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MUSI 162A.18: Saxophone Ensemble

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Attendance Policy: The student is required to be at every rehearsal. If a student must miss a rehearsal, it is the student’s responsibility to reschedule with the group and the instructor. The student is also responsible for signing out a room for the new rehearsal time. Please notify instructor at least 24 hours prior to the trade. Medical excuses and University sponsored trips are acceptable reasons for missing a rehearsal, otherwise approval of the instructor is required in advance. Two unexcused absences from rehearsal will result in a failing grade for that semester.

Required Materials:
1) Good quality: metronome, tuner, and access to tuning drones.
2) A notebook for assignments
3) The student is financially responsible for music handed out in class.

Course Description: Rehearse and perform saxophone quartet music.

Objective: Develop ensemble blending, style and tuning skills. Develop understanding of the saxophone quartet repertoire. Develop cooperative skills in a chamber group setting.

Performance: Each quartet is required to perform at least once per semester.

Preparation: Each individual is required to prepare his/her own part before rehearsals. The group is required to meet at least two hours per week (one hour with the instructor and one hour as a quartet only).

Grading: Student will be graded each week for the quality, consistency, and quantity of preparation for each rehearsal. Student is also graded based on attendance at rehearsals. Two unexcused absences from rehearsal will result in a failing grade for that semester. A missed performance results in an automatic failing grade for the semester.
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