**Syllabus**

MUSIC 116, 401 – Fall 2019

***Concert Band***

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 12:30 – 1:20pm

201 McCain Auditorium

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**Prerequisite:** Audition Only

**Course Outline:** The Kansas State University Concert Band is an auditioned large ensemble that explores outstanding and varied wind literature. Students are exposed to traditional “core” literature, orchestral transcriptions, and some of the finest new music for concert band.

**Grading:** Attendance at all rehearsals is mandatory. Any unexcused absences will result in a full grade cut (i.e. one unexcused absence = B, two unexcused absences = F and dismissal from the ensemble). **Being late twice will constitute an unexcused absence**. All rehearsals, sectionals, performances, recording sessions, and extra rehearsals are required of all band members. All absences, tardies, etc. must be cleared in advance by filling out a pink form and personally speaking with the director of the ensemble. An excused absence may require individual playing of parts for the conductor. Since the ensemble requires daily participation, even excused absences will have a negative impact on your grade. Students are responsible for attending sectionals called by section leaders. Preparation and performance of assigned musical parts is the primary basis for grading.

**Concert Attendance:** Attending events and supporting each other is an important part of musical growth and understanding. As a member of this ensemble, you will be expected to attend the entire event you perform in to support any ensemble we share the stage with that day. You are also expected to attend the concerts of the other bands, Brass Ensemble, and Woodwind Ensemble.

**Required:** 1. Metronome

2. Tuner, Pitch Tendency Sheet

3. Two separate sectional rehearsals of one hour each outside of regular rehearsal

4. All measures numbered

5. Participation in Chamber Woodwind/Brass Ensemble by all music majors as assigned

**Grading criteria is as follows:**

1. Rehearsal preparation
2. Effort
3. Attitude
4. Promptness
5. Remaining to watch paired portion of our concerts

**Concert Dress:** “Black-on-Black” as discussed.

**PERFORMANCES/Required Events**

October 23rd, 2019 Call 7:20pm McCain Aud. WE Concert Attendance

October 24th, 2019 Call TBA McCain Aud. CB/WS Concert Performance

December 4th, 2019 Call 7:20pm McCain Aud. WE Concert Attendance

December 5th, 2019 Call TBA McCain Aud. CB/WS Concert Performance

**Conceal Carry Policy:** In this class, students will be asked on a regular basis to participate in activities, such as engaging in group work, using the board, or performing in small and large ensembles. These activities may require students to either be separated from their bags or be prepared to keep their bags with them at all times during such activities. Therefore, no concealed weapons will be allowed in athletic or concert ensemble rehearsals and/or performances. Students are encouraged to take the online weapons policy education module (<http://www.k-state.edu/police/weapons/index.html> ) to ensure they understand the requirements related to concealed carry. This includes all travel, athletic events, concert performances, sectionals, and all rehearsals indoor and outdoor.