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University of Montana
Jazz Workshop Band IV Syllabus – Spring 2016

MUSI 131A 04; 1 Credit

Music Building, Rooms 1 and 105

Wednesday 7:10 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday 27.January.2016-Thursday 5.May.2016

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Expectations: Members are required to spend time outside of rehearsal preparing music to the highest level of musicality and success. If a director determines an individual's preparation for the ensemble, section, or part is inadequate, he reserves the right to remove said member from the group. Attendance at all rehearsals and performances is expected. In order to receive an A, one must attend five (5) jazz events not including the performances of Jazz Workshop Band IV. Music majors are expected to attend shared jazz departments performances; these will not count toward the five (5) required events for the semester. Jazz department performances not involving Jazz Workshop Band IV will be considered events contributing to the five (5) jazz events for music majors. Non-music majors may choose to remain at shared events as credit toward the five (5) required events. Masterclasses, guest artist performances, poster hangings, and other events approved by a director may count toward the five (5) required events.

Attendance: Members are required to attend all rehearsals. If you must miss a rehearsal for any reason, you must contact a director in advance of the absence to see if it will be excused. In approved situations, opportunities to make up for missed rehearsals will be available to minimize the impact on one's grade. Unexcused absences from a Jazz Workshop Band IV performance will result in an automatic failure.

Dress: Concert attire will be all black.

Section Leaders: Each section of the ensemble will have a designated leader responsible for the preparation of his/her section. This may include sectionals outside of designated rehearsal time. Members are responsible for attending and preparing music for sectionals.

Office Hours: Weekly office hours will be posted outside the Graduate Teaching Assistant office, Room 2B. These hours change weekly, so please contact a director to make arrangements if there are conflicts with the posted schedule.

Academic Honesty: All students must practice academic honesty. Academic misconduct is subject to an academic penalty by the course instructor and/or disciplinary sanction by the University of Montana. All students need to be familiar with the Student Conduct Code. The Code is available for review online at: www.umt.edu/SA/VPSA/Index.cfm/page/1321.

Students with disabilities may request reasonable modifications by contacting me. The University of Montana assures equal access to instruction through collaboration between students with disabilities, instructors, and Disability Services for Students (DSS). "Reasonable" means the University permits no fundamental alterations of academic standards or retroactive modifications. For more information, please consult <http://www.umt.edu/disability>.

Spring 2016 Performances and Events

Thursday 4. February		Missoula Jazz Concert Tribute to Count Basie
Friday 5. February		Fusion
Saturday 6. February		Jeff Hamilton Trio Masterclass
Saturday 6. February	7:30 p.m.	Jeff Hamilton Trio Performance – REQUIRED
Tuesday 9. February	7:30 p.m.	Dr. Bob LedBetter Recital
Monday/Tuesday 22/23. February		UM Concert Band Festival – Jazz I Performance at 12:00 p.m.
Saturday 5. March		Odyssey
Tuesday 8. March		Symphonic Winds Ensemble/Jazz Ensemble I
Monday 14. March		Sam White (saxophone) Masterclass
Monday 14. March		Jazz at the Break
Wednesday 16. March		Festival Preparations
		Ensemble rehearsals with guest artists
Thursday/Friday 17/18. March		Buddy DeFranco Jazz Festival – REQUIRED*
Sunday 17. April		Small Group Performance (1) TBA
Monday-Thursday 18-21. April		Jazzoula – Small Groups and Jazz Ensemble I
Wednesday 27. April		Jazz Arrangers Concert with guest artist
Thursday 5. May		Concert Band/Lab Jazz Band III/Jazz Workshop Band IV Performance REQUIRED

***University of Montana Buddy DeFranco Jazz Festival:** Each member of the jazz program is responsible for working a minimum of four (4) hours for this event. Sign-up sheets will be posted before the beginning of the event.