

**SPRING 2021**  
**VOICE LESSONS - COURSE SYLLABUS**  
**MUAP 1162 and MUAP 2262**

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**Course Objective**

The purpose of this course is to develop the singer's voice to the individual's highest potential. This will be done through a strong foundation of the vocal and musical basics. Artistic communication through performance is emphasized and will be tailored to the individual student's goals, whether those goals be vocational or recreational.

**Course Content**

- A. Breathing Exercises and Vocalises
- B. Repertoire chosen by the instructor, which may include contemporary, classical, folk styles and, if applicable, the music assigned in choir.

**Texts/Materials:**

The student will be required to have a pencil and notebook as well as any music assigned by the instructor. Access to Blackboard is required. A recording device such as a computer or phone is required.

**Recitals:**

Participation in the non-voice major recital at the end of the semester is encouraged, but not required.

**Grading:**

Based on lesson attendance, practice, and lesson preparation,

Attendance: 60%

Practice/ Preparation of assigned music: 30%

Final Exam: 10% (blackboard reflection assignment)

A grade will be given after every lesson that will be calculated into this average

**CLASS ATTENDANCE/PARTICIPATION**

We are in an extraordinary era right now as Covid 19 has disrupted the normal lives of every person in the world. Singers are at a disadvantage right now because of the possibility of respiratory droplets spread through the action of singing. This class will be meeting via Zoom at the moment. If there is a possibility of face- to-face meetings occurring in the near future, the student will be offered that opportunity. As detailed in the college catalog, a student who has missed class or has not logged into Blackboard for 3 calendar weeks, you will be emailed by the instructor to drop the course. If you do not drop the course or contact the instructor, you will be dropped administratively

and will receive an X on your transcript. It is better to have a W (you yourself drop the class) than an X (Instructor drop).

### **COVID 19 POLICY**

It is the policy of South Plains College for the Spring 2021 semester that as a condition of on-campus enrollment, all students are required to engage in safe behaviors to avoid the spread of COVID-19 in the SPC community. Such behaviors specifically include the requirement that all students properly wear CDC-compliant face coverings while in SPC buildings including in classrooms, labs, hallways, and restrooms. Failure to comply with this policy may result in dismissal from the current class session. If the student refuses to leave the classroom or lab after being dismissed, the student may be referred to the Dean of Students on the Levelland campus or the Dean/Director of external centers for Student Code of Conduct Violation. Students who believe they have been exposed or may be COVID-19 positive, must contact Health Services, DeEtte Edens, BSN, RN at (806) 716-2376 or [dedens@southplainscollege.edu](mailto:dedens@southplainscollege.edu) **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY**

**WARNING – Cheating or plagiarism will result in the student receiving a 0 on the assignment for the first offense, second offense you will be dropped from the class.**

**Campus Concealed Carry - Texas Senate Bill - 11 (Government Code 411.2031, et al.) authorizes the carrying of a concealed handgun in South Plains College buildings only by persons who have been issued and are in possession of a Texas License to Carry a Handgun. Qualified law enforcement officers or those who are otherwise authorized to carry a concealed handgun in the State of Texas are also permitted to do so. Pursuant to Penal Code (PC) 46.035 and South Plains College policy, license holders may not carry a concealed handgun in restricted locations. For a list of locations, please refer to the SPC policy at: ([http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human\\_resources/policy\\_procedure/hhc.php](http://www.southplainscollege.edu/human_resources/policy_procedure/hhc.php))**

**Pursuant to PC 46.035, the open carrying of handguns is prohibited on all South Plains College campuses. Report violations to the College Police Department at 806-716-2396 or 9-1-1.**

### **SPC Standard Disability Statement**

**Students with disabilities, including but not limited to physical, psychiatric, or learning disabilities, who wish to request accommodations in this class should notify the Disability Services Office early in the semester so that the appropriate arrangements may be made. In accordance with federal law, a student requesting accommodations must provide acceptable documentation of his/her disability to the Disability Services Office. For more information, call or visit the Disability Services Office at Levelland (Student Health & Wellness Office) 806-716-2577, Reese Center (Building 8) & Lubbock Center 806-716-4675, or Plainview Center (Main Office) 806-716-4302 or 806-296-9611.**

### **Non-Discrimination Statement**

**South Plains College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Vice President for Student Affairs, South Plains College -1401 College Avenue, Box 5, Levelland, TX 79336, 806-894-9611**

### **Diversity Statement:**

**In this class, the teacher will establish and support an environment that values and nurtures individual and group differences and encourages engagement and interaction. Understanding and respecting multiple experiences and perspectives will serve to challenge and stimulate all of us to learn about others, about the larger world and about ourselves. By promoting diversity and intellectual exchange, we will not only mirror society as it is, but also model society as it should and can be.**