

Cal Poly SLO - Department of Music
Course Information - Music 361 (Brass Techniques) - Spring 2004

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Materials: Best in Class (conductor's score), by Bruce Pearson (San Diego: Kjos, 1982)
 Best in Class (trumpet book), by Bruce Pearson (San Diego: Kjos, 1982)
 Guide to Teaching Brass, 6th edition, by Dan Bachelder and Norman Hunt (Madison:
 Brown & Benchmark, 2002)

You will also need a tablet of music paper, available in the bookstore.

Please bring your materials to every class meeting.

Course Description: Music 361 is an exploration of the instruments of the brass family. Goals for the course include achieving a basic proficiency in brass performance, gaining an understanding of the design for each instrument, and developing familiarity with teaching methodologies. Daily Practicing is absolutely essential for success in this course; plan your days accordingly!

Course Requirements:

Playing Proficiencies (50%) You will be given many opportunities to demonstrate your proficiency on each instrument. You must complete all requirements in a grade category in order to earn that grade. Proficiency sheets are due before we move on to the next instrument.

Written Quizzes (50%). Quizzes will cover reading assignments and lecture material.

Attendance, Participation, Promptness. An "activity" class needs your body in the room, ready to go, in order to be active! Significant problems here will hurt your course grade.

Course Outline

				Reading (Bachelder/Hunt)
Week 1	March 30	Tues.	Trumpet	2-10, 14-25
	April 1	Thurs.	Trumpet	38-44; 50-53
Week 2	April 6	Tues.	Trumpet	26-33
	April 8	Thurs.	Trumpet	
Week 3	April 13	Tues.	Trumpet	
	April 15	Thurs.	Trumpet; Trumpet Quiz	
Week 4	April 20	Tues.	Horn	68-74; 79-83
	April 22	Thurs.	Horn	
Week 5	April 27	Tues.	Horn	
	April 29	Thurs.	Horn; Horn Quiz	
Week 6	May 4	Tues.	Trombone / Baritone	90-93; 96; 101-103; 121-126
	May 6	Thurs.	Trombone / Baritone	
Week 7	May 6	Tues.	Trombone / Baritone	
	May 8	Thurs.	Trombone / Baritone	
Week 8	May 18	Tues.	Trombone / Baritone	
	May 20	Thurs.	Trombone / Baritone; Trombone/Baritone Quiz	
Week 9	May 25	Tues.	Tuba	140-148
	May 27	Thurs.	Tuba	
Week 10	June 1	Tues.	Tuba	
	June 3	Thurs.	Tuba; Tuba Quiz	