

CLASS PIANO

MVK 1111 (First year class piano)

MVK 1112 (Second year class piano)

Text: Alfred's Group Piano For Adults Level 1, 2nd Edition, Lancaster/ Renfrow

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Student Information & Course Objectives

Music Majors

- All music education majors, vocal majors, and instrumental majors are required to demonstrate adequate proficiency at the keyboard in the areas of sight reading, transposition, technique, harmonization, improvisation and repertoire by the **end of sophomore year**. These are the functional skills deemed to be of value to the prospective musician or music teacher. Four terms of piano study are recommended for the student who desires to pursue work towards a Bachelor's degree in music.
- If you are a music major with no previous piano training, it is strongly recommended that you elect four terms of class piano in order to prepare for the final proficiency exam which will be administered by the piano faculty. Students who have had two terms of MVK 1111 may opt to register for private instruction (MVK 2221).
- **Non-music majors** who enroll in MVK 1111 will be required to fulfill the same assignments and test required of the music major; however, he/she will not be required to take the final proficiency exam required of all majors. The grade for non-music majors will be based on the instructor's evaluation of the student's progress, effort, and demonstrated skills.
- **Regular attendance** and sufficient outside preparation are mandatory for the completion of the desired goals. Excessive absences (more than 3 unexcused) or inadequate preparation will result in a non-passing grade.
- **Periodic testing** and individual performance in the classroom will take place throughout the course. No make-up tests will be given for unexcused absences, however the lowest test grade will be dropped. At the end of each term, exams will be administered by the piano staff. The final grade will be determined as follows.
 1. Attendance and preparation
 2. Test to measure progress and classroom performance
A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0
 3. Final proficiency exam (For those who qualify)