# RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACADEMIC COURSE OUTLINE

# **MUSC 214 Musicianship IV**

# **I. Basic Course Information**

A. Course Number and Title: MUSC 214: Musicianship IV

B. New or Modified Course: Modified

C. Date of Proposal: Semester: Fall Year: 2019

D. Effective Term: Fall 2020

E. Sponsoring Department: Arts & Design

F. Semester Credit Hours: 1

G. Weekly Contact Hours: 2 Lecture: 0

Laboratory: 2

Out of class student work per week: 1

H. Prerequisites: Music Theory III (MUSC 211) and Musicianship III (213)

Co-requisite: Music Theory IV (MUSC212)

I. Laboratory Fees: none

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## **II. Catalog Description**

Prerequisite: Music Theory III (MUSC211) and Musicianship III (MUSC213)

Co-requisite: Music Theory IV (MUSC212).

Music Theory I, II, III and IV and Musicianship I, II, III, and IV must be taken in sequence and are designed for music majors and others with adequate background. Musicianship IV will continue the development of skills in music reading, sight singing, ear training, dictation, and keyboard harmony.

#### III. Statement of Course Need

- **A.** This course, as part of the integration of the Music Theory and Musicianship sequence, is an essential part of the professional skills required by all musicians.
- **B.** Course transferability: Based on evaluations at the njtransfer.org website, Theory and Musicianship courses transfer as the equivalent theory program for Associate and Bachelor degrees in the Arts and Fine Arts.

# IV. Place of Course in College Curriculum

- A. Free elective
- B. This course serves as a studio arts elective for AA Liberal Arts Majors
- C. This course serves as a program requirement for the AFA Music degree.
- D. To see course transferability for New Jersey colleges and universities, go to the NJ Transfer website, <a href="www.njtransfer.org">www.njtransfer.org</a>; for other colleges and universities, go to the individual college website.

## **V. Outline of Course Content**

- A. Sight singing (treble and bass clefs) of diatonic and chromatic melodies, with various complexities in key signatures, rhythms and chromatic alterations. Will include techniques used in 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Century music.
- B. One, two, and three-part rhythm drills.
- C. Aural recognition of intervals, scales and various chord types including chromatic harmony.
- D. One and two-part melodic and rhythmic dictations. Simple three-part dictation. 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> Century techniques will be included.
- E. Keyboard exercises that integrate pitch, rhythm and harmonic materials that parallel content of Music Theory IV.

**Note**: The work will follow a logical progression of challenge and difficulty following the accomplishments in Musicianship III.

## **VI. General Education and Course Learning Outcomes**

#### A. General Education Outcomes

The student will:

Engage in exercises and drills that develop and strengthen professional musical skills with musical language, vocabulary and applications. (GE-NJ 6)

### **B.** Course Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

1. Identify by ear various musical intervals, scales and modes, melodic patterns, rhythmic combinations, chord types and harmonic progressions.

- 2. Sight-sing selected diatonic and chromatic melodies in various keys with selected rhythmic complexities. Advances in chromatic and twelve-tone abilities will be developed.
- 3. Demonstrate rhythm recognition and skill in one and two-part exercises.
- 4. Notate, from aural recognition, examples of the musical parameters listed above.
- 5. Apply the use of the keyboard to the study and the demonstration of these musical elements.

(\* embedded critical thinking)

# C. Assessment Instruments

- 1. Written examinations and quizzes, including aural recognition and dictation.
- 2. Performance examinations, including sight-singing, rhythm drills and keyboard applications.

#### VII. Grade Determinants

- A. Examinations: written, aural, performance of skills
- B. Independent effort, progress
- C. Attendance, classroom participation

Formats, modes and methods that may be used for teaching and learning:

- A. lecture/discussion
- B. individual work with the instructor
- C. small-group work

#### **VIII. Texts and Materials**

A. **Text**: no specified text, although an instructor may choose to adopt a certain method book for on-going sight-singing and/or rhythm drills.

An instructor will likely select a variety of musical drills from various sources.

(Please note: The course outline is intended only as a guide to course content and resources. Do not purchase textbooks based on this outline. The RVCC bookstore is the sole resource for the most up-to-date information about textbooks.)

B. Materials: manuscript paper, pencil

#### IX. Resources

- A. Sound-proof music classroom with piano
- B. Stereo and media systems
- C. Available keyboards practice rooms, A-23 keyboard studio