

CLARINET CHOIR

MUN 1460, 3463, 6010

-Spring 2026-

Class Meeting location, times, and sections:
Wednesdays—6th Period (12:50PM-1:40PM) (MUB 101)

Instructor

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Course Description

The study, practice, and performance of repertoire for clarinet choir.

Course Objectives

Students are expected to:

1. Perform and interpret clarinet choir music of representative styles, including that of Western civilization and other world cultures.
2. Present a performance of clarinet choir repertoire in a variety of styles and settings.
3. Demonstrate the ability to apply analytical and historical knowledge to live performance.

Required Texts, Materials, Resources, Equipment

- No text is required for this course
- A clarinet in proper working order
- Multiple reeds of appropriate strength
- All music assigned by the instructor

Materials and Supply Fee

- MVW 1460 \$155.00
- MVW 3463 \$115.00
- MVW 6010 \$5.00

Course Schedule for Clarinet Choir

Weeks	
1 January 14	Rehearsal
2 January 21	Rehearsal
3 January 28	Rehearsal
4 February 4	Rehearsal
5 February 11	Rehearsal
6 February 18	Rehearsal
7 February 25	Rehearsal
8 March 4	Rehearsal Cadenza (Clarinet Choir Performance): Saturday, March 7 6:00pm MUB 101

9 March 11	Rehearsal
10 March 18	Spring Break
11 March 25	Rehearsal
12 April 1	Rehearsal
12 April 8	Dress Rehearsal
14 April 15	Clarinet Choir Spring Concert: Monday, April 13 7:20pm MUB 101 (Call time: 6:45pm) No Rehearsal Wednesday, April 15
14 April 22	Rehearsal

Course Components for Evaluation

Weekly Participation and Preparation

It is the expectation that students attend all rehearsals except for those excused in advance (see absence policy below). It is the expectation that students will arrive on time with all assigned parts practiced and prepared. Any unexcused absence from rehearsals will result in a drop of 5% from the “Weekly Participation and Preparation” portion of the course.

Clarinet Choir Spring Concert Performance

There will be one full performance that is the culmination of the course rehearsals/meetings. It is the expectation that all students will show up in the predetermined performance attire and participate in the concert as part of the clarinet choir/ensembles.

Clarinet Choir Cadenza School of Music Fundraiser Concert Performance

In addition to the Clarinet Choir Concert, the Clarinet Choir will be performing on the University of Florida School of Music fundraising event **Cadenza**. This is a required event for all who are registered for Clarinet Choir, therefore, it is the expectation that all students will show up in the predetermined performance attire and participate in the event as part of the clarinet choir/ensembles.

Clarinet Choir Evaluation	
Weekly Participation and Preparation	60%
Clarinet Choir Cadenza Performance	15%
Clarinet Choir Spring Concert Performance	25%
TOTAL	100%

	Percent Grade	Points
A	93.4-100	4.00
A-	90.0-93.3	3.67
B+	86.7-89.9	3.33
B	83.4-86.6	3.00
B-	80.0-83.3	2.67
C+	76.7-79.9	2.33
C	73.4-76.6	2.00
C-	70.0-73.3	1.67
D+	66.7-69.9	1.33
D	63.4-66.6	1.00
D-	60.0-63.3	0.67
E	0-59.9	0.00

*More information on grades and grading policies can be found here:

<https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/grades.aspx>

University-wide Policies and Resources Link

Information about university-wide policies and resources can be found here: <https://syllabus.ufl.edu/syllabus-policy/uf-syllabus-policy-links/>

Clarinet Choir Course Policies

- Cell phones, laptop computers, and other electronic devices are **not to be used during rehearsal/performance** as they disrupt students' attention and are a distraction to all (if the student wishes to use a tablet for music reading purposes they may ask permission from the instructor, however any incident where the device is found to be used for any other purpose other than music reading will result in a loss of this privilege). Any non-approved use of these devices **will result** in a dismissal from the class/performance and an assigned unexcused absence for the day. If a student needs to use an electronic device due to a documented disability, he/she/they need to notify the instructor immediately so an accommodation can be made.
- Students are expected to arrive on time and prepared for clarinet choir rehearsal.
- **Attendance Policy:**
Requirements for class attendance and make-up work are consistent with university policies that can be found at: <https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/regulations/info/attendance.aspx>
 - The instructor requires **at least 24 hours'** notice through email if the student needs to miss clarinet choir rehearsal. Excused absences will be determined at the discretion of the instructor and in accordance with the university attendance policy.
 - Each student will be extended one absence without penalty with prior email notification to the instructor (not to be used for the dress rehearsal).
 - Any unexcused absences will result in a drop of 5% from the "Weekly Participation and Preparation" portion of the course.
 - Attendance at the dress rehearsal and performance are mandatory. Only absences that are officially documented will be considered for excuse by the instructor.
- **Communication Policies:**
 - The instructor will utilize email as the main form of communication outside of class. **It is expected that students check their email multiple times a week** to not miss important announcements, postings, etc. Students are expected to respond to their instructor's inquiries, either verbally or through email, in a timely manner. Any emails sent to the instructor from a non-UF account **will not** receive a response.
 - Clarinet Choir/ensemble members are required to treat each other with respect and civility. If there are any issues regarding inappropriate behavior towards others and/or towards the instructor, the instructor will first discuss the matter in an office hour appointment with the student; if multiple inappropriate behaviors continue to occur, the instructor will report these incidents to the Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution Office.
 - The instructor reserves the right to dismiss any student who is disruptive, disrespectful, or uncivil.

Reeds Clause

The student must have a playable reed for clarinet choir. If a student has issues getting playable reeds, it is imperative they bring it up to the instructor to work out a solution. Additionally, it is expected that the student rotate their good reeds!

Materials Clause

It is the student's responsibility to come prepared to the rehearsals/performance. If the student foresees any barriers or encounters any issues that would hinder them from meeting this requirement, they are strongly encouraged to contact the instructor for help.

Concert Dress Code Clause

For the Clarinet Choir Fall Concert, it is expected that students wear the predetermined appropriate concert attire. If students have trouble securing professional items to wear, they can check out The Gator Career Closet (professional clothing lending service for UF students) <https://career.ufl.edu/services-resources/molm-family-gator-career-closet/> Students can also discuss other options and alternatives for assistance in professional dress with their instructor.

Agreement

By remaining in this class beyond the add/drop deadline, *you acknowledge and accept* the terms of this syllabus.

Course evaluation, components, and class policies are subject to change at the instructor's discretion. Students will be given due notice through email of any changes.