

**MU 178/478: BAND**  
**1:40-2:55**  
**ROOM MR 100**

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**COURSE DESCRIPTION: (1-2 HOURS)** Open to any instrumentalist with performing experience on a band instrument. Two rehearsals per week are required. Required large ensemble for music majors. Repertoire will reflect music to be performed by a concert band or small combo. May be repeated for credit for up to eight (8) hours. Fall semester.

**RATIONALE:** Band is designed to give the instrumental music student the opportunity to perform in a large ensemble. Objectives include learning how to listen across the ensemble, study the history and sociological baggage attached to music and gaining an appreciation for music ranging from the Baroque period to the popular music of today.

**GOAL:** The successful band student will gain increased understanding of the repertoire throughout history. Specific repertoire will be chosen to guide the student to a greater appreciation through performance.

**COMPETENCIES:** Successful students will master concepts pertaining to ensemble blending, instrumental techniques in an ensemble setting and basic conducting techniques. Students will also demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the repertoire in formal concert settings.

**REQUIRED TEXT:** No required text, but all students are expected to have their own instruments. Some exceptions will be made.

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS:** Attend all classes. Two (2) absences allowed without penalty; additional absences will result in grade reduction. Please refer to the Missouri Valley College statement below regarding class attendance. Complete all assignments when given. Full participation in rehearsals and concerts is mandatory to receive a grade other than "F".

**CLASSROOM DECORUM:**

You are expected to abide by the codes and conduct outlined in the 2006-2007 Missouri Valley College Student Handbook since such formality and consideration of others is part of a liberal arts education. Please turn off cell phones and pagers during class time.

**Academic Dishonesty:** Band abides by the official policies found in the 2006–2007 *Missouri Valley College Student Handbook* and other Missouri Valley College documents pertaining to this academic year. All forms of academic dishonesty including cheating and plagiarism will not be tolerated.

Plagiarism, the unacknowledged use of others' ideas, organization, and words, is a most serious offense. Be certain, therefore, to document all sources you use in your writing, **even when you paraphrase or summarize.** There is no standard for "fair use."

The first offense results in your failing the assignment. The second offense in the same class results in your failing the course. Three offenses can result in dismissal from college.

Academic dishonesty, in any form, must be reported to the Division Dean and the Vice President of Academic Affairs. It can result in dismissal from college.

### **MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT:**

It shall be the responsibility of every student enrolled at Missouri Valley College to support the academic integrity of the institution. This applies to personal honesty in all aspects of collegiate work, all student records and all contracts with faculty and staff. Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated.

It shall also be the responsibility of every student enrolled at Missouri Valley College to be respectful of the rights of other students, staff and instructors to ensure a safe, peaceful atmosphere conducive to the educational goals of an institution of higher learning. Rude or disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.

Student actions that do not adhere to the MVC Student Code of Conduct will be addressed according to college policies regarding academic dishonesty and disruptive behavior. Students who exhibit dishonest, disruptive or disrespectful behavior shall risk suspension or expulsion from the institution.

### **MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE:**

Any student who misses two consecutive weeks of class will be administratively withdrawn from class. If the withdrawal takes place within the first 6 weeks of class, the student will receive a grade of "W". If the withdrawal takes place after the 6<sup>th</sup> week of class, the student will receive a grade of "WF" or "WP". The student will be notified of this action by the Registrar's Office. Readmission will be considered only in extenuating circumstances as approved by the Vice President of Academic Affairs and the Registrar. In such cases, where readmission is approved, a readmit fee of \$350.00 will be charged. If a student drops below full-time status of 12 hours, financial aid may be adversely affected.

Resident students dropping below 12 hours will be asked to move out of campus housing. Note: If you know that you want to drop or withdraw from a class, please see your advisor. Do not count on this policy to automatically withdraw you.

**SPECIAL NEEDS:**

Students with special needs as described by the Americans with Disabilities Act are asked to inform the instructor immediately. With proper documentation, all reasonable efforts will be made to accommodate these needs.

**ASSESSMENT:** Grades will be determined using the following criteria:

- participation in class discussions and activities
- completion of assignments in a timely manner
- class attendance
- tests and quizzes
- production of proper music on your chosen instrument

A=90-100%; B=83-89%; C=73-82%; D=65-72%; F=below65%

**PORTFOLIO:** Students are encouraged to keep a portfolio of their best work throughout college years. Although portfolios are not required by all professors, they are an excellent source of material for prospective employers and to build a resume. Students may consult an advisor to determine appropriate materials, but are responsible for the development and maintenance of their portfolio.