

Crane Brass Ensemble

MUAP 365/665 | Fall 2020

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Office Hours: by appointment via Zoom, please email to schedule

Day/Time: Thurs 7:20-8:40p

Location: Virtual

Course Description, Objectives, and Learning Outcomes

Students will prepare and perform diverse styles of brass ensemble and chamber brass repertoire in order to further their musicianship and musicianship skills. Repertoire prepared and performed will include both transcriptions and arrangements of literature not originally scored for brass chamber groups as well as original compositions. Students will be able to demonstrate musical growth through performance and preparation, as well as learn a wide array of repertoire encompassing many styles, genres, instrumentations, and eras.

Class Prerequisites

The Crane Brass Ensemble is an ensemble chosen by audition in the Fall Semester. Students must be enrolled in MUAP 365/665.

Materials

Due to the virtual nature of this course and high performance expectations, students are expected to have:

- A device to produce a high-quality audio recording
- A device to produce a high-quality video recording
- Headphones

Zoom

Regardless of meeting on Zoom rather than in person, we are in a professional community. As professionals, you are expected to:

- Show up on time
- Be prepared for our collective work
- Try to limit distractions in your individual workplaces

Further things to consider with Zoom:

- Mute yourself when not speaking/performing.
- Chats will be saved at the end of each session. Private chats can still be seen by the host once it is saved. Engage in chatting on Zoom only when prompted to do so.
- Breakout rooms may be used. Be prepared for me to arrive in your breakout room at any time to observe.

Please let me know if you are having difficulties interacting in class via Zoom, and if there are reasons you cannot follow the above guidelines.

Evaluation

Due to the nature of this semester, students will have unique responsibilities determined on an individual basis, depending on instrumentation of chosen pieces and personal strengths. Students are expected to complete all tasks assigned to them. Failure to complete tasks or attend synchronous sessions will result in lowering of the students grade.

Other Details

Performance dates and details will be discussed and determined at the beginning of the semester. Attendance will be expected at all agreed-upon meetings.

Caring Community

I recognize that this is an incredibly stressful time for you, your peers, and our community. Please know that there are resources available to you, both on and off campus, to support you during these very uncertain times. Our excellent Counseling Center staff are available to meet with you; more information can be found on their FAQ page accessed at:

<https://www.potsdam.edu/studentlife/wellness/counseling-center/coping-covid-19-pandemic/counseling-center-faqs>. In addition, information on a variety of on- and off-campus resources can be found our Bear Care site: <https://www.potsdam.edu/studentlife/wellness/bear-care>. You are an incredibly important member of our Potsdam community; please take care of yourself, and each other.