

Western University, Canada
Don Wright Faculty of Music
9594b: Performance Research II

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Course Objectives:

- Students will continue to become familiar with the scholarship associated with performance research.
 - They will become acquainted with the scholarly discourse on the history and practice of performance through weekly reading and discussing of relevant journal articles.
 - They will develop strong, clear writing.
 - They will gain confidence in their own contributions as professional musicians.

Required Texts:

There are no required texts for this course. However, students are strongly advised to own a style guide (for example: Turabian, Kate L. *A Manual for Writers of Term Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*. 7th ed. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 2007.) All readings will be provided in class, on OWL, and in a binder in the music library on 2-hour reserve.

Evaluation:

- Attendance and Participation: 10%
- Attendance / Contribution at Article Discussion Group Preparation Meeting AS LEADER: 10%
- Attendance / Contribution at 3 Article Discussion Group Preparation Meetings AS RESPONDENT: 10% (divided over 3 meetings)
- Leadership of one 20-minute article discussion: 20%
- Written response (500 words) to the article on which the student led the class discussion: 20%
- Three short responses (300 words) to articles on which the student was a 'respondent': 10% x 3 = 30%

Scholastic offences, including plagiarism, are taken seriously and students are directed to read the appropriate policy, specifically, the definition of what constitutes a Scholastic offence, as found at http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/appeals/scholastic_discipline_grad.pdf

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