

SUNY- NEW PALTZ MUSIC DEPARTMENT
COLLEGE-COMMUNITY CHORALE
Course Syllabus and Information Sheet, Spring 2017

Course Number: MUS142. 1 credit, 3 contact hours.

Chorale Website: www.collegecommunitychorale.org

Director: Dr. Edward Lundergan, lunderge@newpaltz.edu

Office: CHG108, phone 257-2715. **Office Hours:** MR 9:15-10:45, T 11-12 or by appointment

Rehearsals: Wednesday, 7:00-9:30, CHG 115 (Shepard Recital Hall)

Concert 1 Tuesday, March 28, 8 p.m., Studley Theatre.

Music of Fauré, Mendelssohn, Rutter, Beethoven

Concert 2 Tuesday, May 9, 8 p.m., St. Joseph's Church, Elting Avenue, New Paltz.

Beethoven *Mass in C* with SUNY-New Paltz Concert Choir, soloists and orchestra

Dress Rehearsals: Monday, March 27, 7 p.m., Studley Theatre

Monday, May 8, 7 p.m., St. Joseph's Church

Course Description: The largest combined choral ensemble of the College. Open to all students, faculty and community members on a non-audition basis. Consultation with the director is recommended before registering. May be repeated for credit.

Learning Outcomes: Students will:

Rehearse and perform programs of outstanding choral music

Develop the physical, mental, and aural skills that comprise good vocal technique.

Develop confidence in performing for an audience.

Develop an awareness of diverse musical styles and historical periods as they relate to choral performance

Membership: Open to both students and community residents. No audition is required for membership. However, the Director may require an audition to determine whether a member will perform in concert.

Grading: Students will be evaluated against themselves and not against each other. Students without much choral experience will not be judged against others with more. Everyone will be evaluated according to progress within the class, and not prior knowledge or experience.

Each member begins the semester with a grade of "B". An "A" can be earned by

-- consistent attendance at rehearsals

-- a disciplined and diligent approach to the music to be learned

-- service to the choir in such capacities as section leader, librarian, or stage crew

The lack of the above may result in a grade lower than "B". In particular, each unexcused absence from rehearsal after the first will result in lowering the grade by two-thirds of a letter. For example:

Unexcused Absences	Maximum Possible Grade
0-1	A
2	B+
3	B-

Absence -- excused or unexcused -- from a dress rehearsal or concert will result in lowering the grade a minimum of one full letter.

Excused absences can be granted only for serious reasons, after consultation with the Director, in advance if at all possible.

Use of Cell Phones is not permitted during rehearsals.

1. Academic integrity policy statement: *Students are expected to maintain the highest standards of honesty in their college work. Cheating, forgery, and plagiarism are serious offenses, and students found guilty of any form of academic dishonesty are subject to disciplinary action. New Paltz's policy on academic integrity is found at http://www.newpaltz.edu/ugc/policies/policies_integrity.html, and several excellent resources to help with avoiding plagiarism are available on the Sojourner Truth Library's website: <http://lib.newpaltz.edu/assistance/plag.html>.*

2. Reasonable accommodation of individuals with disabilities statement: *Students needing classroom and/or testing accommodations related to a disability should contact the Disability Resource Center (Student Union, Room 210, 845-257-3020) as close as possible to the beginning of the semester. The DRC will then provide students' instructors with an Accommodation Memo verifying the need for accommodations. Specific questions about services and accommodations may be directed to Deanna Knapp, Assistant Director (knappd@newpaltz.edu).*

3. Veteran and Military Services statement: *New Paltz's Office of Veteran and Military Services (OVMS) is committed to serving the needs of veterans, service members and their dependents during their transition from military life to student life. Student veterans, service members or their dependents who need assistance while attending SUNY New Paltz may refer to www.newpaltz.edu/veterans; call 845-257-3120, -3124 or -3074; or stop by the Student Union, Room 100 South.*

4. Computer and network policies statement: *Users of New Paltz's computer resources and network facilities are required to comply with the institutional policies outlined in the Acceptable Uses and Privacy Policy (<https://sites.newpaltz.edu/csc/policies/acceptable-uses-and-privacy-policy/>).*

Concert Dress:

Men: Dark suit or jacket, white shirt, long dark tie, black pants, black shoes, and socks

Women: Black blouse, black skirt (at least knee-length) or pants, black shoes and stockings

If you anticipate any difficulty in locating these items, please consult with the Director immediately.

Course Withdrawal Deadline: March 31

A **minimum grade** of C- is required in all courses that count toward the Music major.

Information about Online SEI's:

Each student is responsible for completing the Student Evaluation of Instruction (SEI) for this course. Professors value your feedback and use it to improve teaching and planning. Please complete the form during the open period on-line, April 26-May 10.

Financial Support: Community members (non-students) are asked either to contribute \$20 per semester or to sell \$20 worth of tickets to the May concert.