager or set up an appointment, please contact support@uwo.ca