MUS 211, Hawaiian Ensemble
2 Credits (CRN 60394)
Monday & Wednesday 10-11:15am

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WINDWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE MISSION STATEMENT

Windward Community College offers innovative programs in the arts and sciences and opportunities to gain knowledge and understanding of Hawai‘i and its unique heritage. With a special commitment to support the access and educational needs of Native Hawaiians, we provide the Ko‘olau region of O‘ahu and beyond with liberal arts, career and lifelong learning in a supportive and challenging environment — inspiring students to excellence.

CATALOG DESCRIPTION

Performance of Hawaiian music for groups of various sizes at an introductory level. Exploration of basic principles of history and development of ensemble performance. Students learn to play while singing. Ability to read music is not required. Repeatable up to 6 credits (1 hour lecture, 2 hour lecture/lab)

Pre-Requisite(s): Grade of C or better in MUS 121Z, MUS 121F, MUS 121D, OR by instructor consent.

Activities Required at Scheduled Times Other Than Class Times

*Participation at our Class Concert in Paliku Theater on May 1st from 4-9pm.

*Participation in 2 Kanikapila
  -Thursday March 7th Guest TBA 5:30-7:30 ($10 Registration fee)
  -Thursday April 11th Guest TBA 5:30-7:30 ($10 Registration fee)

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

The student learning outcomes for the course are:
1. Discuss the history of Hawaiian music
2. Demonstrate basic concepts, such as rhythm, notation, dynamics, and expression in accurate performances.
3. Demonstrate professional performance practices

**COURSE TASKS**

**1. Attendance:** The method of teaching is patterned after the oral traditions of Hawaiian history. Traditionally, information was given personally from kumu to haumana or teacher to student. Therefore, all assignments are given in class. Each class is worth 10 points, In order to receive ten points you must have your instrument and be tuned by the time class starts and actively participate throughout the class. Attendance points may be deducted from individuals who are too distracted whether it is not playing when they should be or something as simple as too much time looking at a phone. Anyone who is tardy or who does not have their instrument will only have the possibility to receive only 5 points for that day. If an absence is excused all 10 points and grading done in class can be made up. After 4 absences your grade will drop a letter with each additional absence, thus you will automatically fail the class if you are absent 8 times. Lessons are accumulative and there will be no time to review in whole what was already explained the previous day. If for whatever reason you cannot attend class, it then becomes your responsibility to make up for lessons missed. You may ask fellow class members to help you review the lesson. This is done outside of class and on your own time. You may also ask me and I will try to make arrangements to help you during my office hours. Please, just come to class.

**2. Oral Report:** An oral report is given on an assigned Hawaiian music ensemble. This activity is to help everyone become familiar with prominent groups in the Hawaiian music community. The report will be no less than 3 minutes and no longer than 5 minutes. The report should include the group’s beginnings, where the group members grew up, what their musical influences are, noteworthy accomplishments, and any other interesting facts worth mentioning. Time is specified and your report may include any form of media i.e. power point, video, or musical selections. You will need to hand in a one (1) page outline to me prior to your presentation. As with all formal public speeches you need to be considerate of your audience. You will be graded on posture, appearance, clarity, and information disseminated.

**3. Quiz:** There will be a practical quiz after learning critical parts in each song

**4. Reflection Papers:** Occasionally you will be given quotes or questions to think about and reflect on. Your reflections should be one page and give your personal thoughts on the subject for reflection. It needs to be 12 font, double spaced. Like the film response, this is a personal reflection paper and you may use words such as” I believe,” “I feel” or “I thought”. Papers are due at the beginning of the next class. These will be turned in on Laulima discussions and Messages.

**5. Film Response:** These are films to be watched in class. It must be one page and have a clear perspective on what you found interesting about the film and why you agree or disagree with what was presented in the video. It needs to be 12 font, double spaced and three paragraphs only. This is a personal reflection paper and you may use words such as” I believe,” “I feel” or “I thought”. Papers are due at the beginning of next class after viewing the film. These will be turned in on Laulima discussions and Messages.
6. Mid-Term Exam: This exam will be taken in class. The exam will include items of multiple-choice, true/false, matching, and short answer. This will test your knowledge of information given from the beginning of the semester up to this point of the semester.

7. Final: We will have a final recital as a class on May 1st. We will perform all of our songs learned throughout the semester. We will perform as a group however you will be graded individually on how well you perform on stage in front of a live audience.

8. In Class Group Performances - You will be required to perform 6 times throughout the semester with a group of classmates which will be chosen by the teacher. Four of the songs will be from our class repertoire and you will be able to choose the remaining two. For the two songs that your group chooses, it is your group’s responsibility to decide on the arrangements. I will be available to help in the process. Five of the six songs must be Hawaiian and one can be of any genre.

9. Song composition: You will be required to compose a song on an issue of your choice. Each issue must be approved before composition is started. The song must use at least 3 different chords and have at least 2 verses. Kumu will help in this process to ensure that you have the tools necessary.

ASSESSMENT TASKS AND GRADING

Grade Scale:

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| Attendance                         | 280 pts.
| 7 quizzes @ 20 pts. each           | 140 pts.
| 3 Reflection papers @ 30 pts       | 90 pts.|
| 1 Response Papers @30 pts.         | 30 pts.|
| Mid-term                           | 140 pts.
| Oral Report                        | 80 pts. |
| Writing assignment 3 pages         | 100 pts.|
| Group Performances                 | 280 pts.|
| Song Composition                   | 100 pts.|
| Final exam – Recital               | 250 pts.|
| Total for final grade              | 1,480 pts.|

94-100%=A; 90-93%=A-; 87-89%=B+; 84-86%=B; 80-83=B-; 77-79%=C+; 74-76%=C; 70-73%=C-; 67-69%=D+; 64-66=D; 60-63%=D-

LEARNING RESOURCES
Each student is required to provide an instrument and voice for this course. A chromatic tuner is required as well as the book He Mele Aloha

DISABILITIES ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT
If you have a physical, sensory, health, cognitive, or mental health disability that could limit your ability to fully participate in this class, you are encouraged to contact the Disability Specialist Counselor to discuss reasonable accommodations that will help you succeed in this class. Ann
Lemke can be reached at 235-7448, lemke@hawaii.edu, or you may stop by Hale ‘Akoakoa 213 for more information.

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**ACADEMIC DISHONESTY**

In this class, students who commit academic dishonesty, cheating or plagiarism will have the following consequence(s):

Students will receive a failing grade for plagiarized assignments.

All cases of academic dishonesty are referred to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs.

**ALTERNATE CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you are unable to contact the instructor, have questions that your instructor cannot answer, or for any other issues, please contact the Academic Affairs Office:

Location: Alakai 121  
Phone: 808-235-7422  
Email: wccaa@hawaii.edu