

## **MUTH 2410: Aural Skills III**

1 Credit Hour / Fall 2024

Section 011 TuTh 11:00-11:50 AM MU 250

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**Office Hours:** Wednesday 1:00 - 3:00PM

### **Course Objectives**

This course continues to develop both the “hearing eye” and the “seeing ear.” Singing activities will include prepared melodies, sight singing, and ensemble singing in various clefs (including C-clefs). Dictation exercises focus on melody, rhythm, two-part counterpoint, and harmony. By the end of the course, students will be able to sing and identify the following:

1. Chromatic melodies using treble, alto, tenor, and bass clefs (using **movable do**)
2. Diatonic and chromatic modulation
3. Harmonic vocabulary commensurate with MUTH 2400 (applied chords, modal mixture, Neapolitan, augmented sixth chords)
4. Further subdivision of the beat and syncopation

Prerequisites: MUTH 1500 and MUTH 1510 with a “C” or better. Co-requisite: MUTH 2400.

### **Required Materials**

- Music for Sight Singing, 10<sup>th</sup> edition by Nancy Rogers and Robert W. Ottman (Pearson 2014)
- Manuscript paper and pencils with erasers

### **Grading Rubric:**

Grading Rubric*		Letter Grades	
Homework	40%	A	90-100%
Dictation Tests	30%	B	80-89%
Individual Hearings	30%	C	70-79%
		D	60-69%
		F	below 60%

**\*You must earn a minimum average of 60% in both the Dictations Tests category and the Individual Hearings category to receive a grade higher than F for the course.**

### **Course Schedule (subject to change)**

Unit	Topics	Dictation Test	Individual Hearing
1	Applied Chords, modulation to closely-related keys, further syncopation	Sep. 26th	Week of Sep.30th
	Modal mixture, Neapolitan, Augmented Sixth chords, chromatic modulation, further subdivision of the beat	Dec. 5th	Exam Week

**\*\* Weekly assignments: All weekly assignments are due on Sunday. Late submissions are acceptable until the following Tuesday with a penalty of 15%.**

All homework, quizzes, and exams must be completed neatly in pencil. Assignments are due 11:59PM every Sunday. If you do not understand how to complete an assignment, please come see me before the assignment is due. Late work will be accepted up to two days (if assignment is due on Sunday, then Tuesday is the latest it will be accepted) with a late penalty of 15%. After Tuesday, no late work will be accepted. Exceptions will only be made for unplanned excused absences (such as medical emergencies) at the discretion of the instructor.

### **Exams**

**A zero will be given if you miss your dictation or hearing exam without a valid reason. Without a legitimate reason, rescheduling your hearing will result in a 15% reduction in grade.**

### **End-of-Semester Jury**

Students should not schedule their end-of-semester jury against a regularly scheduled class.

### **Attendance Policy**

Because gaining fluency in music takes consistent practice, I expect you to attend every class. **If you miss class for any reason, you are still responsible for learning the material of that day either by contacting classmates or the instructor, and you are still required to submit all assignments on time.**

Unexcused absences are monitored according to the following schedule:

- **0-2 absences: No questions asked.**
- **3 absences: Final grade lowered by 10% (Example: 92% becomes 82%)**

- **4 absences: Final grade lowered by 20% (Example: 92% becomes 72%)**
- **5+ absences: Final grade = F**

Excused absences include official University or College of Music activities, medical emergencies with supporting documentation from a doctor's visit, religious observances, and absences accompanied by a note from the Dean of Students' office. Excused absences do not count against your attendance or lower your grade. E-mail the instructor as soon as possible (within 48 hours) with the reason and documentation for your absence. If you are ill, you must provide a doctor's note, but please keep your medical condition private. If you expect to be absent for several days or weeks, you will have to obtain a note from the Dean of Students Office. If you have a chronic medical condition that might affect your class attendance or performance, please see the Office of Disability Accommodations. If any student wishes to dispute an absence as "excused" instead of "unexcused" with the instructor, they must do so within 48 hours of the last class period they missed. After that time expires, the student will have to go through the Dean of Students Office (Maureen "Moe" McGuinness, Union 409) to obtain an excuse note on UNT letterhead to request absences to be changed from "unexcused" to "excused."

## **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY**

Students caught cheating or plagiarizing will receive a "0" for that particular assignment or exam [or specify alternative sanction, such as course failure]. Additionally, the incident will be reported to the Dean of Students (Office of Academic Integrity), who may impose further penalty. According to the UNT catalog, the term "cheating" includes, but is not limited to: a. use of any unauthorized assistance in taking quizzes, tests, or examinations; b. dependence upon the aid of sources beyond those authorized by the instructor in writing papers, preparing reports, solving problems, or carrying out other assignments; c. the acquisition, without permission, of tests or other academic material belonging to a faculty or staff member of the university; d. dual submission of a paper or project, or resubmission of a paper or project to a different class without express permission from the instructor(s); or e. any other act designed to give a student an unfair advantage. The term "plagiarism" includes, but is not limited to: a. the knowing or negligent use by paraphrase or direct quotation of the published or unpublished work of another person without full and clear acknowledgment; and b. the knowing or negligent unacknowledged use of materials prepared by another person or agency engaged in the selling of term papers or other academic materials.

See: [Academic Integrity](#)

LINK: <https://policy.unt.edu/policy/06-003>

## **STUDENT BEHAVIOR**

Student behavior that interferes with an instructor's ability to conduct a class or other students' opportunity to learn is unacceptable and disruptive and will not be tolerated in any instructional forum at UNT. Students engaging in unacceptable behavior will be directed to leave the classroom and the

instructor may refer the student to the Dean of Students to consider whether the student's conduct violated the Code of Student Conduct. The university's expectations for student conduct apply to all instructional forums, including university and electronic classrooms, labs, discussion groups, field trips, etc.

See: [Student Code of Conduct](#)

Link: <https://deanofstudents.unt.edu/conduct>

### **ACCESS TO INFORMATION – EAGLE CONNECT**

Your access point for business and academic services at UNT occurs at [my.unt.edu](https://my.unt.edu). All official communication from the university will be delivered to your Eagle Connect account. For more information, please visit the website that explains Eagle Connect.

See: [Eagle Connect](#)

LINK: [eagleconnect.unt.edu/](https://eagleconnect.unt.edu/)

### **ODA STATEMENT**

The University of North Texas makes reasonable academic accommodation for students with disabilities. Students seeking accommodation must first register with the Office of Disability Access (ODA) to verify their eligibility. If a disability is verified, the ODA will provide you with an accommodation letter. You can now request your Letters of Accommodation ONLINE and ODA will mail your Letters of Accommodation to your instructors. You may wish to begin a private discussion with your professors regarding your specific needs in a course. Note that students must obtain a new letter of accommodation for every semester. For additional information see the Office of Disability Access.

See: [ODA](#)

LINK: [disability.unt.edu](https://disability.unt.edu). (Phone: (940) 565-4323)

### **Health and Safety Information**

Students can access information about health and safety at: <https://music.unt.edu/student-health-and-wellness>

### **Registration Information for Students**

See: [Registration Information](#)

Link: <https://registrar.unt.edu/students>

### **Academic Calendar, Fall 2024**

See: [Fall 2024 Academic Calendar](#)

Link: <https://registrar.unt.edu/sites/default/files/fall-2024-academic-calendar.pdf>

### **Final Exam Schedule, Fall 2024**

See above

## **Financial Aid and Satisfactory Academic Progress**

### Undergraduates

A student must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) to continue to receive financial aid. Students must maintain a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA in addition to successfully completing a required number of credit hours based on total hours registered. Students cannot exceed attempted credit hours above 150% of their required degree plan. If a student does not maintain the required standards, the student may lose their financial aid eligibility.

Students holding music scholarships must maintain a minimum 2.5 overall cumulative GPA and 3.0 cumulative GPA in music courses.

If at any point you consider dropping this or any other course, please be advised that the decision to do so may have the potential to affect your current and future financial aid eligibility. It is recommended that you to schedule a meeting with an academic advisor in your college or visit the Student Financial Aid and Scholarships office to discuss dropping a course before doing so.

See: [Financial Aid](#)

LINK: <http://financialaid.unt.edu/sap>

### Graduates

A student must maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) to continue to receive financial aid. Students must maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA in addition to successfully completing a required number of credit hours based on total registered hours per term. Music scholarships require a 3.5 cumulative GPA. Students cannot exceed maximum timeframes established based on the published length of the graduate program. If a student does not maintain the required standards, the student may lose their financial aid eligibility.

If at any point you consider dropping this or any other course, please be advised that the decision to do so may have the potential to affect your current and future financial aid eligibility. It is recommended you schedule a meeting with an academic advisor in your college, an advisor in UNT-International or visit the Student Financial Aid and Scholarships office to discuss dropping a course.

See: [Financial Aid](#)

LINK: <http://financialaid.unt.edu/sap>

## **RETENTION OF STUDENT RECORDS**

Student records pertaining to this course are maintained in a secure location by the instructor of record. All records such as exams, answer sheets (with keys), and written papers submitted during the duration of the course are

kept for at least one calendar year after course completion. Course work completed via the Canvas online system, including grading information and comments, is also stored in a safe electronic environment for one year. You have a right to view your individual record; however, information about your records will not be divulged to other individuals without the proper written consent. You are encouraged to review the Public Information Policy and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) laws and the university's policy in accordance with those mandates.

See: [FERPA](#)

Link: <http://ferpa.unt.edu/>

### **COUNSELING AND TESTING**

UNT's Center for Counseling and Testing has an available counselor for students in need. Please visit the Center's website for further information:

See: [Counseling and Testing](#)

Link: <http://studentaffairs.unt.edu/counseling-and-testing-services>.

For more information on mental health resources, please visit:

See: [Mental Health Resources](#)

Link: <https://disparities.unt.edu/mental-health-resources>

### **ADD/DROP POLICY**

Please be reminded that dropping classes or failing to complete and pass registered hours may make you ineligible for financial aid. In addition, if you drop below half-time enrollment you may be required to begin paying back your student loans. See Academic Calendar (listed above) for additional add/drop Information.

Drop Information: <https://registrar.unt.edu/registration/fall-academic-calendar.html>

### **STUDENT RESOURCES**

The University of North Texas has many resources available to students. For a complete list, go to:

See: [Student Resources](#)

Link: <https://success.unt.edu/aa-sa-resources>

### **CARE TEAM**

The Care Team is a collaborative interdisciplinary committee of university officials that meets regularly to provide a response to student, staff, and faculty whose behavior could be harmful to themselves or others.

See: [Care Team](#)

Link: <https://studentaffairs.unt.edu/care-team>