



WACO, TEXAS

**COURSE SYLLABUS
AND
INSTRUCTOR PLAN**

**CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN ENSEMBLE
MUSP 1148 02**

NOTE: This is a 16-week course.

CLARK NAUERT

Contemporary Christian Ensemble

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Course Description:

Participation in a small ensemble concentrating on developing proficiency in and understanding of commercial music performance styles. Ensemble sections offered include: electric guitar, contemporary Christian, big band jazz and vocal jazz, among others. Semester Hour 1 (4 lab)

Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:

NONE

Course Notes and Instructor Recommendations:

Arrive on time with your instrument and accessories in good working order, vocalists with microphone, cable and clip. Keep a folder with song charts/lead sheets/lyrics, as appropriate, for the music assigned. Bring this folder to every class meeting. Daily practice, outside of class, on the music assigned is expected of all students.

Instructor Information:

Instructor Name: Clark Nauert

MCC E-mail: cnauert@mclennan.edu

Office Phone Number: 299-8258

Office Location: PAC 101

Office/Teacher Conference Hours: will be posted 2nd week of classes

Required Text & Materials:

NONE

MCC Bookstore Website: <http://www.mclennan.edu/bookstore/>

Student Support/Resources:

MCC provides a variety of services to support student success in the classroom and in your academic pursuits to include counseling, tutors, technology help desk, advising, financial aid, etc. A listing of these and the many other services available to our students is available at <http://www.mclennan.edu/campus-resource-guide/>

College personnel recognize that food, housing, and transportation are essential for student success. If you are having trouble securing these resources, we encourage you to contact a success coach by calling (254) 299-8226. Students can visit the Completion Center Monday-

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Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. to meet with a success coach and receive additional resources and support to help reach academic and personal goals. Paulanne's Pantry (MCC's food pantry) is open 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, without an appointment. The Completion Center and pantry are located on the Second Floor of the Student Services Center (SSC).

Minimum Technical Skills:

Students should have basic computer skills, knowledge of word processing software, and a basic understanding of how to use search engines and common web browsers.

Backup Plan for Technology:

In the event MCC's technology systems are down, you will be contacted/notified through your MCC student email address. Please note that all assignments and activities will be due on the date specified in the Instructor Plan, unless otherwise noted by the instructor.

* [Click Here for the Minimum System Requirements to Utilize MCC's D2L|Brightspace](http://www.mclennan.edu/center-for-teaching-and-learning/teaching-commons/requirements)
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Click on the link above for information on the minimum system requirements needed to reliably access your courses in MCC's D2L|Brightspace learning management system.

Methods of Teaching and Learning:

Lecture, lab, student performance/demonstration, concerts, recitals

Course Objectives and/or Competencies:

The objective of this class is to expose the student to a variety of musical styles within the genre of Contemporary Christian Music, to demonstrate rehearsal and performance techniques and to provide performance opportunities when appropriate for the class.

Course Schedule:

- The class will meet Monday and Wednesdays from 1:00pm to 2:25pm in BPAC 122.
- The ensemble will perform Sunday afternoon, April 19th, at The Backyard in Waco, in a combined concert of Music Industry Careers ensembles. The concert will run from 1:00pm to 6:00pm with the Contemporary Christian Ensemble playing a 30 to 45 minute set during that time.
- The ensemble's spring concert will be on Thursday night, April 30th, at 7:30pm in the BPAC Theater in a combined concert with the MCC Country Band.
- Additional performances are possible depending on:
 - 1) Availability of members of the ensemble and the instructor

- 2) Appropriateness of performance time and venue.

Course Grading Information:

The grade for the term will be determined as follows:

1. Class meetings: preparation of assigned music, participation, punctuality.
2. Projects: music, charts, lyrics, recordings presented in a timely manner.
3. Professionalism: a positive attitude, effective communication skills, helpfulness to fellow students and faculty. Responsibility.
4. Participation in any on and off campus performances is mandatory

Late Work, Attendance, and Make Up Work Policies:

Attendance:

- In a rehearsal/performance class, being at every meeting is important to the group.
- The absence of any member of the ensemble negatively affects the quality of the educational experience for the others.
- 15% (5) of meetings missed will result in the lowering of your grade by one letter.
- 25% (7) will result in the grade of F or W.
- Three times late to class is equal to one absence.

It is possible to receive an excused absence for sickness, family emergency or some work related conflict *if* you handle it responsibly by email cnauert@mclennan.edu or by phone 299-8258.

Student Behavioral Expectations or Conduct Policy:

Students are expected to maintain classroom decorum that includes respect for other students and the instructor, prompt and regular attendance, and an attitude that seeks to take full advantage of the education opportunity.

* [Click Here for the MCC Academic Integrity Statement](#)

(www.mclennan.edu/academic-integrity)

The link above will provide you with information about academic integrity, dishonesty, and cheating.

* [Click Here for the MCC Attendance/Absences Policy](#)

(www.mclennan.edu/highlander-guide/policies)

Click on the link above for the college policies on attendance and absences. Your instructor may have guidelines specific to this course.

Accommodations/ADA Statement

Any student who is a qualified individual with a disability may request reasonable accommodations to assist with providing equal access to educational opportunities. Students should contact the Accommodations Coordinator as soon as possible to provide documentation and make necessary arrangements. Once that process is completed, appropriate verification will be provided to the student and instructor. Please note that instructors are not required to provide classroom accommodations to students until appropriate verification has been provided by the Accommodations Coordinator. Instructors should not provide accommodations unless approved by the Accommodations Coordinator. For additional information, please visit mclennan.edu/disability.

Students with questions or who require assistance with disabilities involving physical, classroom, or testing accommodations should contact:

disabilities@mclennan.edu

254-299-8122

Room 319, Student Services Center

*** Click Here for more information about Title IX**

(www.mclennan.edu/titleix)

We care about your safety, and value an environment where students and instructors can successfully teach and learn together. If you or someone you know experiences unwelcomed behavior, we are here to help. Individuals who would like to report an incident of sexual misconduct are encouraged to immediately contact the Title IX Coordinator at titleix@mclennan.edu or by calling Dr. Drew Canham (Vice President for Student Success) at 299-8645. Individuals also may contact the MCC Police Department at 299-8911 or the MCC Student Counseling Center at MCC by calling 299-8210. The MCC Student Counseling Center is a confidential resource for students.

McLennan's Title IX webpage (<http://www.mclennan.edu/titleix/>) contains more information about definitions, reporting, confidentiality, resources, and what to do if you or someone you know is a victim of sexual misconduct, gender-based violence or the crimes of rape, acquaintance rape, sexual assault, sexual harassment, stalking, dating violence or domestic violence.

** You will need to access each link separately through your Web browser (for example: Internet Explorer, Mozilla, Chrome, or Safari) to print each link's information.*