MUSC2703

Performance Laboratory B

Term Three // 2020
Course Overview

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The School of the Arts and Media would like to Respectfully Acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, the Bedegal (Kensington campus), Gadigal (City and Art & Design Campuses) and the Ngunnawal people (Australian Defence Force Academy in Canberra) of the lands where each campus of UNSW is located.
Course Details

Credit Points 4

Summary of the Course

Subject Area: Music Performance, Music Ensemble

In this practical course you will extend your advanced instrumental, vocal or composition skills with one-to-one support from a specialist tutor, and contextualise the application of those skills through participation in workshops, masterclasses and ensembles. These components will combine to enhance your specialist strengths and interests, which in turn will inform your work in the specialist majors of the BMus. Milestones for the course are informed musicianship, for both performers and composers, and effective practice, as the basis of goal-oriented, strategic and autonomous music-making.

Note: This is a 12 UOC course. You will enrol in 4 UOC in each of three successive terms with a result reported by a single grade at the end of the third 4 UOC course.

Course Learning Outcomes

1. Formulate artistic objectives under the guidance of a teacher, demonstrating increasing technical skill in performance or composition
2. Apply the principles of effective personal practice
3. Identify relationships among contextual issues informing performance practice
4. Apply principles of teamwork to music ensemble

Teaching Strategies

Students' personal skills in performance or composition will be developed through one on one consultations with specialist tutors [8 x 1 hour each trimester]. In workshops [9 x 1.5 hours each trimester], instrumental and vocal students will gain performance experience, while composition students will become familiar with issues affecting performance and performance preparation. Workshop settings will also support engagement with issues concerning musicians' health and wellbeing, the development of stage conduct, and an element of peer observation for specialist performance and composition groups. Students will attend masterclasses led by visiting experts in a range of musical instruments, voices and styles, encouraging students to draw links and comparisons with their personal studies [choosing 4 x 2 hours from nine masterclasses across the year]. All students will participate in directed ensembles, choosing from a wide range of musical styles and cultures and participating in a final performance in each trimester [9 x 2 hours rehearsals in each trimester].
Assessment

Further information about the assessment tasks will be given in class or online in week 1.

Assessment Tasks

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<td>Ensemble contribution, performances, part checking test</td>
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<td>Masterclass critiques</td>
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<td>Performance/presentation</td>
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<td>Practical examination</td>
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Assessment Details

Assessment 1: Ensemble contribution, performances, part checking test

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: c. 5 to 10 minutes

Details:

Ensemble part-checking will be undertaken in T1, T2 and T3. Individually or in small groups, students will perform works or excerpts of works, studied and performed during the trimester. Where appropriate, excerpts will be selected by the part-checking examiner.

Direct feedback during rehearsals and workshops. Students’ contribution to ensemble performances and workshops will be assessed through a part-checking examination.

Additional details:

The Ensemble Contribution test will occur towards the end of term. The director of each ensemble will set the assessment date and give further information.

Submission notes: in-class assessment

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Assessment 2: Masterclass critiques

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: 4 x 500 words
Details:

Critiques will be submitted across T1, T2 and T3. These will be related to masterclasses presented by visiting experts in a range of musical styles and activities. Critique questions will be scaffolded to encourage students to identify issues for discussion, and to draw links among performance elements and scholarly literature.

Written feedback will be provided online through Moodle

Additional details:

Four critiques are to be submitted in total. Students should submit at least one critique in each of terms 1, 2 and 3. The fourth critique can be submitted at any time during the year. No more than four critiques per year will be marked.

The critiques must be submitted via Moodle no later than one week after the masterclass to which they relate. Penalties will apply for late submission.

Submission notes: Online through Moodle

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Assessment 3: Performance/presentation

Start date: Not Applicable

Details:

Performance/presentations will be conducted during workshop sessions in T1 and T2. Instrumentalists and vocalists will perform one complete item, which may be a movement of a larger work; composers, similarly, will present the performance of one item or movement. Because the type of assessment is distinct, Performance/presentations may include material that will appear again in the Performance examination or Composition portfolio in T3; however, each of the three tasks – two performance/presentations and one Performance examination or Composition portfolio – must include some new material. The presentation will include a spoken introduction, and will be accompanied by a short summarising document including references. The introduction and document will report and monitor the personal plan of activity for the whole of the 12-credit course, devised by each student in negotiation with his or her specialist tutor.

Feedback: written reports

Additional details:

There are no assessed Performance Presentations in Term 3.
Submission notes: in class presentation

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment

Assessment 4: Practical examination

Start date: Not Applicable

Length: 25 minutes

Details:

For performance students, examinations will be undertaken in T3. Students will present a 25-minute programme including 5 minutes of technical work, devised in negotiation with their specialist tutors to suit their personal interests and trajectories. Students identifying as jazz specialists will present technical work from the jazz syllabus devised for this course. The examination will also include a short sight-reading test for all students. The examination will also include a short sight-reading test for all students. This will be the final assessment task for performers.

For composition students, portfolios will be submitted in T3. Portfolios may include any number of works, but the total duration of works should be 15-20 minutes. Scores should be submitted, along with recordings of all works, and one of the recordings must be of a live performance. This will be the final assessment task for composers.

Feedback: Written report on practical exam and composition portfolio.

Additional details:

Exam programs must be submitted for approval via the examination portal by week 5.

Turnitin setting: This is not a Turnitin assignment
Attendance Requirements

Students are strongly encouraged to attend all classes and review lecture recordings.

Course Schedule

View class timetable

Timetable

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<td>O Week: 8 September - 11 September</td>
<td>Studio</td>
<td>Don't forget to enroll in an Ensemble during O-Week</td>
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| Week 1: 14 September - 18 September | Studio | Mon 9:00 - 10:30 Studio 334 
                              |       | Wed 9:00 - 10:30 Studio 334                 |

At the beginning of this term we will be discussing effective practice techniques, well-being for musicians, and MPA (music performance anxiety) through examining several chapters in the recommended text for this course, ‘Musical Excellence: strategies and techniques to enhance performance’ ed. Aaron Williamon. We will discuss your own experiences of these issues and compare/contrast them with the peer-reviewed research which is referenced in the text. The Williamon (ed) text is available through the UNSW Library and in the bookshop. Further scheduling details will be posted to Moodle before each week.

There will also be informal class discussions relating to performance and composition as in the previous two terms.

In the latter part of the term, two non-assessed performances will be scheduled for each performer, and presentations for composers (if desired), to prepare for your Practical Exams/Portfolios. The first presentation could feature technical work, and the second, repertoire. The choice is up to you and your tutor.

Lecture | Friday 18 September: 15:00 - 17:00 online lecture with Todd Barton (US) music synthesizer composer and performer
| Week 2: 21 September - 25 September | Studio | Mon/Wed studio classes according to your own timetable.  
Critique response due on Friday. |
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<td>Week 3: 28 September - 2 October</td>
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| Week 5: 12 October - 16 October  | Studio | Mon/Wed studio classes according to your own timetable.  
Exams programs must be entered via the student portal this week. |
| Lecture                          |        | Lecture/masterclass **Friday** 16 October, 15:00 - 17:00, Studio 334, with  
**Monica Buckland, conductor and educator**  
Critique question will be post on Moodle before the lecture. |
| Week 6: 19 October - 23 October  | Homework | Practice Week.  
There are no studio classes this week.  
Critique response due on Friday. |
| Week 7: 26 October - 30 October  | Studio | Mon/Wed studio classes according to your own timetable.  
Non-assessed Performances/Presentations. Please bring a score for feedback purposes. |
| Week 8: 2 November - 6 November | Studio | Mon/Wed studio classes according to your own timetable.  
Non-assessed Performances/Presentations. Please bring a score for feedback purposes. |
| Week 9: 9 November - 13 November | Studio | Mon/Wed studio classes.  
Non-assessed in-class performances. Please bring a score for feedback purposes. |
<p>| Lecture                          |        | Friday 13 November, 15:00-17:00 masterclass/lecture, Studio 334 with Claire Edwards |</p>
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<th>Week 10: 16 November - 20 November</th>
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Resources

Prescribed Resources


Recommended Resources


https://www.library.unsw.edu.au/study

*For singers:

http://www.atlantavoicelessons.com/vocaltechnique.htm


http://www2.siba.fi/harjoittelu/index.php?id=2&la=en

https://societymusictheory.org/societies/interest/performanceanalysis/bibliography

https://www.learnjazzstandards.com/

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For writing technique: handbooks for writers available at the UNSW Library

Course Evaluation and Development

You will be invited to complete the MyExperience survey at the conclusion of the term. The feedback from the survey will be taken into consideration during forward planning for next term/year.
Submission of Assessment Tasks

Turnitin Submission

If you encounter a problem when attempting to submit your assignment through Turnitin, please telephone External Support on 9385 3331 or email them on externalteltsupport@unsw.edu.au. Support hours are 8:00am – 10:00pm on weekdays and 9:00am – 5:00pm on weekends (365 days a year). If you are unable to submit your assignment due to a fault with Turnitin you may apply for an extension, but you must retain your ticket number from External Support (along with any other relevant documents) to include as evidence to support your extension application. If you email External Support you will automatically receive a ticket number, but if you telephone you will need to specifically ask for one. Turnitin also provides updates on their system status on Twitter.

Generally, assessment tasks must be submitted electronically via either Turnitin or a Moodle assignment. In instances where this is not possible, it will be stated on your course’s Moodle site with alternative submission details.

For information on how to submit assignments online via Moodle: https://student.unsw.edu.au/how-submit-assignment-moodle
Academic Honesty and Plagiarism

Plagiarism is using the words or ideas of others and presenting them as your own. It can take many forms, from deliberate cheating to accidentally copying from a source without acknowledgement.

UNSW groups plagiarism into the following categories:

Copying: using the same or very similar words to the original text or idea without acknowledging the source or using quotation marks. This also applies to images, art and design projects, as well as presentations where someone presents another’s ideas or words without credit.

Inappropriate paraphrasing: Changing a few words and phrases while mostly retaining the original structure and/or progression of ideas of the original, and information without acknowledgement. This also applies in presentations where someone paraphrases another’s ideas or words without credit and to piecing together quotes and paraphrases into a new whole, without appropriate referencing.

Collusion: working with others but passing off the work as a person’s individual work. Collusion also includes providing your work to another student before the due date, or for the purpose of them plagiarising at any time, paying another person to perform an academic task, stealing or acquiring another person’s academic work and copying it, offering to complete another person’s work or seeking payment for completing academic work.

Inappropriate citation: Citing sources which have not been read, without acknowledging the "secondary" source from which knowledge of them has been obtained.

Duplication ("self-plagiarism"): submitting your own work, in whole or in part, where it has previously been prepared or submitted for another assessment or course at UNSW or another university.

Correct referencing practices:

- Paraphrasing, summarising, essay writing and time management
- Appropriate use of and attribution for a range of materials including text, images, formulae and concepts.

Individual assistance is available on request from The Learning Centre (http://www.lc.unsw.edu.au/). Students are also reminded that careful time management is an important part of study and one of the identified causes of plagiarism is poor time management. Students should allow sufficient time for research, drafting and proper referencing of sources in preparing all assessment items.

UNSW Library also has the ELISE tool available to assist you with your study at UNSW. ELISE is designed to introduce new students to studying at UNSW but it can also be a great refresher during your study.

Completing the ELISE tutorial and quiz will enable you to:

- analyse topics, plan responses and organise research for academic writing and other assessment tasks
- effectively and efficiently find appropriate information sources and evaluate relevance to your needs
- use and manage information effectively to accomplish a specific purpose
- better manage your time
- understand your rights and responsibilities as a student at UNSW
- be aware of plagiarism, copyright, UNSW Student Code of Conduct and Acceptable Use of
  UNSW ICT Resources Policy
- be aware of the standards of behaviour expected of everyone in the UNSW community
- locate services and information about UNSW and UNSW Library

Some of these areas will be familiar to you, others will be new. Gaining a solid understanding of all the
related aspects of ELISE will help you make the most of your studies at UNSW.

http://subjectguides.library.unsw.edu.au/elise/aboutelise
Academic Information

For essential student information relating to:

- requests for extension;
- late submissions guidelines;
- review of marks;
- UNSW Health and Safety policies;
- examination procedures;
- special consideration in the event of illness or misadventure;
- student equity and disability;
- and other essential academic information, see

https://www.arts.unsw.edu.au/current-students/academic-information/protocols-guidelines/

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