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## **COURSE SYLLABUS**

**AND**

## **INSTRUCTOR PLAN**

**Sight Singing/Ear Training II**

**MUSI 1117 02**

**Gail G. Wade**

**NOTE: This is a 16-week blended hybrid course.**

### **COVID 19 Notice:**

McLennan Community College is committed to providing you with every resource you need to reach your academic goals. We are also concerned for your safety. We are working through COVID-19 guidelines to make sure we offer a safe environment for you and our faculty. This will include smaller class sizes to manage social distancing and proper cleaning techniques. You will have the advantage of a physical classroom experience but may also need to work part of the time online as we adjust to limited classroom capacity. This will also allow us the flexibility to move online if so directed by federal, state and/or local COVID 19 guidelines. Faculty and staff are preparing now to ensure that you have the best experience in the midst of these uncertain times.

**Course Description:**

Continues MUSI 1116. Includes sight singing of more complex melodies and rhythmic patterns and harmonic progressions of all diatonic chords.

**Prerequisites and/or Corequisites:**

Completion of MUSI 1116 with a C or better

Corequisite: MUSI 1312

**Course Notes and Instructor Recommendations:**

It is highly recommended that you take either Class Piano or Applied Piano concurrently with your theory classes. You will be required to pass a proficiency when you transfer and it will make your keyboard assignments easier.

**Instructor Information:**

Instructor Name: Gail G. Wade

MCC E-mail: gwade@mclennan.edu

Office Phone Number: 254.299.8221

Office Location: BPAC 108

Office/Teacher Conference Hours: TBA

Other Instruction Information:

**Required Text & Materials:**

Title: Music for Sight Singing

Author: Robert Ottman

Edition: 10<sup>th</sup> Edition

Publisher: Pearson

ISBN: 978-0-134-47545-5

**Methods of Teaching and Learning:**

Class Participation in Sight Singing, Rhythmic Reading and Keyboard.

**Course Objectives and/or Competencies:**

Develop an understanding for the principles that govern and/or guide the musical arts.

MUSI 1117 is a continuation of MUSI 1116 and is to be taken in conjunction with Music 1312, Elementary Harmony II. By the end of the semester the student should be able to:

- 1) Hear chord progressions in root position and inversions involving diatonic triads, diatonic seventh chords and simple modulations using secondary dominants in both major and minor
- 2) Write from dictation more complex diatonic melodies in simple and compound time, in both major and minor keys
- 3) Identify intervals
- 4) Sing at sight more difficult melodies in simple/compound meter and major or minor keys.

**Course Outline or Schedule:**

The course will progress parallel to your MUSI 1312 course, adding new harmonic material as you learn to write it. Each class period will include melodic, rhythmic and harmonic dictation (frequently turned in for a daily grade), plus examples from the sight-singing text that have been previously assigned as well as true “sight-singing” examples. Tests will be announced.

**Course Grading Information:**

Grades for Elementary Sight Singing and Ear Training will be computed as follows:

Daily Grades/Participation/Attendance	20%
Ear Training Tests	20%
Aurelia Assignments	20%
Sight-Singing Tests**	10%
Keyboard Tests***	10%
Final Exam	20%

\*\*Tests for Sight Singing and Ear Training will be announced.

\*\*\*Keyboard (KB) assignments will be made for each unit. You will be tested on this material individually. Each assignment is a test. Practice it outside of class. If you need help – ask!

**Twenty percent (20%)** of your grade will be daily grades. If you are absent or late, remember that it only takes a couple of "zeroes" to trash your average.

***MUSI 1117 is a skills class. As with any skill it requires time and unfortunately, repetition. These skills are among the most important that a musician can have.***

**Grading Scale:**

A	=	90-100	D	=	60-69
B	=	80-89	F	=	below 60
C	=	70-79			

**Late Work, Attendance, and Make Up Work Policies:**

The only "homework" in this course will be preparation, including keyboard practice. Attendance takes on added importance since most of your grades will be **daily** grades on exercises done in class (usually at the **beginning** of class) for which there will be no make-ups.

Regular attendance is crucial to your success in this class, especially the skills portion. Roll will be checked at the beginning of class, frequently with skills activities, which WILL be graded. (Please remember that zeroes do not average well!) Any student missing 25% of the scheduled class times, (8 class days-MW/8-TTH combined total) will automatically be dropped from the course, as per school policy. This policy applies to ALL absences, including illness, school-related functions, family emergencies, etc. Students who know in advance of an absence should inform the instructor BEFORE the missed class (although advance notice does not assure that grades may be made up). It is your responsibility to inform your instructor of school sponsored activities before the absence in order to make up the grade. Emergencies will be handled on an individual basis. Final decisions regarding make-up opportunities rest with the instructor.

**Student Behavioral Expectations or Conduct Policy:**

Students are responsible for their own progress. You are expected to take the initiative to assure that you acquire a firm foundation for your musicianship. You are expected to practice the skills emphasized during class. You are encouraged (and expected) to ask the instructor for help if difficulties arise. You are responsible for all material covered in class, even during absences.

Everyone is expected to participate in class. Musical skills are developed and understood through practical application and repetition.

Please turn OFF all cell phones and pagers.

Bottled beverages (bottled water or soda) are allowed in class. Napping will not be tolerated!

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

\* [Click Here for the MCC Attendance/Absences Policy](https://www.mclennan.edu/highlander-guide/policies.html)

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

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

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## ACADEMIC RESOURCES/POLICIES

### **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 or want to explore strategies for balancing life and school, we encourage you to contact a success coach by calling (254) 299-8226. Students can visit the Completion Center Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. to schedule a meeting with a success coach and receive additional resources and support to help reach academic and personal goals. Paulanne's Pantry (MCC's food pantry) provides free food by appointment to students, faculty and staff based on household size. Text (254) 870-7573 to schedule a pantry appointment. The Completion Center and pantry are located on the Second Floor of the Student Services Center (SSC).

### **MCC Foundation Emergency Grant Fund:**

Unanticipated expenses, such as car repairs, medical bills, housing, or job loss can affect us all. Should an unexpected expense arise, the MCC Foundation has an emergency grant fund that may be able to assist you. Please go to <https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/scholarships-and-resources/emergencygrant.html> to find out more about the emergency grant. The application can be found at [https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergency\\_Grant\\_Application.pdf](https://www.mclennan.edu/foundation/docs/Emergency_Grant_Application.pdf).

### **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](https://www.mclennan.edu/center-for-teaching-and-learning/Faculty%20and%20Staff%20Commons/requirements.html)  
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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.

**Email Policy:**

McLennan Community College would like to remind you of the policy (<http://www.mclennan.edu/employees/policy-manual/docs/E-XXXI-B.pdf>) regarding college email. All students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to use their McLennan email addresses when conducting college business.

A student's McLennan email address is the preferred email address that college employees should use for official college information or business. Students are expected to read and, if needed, respond in a timely manner to college emails.

**Instructional Uses of Email:**

Faculty members can determine classroom use of email or electronic communications. Faculty should expect and encourage students to check the college email on a regular basis. Faculty should inform students in the course syllabus if another communication method is to be used and of any special or unusual expectations for electronic communications.

If a faculty member prefers not to communicate by email with her/his students, it should be reflected in the course syllabus and information should be provided for the preferred form of communication.

**Email on Mobile Devices:**

The College recommends that you set up your mobile device to receive McLennan emails.

**Forwarding Emails:**

You may forward the emails that come to your McLennan address to alternate email addresses; however, the College will not be held responsible for emails forwarded to an alternate address that may become lost or placed in junk or spam filters.

**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](http://mclennan.edu/disability).

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

[disabilities@mclennan.edu](mailto:disabilities@mclennan.edu)

254-299-8122

Room 319, Student Services Center

\* [Click Here for more information about Title IX](http://www.mclennan.edu/titleix)  
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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

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[titleix@mclennan.edu](mailto:titleix@mclennan.edu) or by calling Dr. Drew Canham (Chief of Staff for Equity & Inclusion/Title IX) 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. Any student or employee may report sexual harassment anonymously by visiting the following website: <http://www.lighthouse-services.com/mclennan/>.

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.

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