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Vocal Studio 2018-19

Studio Policies, Information, and Course Outline

• Voice Handbook on the DWFOM website: HANDBOOK
  http://www.music.uwo.ca/students/juryrequirements/voiceJuryRequirements.pdf
  and

• See also the Master Course Outline For Applied Music Instruction:
  http://www.music.uwo.ca/students/undergraduate/departments/music_performance/course_outlines.html

• Evaluation of Undergraduate Academic Performance
  Music 1920, 1925, 2920, 2921, 2925, 3920, 3921, 3922, 3924y, 3925, 3926, 4920, 4921,
  4922, 4923, 4924y, 4925, 4926, 4927, 4928, 4929 are exempt from the Senate policy stating that
  “At least three days prior to the deadline for withdrawal from a course without academic
  penalty, students will receive assessment of work accounting for at least 15% of their final
  grade” (https://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/exam/evaluation_undergrad.pdf).

• The UWO Music Library is among the best in the world and affords you a wealth of
  information reading regarding vocal technique and pedagogy. Please make use of this exceptional
  resource.

• You must arrange for your own studio pianist and you will want to prepare your music both
  musically and for diction as extensively as is financially feasible. You must make sure that your
  pianist is available for your lessons and master class, as appropriate.
  Please note that you are responsible for all financial arrangements and commitments with your
  pianist throughout the year.

• My home telephone number in London is: 519-453-0427. Please do not call this number after
  9:30 p.m. I will usually need at least 24 hours notice to re-schedule a lesson. If you wake up in
  the morning feeling ill please call the studio and leave a message as soon as possible prior to 9:00
  a.m. and email or text me as well. Later in the day please email anytime or call on hour or the half
  hour so as not to disturb lessons in progress. The studio number is 519-661-2111 ex 85388
  My email address is tbaerg@uwo.ca my alternate email address is baergted@gmail.com
  In an emergency my cell number is 519-859-0427 and you can text me anytime.
  Please do not use Facebook Messenger for University business.

• Please note that, while I do try to give you as much time as possible, the university studio hour
  is 50 minutes.

• There will a class recital/performance at a time to be announced. Everyone in the studio is
  required to participate.

• Our studio performance classes with take place in Music Building 254 from 6 – 8 p.m.

  First Term
• Please note that I will expect to see a word for word translation of every piece that we work in Studio (before we begin the work).

• You are encourage to study the International Phonetic Alphabet (IPA) in order to facilitate growth in language pronunciation development.

• If you are an undergrad you will receive a “Recital Card” which requires you to attend 12 vocal events/recitals per year and have the card signed by a faculty member at the recital. I also require you to write at least four 200 word reviews of your choice of these events. These could be master classes by visiting teachers, student recitals, class recitals, or any other vocal performances. If you go to a performance outside the Faculty and show me a program I sign the card.

• I expect all recital material to be memorized at least 6 weeks before the event and all jury material at least 5 weeks before the jury.

• You are expected to be off book for all performance/master classes and repertoire sessions. This is the only way meaningful coaching can take place. The only exception is the first two lessons of the school year.

• GRADING: Please read the Voice Jury/Recital Requirements document and the Department of Performance Studies Handbook

• Your grading will be calculated in the following manner

  Undergraduate: 50% studio work
                  10% performance/masterclass
                  40% Jury

  Graduate: 80% studio work
             20% performance/masterclass

• Minimum expectations regarding Undergraduate Repertoire

  First Year - 16 songs fully prepared and memorized
  Second 20 songs full prepared and memorized
  Third  Short Recital plus 10 songs/arias
  Fourth Full Recital plus at least10 songs/arias
• Artist Diploma Full Recital plus at least 12 songs/arias

• Repertoire for Graduate students should reflect their expectations at success in singing.

• If you have questions of concerns regarding this document please speak to me at any time.

Professor Theodore Baerg August 25, 2018