## SUBJECT: Big Band II

## SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION

| Code | CS4N02 |
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| Type | CS (Compulsory within the speciality) |
| Character | Group Tuition |$|$| Speciality/itinerary/instrument | Performance / Itinerary of Jazz and Contemporary Music / All <br> instruments and voice |
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| Main subject | Music for ensembles |
| Period of time | $4^{\text {th }}$ Course |
| Number of credits | 4 ECTS |
| Number of hours | Total number: 120 hours |
| Department | In-person: 36 hours |
| Previous requirements | Big Band I |
| Instruction language | Spanish |

## RESPONSIBLE INSTRUCTOR(S)

| Surname and first name | Email address |
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## COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon completion of this course, the students will be able to:

- perform correctly the proposed repertoire;
- master the nuances and dynamics changes as proposed in the music pieces;
- perform the music pieces in line with their role within each section;
- master the pulse control and the rhythmic subdivision in line with the style of each music piece;
- improve the intonation and the bindings within the sections;
- master the articulations and effects included in the repertoire covered in class;
- perfectionate their sight-reading skills;
- be accountable for the personal work needed to optimize the group work;
- assimilate the different stylistic performance of the music pieces depending of their authors by listening to the proposed recordings;
- improvise with ease in case they are assigned a solo part;
- favour the relationship with their band mates;
- reinforce the artistic quality of their solos and highlight the performances of their band partners;
- enjoy themselves on the stage empathizing with the audience;
- transmit emotions in their group performances and in their solo parts.


## COURSE CONTENT

| Thematic block | Themes / Repertoire |
| :---: | :---: |
| I. Technique | Theme 1. Articulation |
|  | Theme 2. Nuances and dynamics |
|  | Theme 3. Intonation and binding |
|  | Theme 4. Performance of effects in winds |
| II. Performance | Theme 5. Listening of the proposed music pieces to assimilate the style |
|  | Theme 6. Phrasing, breathing and stylistic performance |
|  | Theme 7. Specific work of singers and soloists |
| III. Sections | Theme 8. The specific role of the musician in each section |
|  | Theme 9. Develop an independent study work per section |
|  | Theme 10. Specific work over the domain of groove for the rhythmic section |
|  | Theme 11. Specific work for singers and the domain of the stage space. |
| IV. Rhythm | Theme 12. Control of time following the conductor's instructions |
|  | Theme 13. Master the rhythmic subdivision in line with the style |
|  | Theme 14. Performance and improvisation over odd meters and counter meters |
| V. Styles | Theme 15. Correct performance of the different styles of the music pieces. Audition of the referential music pieces for live performance |
| VI. Improvisation | Theme 16. Reinforcement of improvisation material for soloists |
| VII. Sight-reading | Theme 17. Sight-reading of specific music pieces |

## STUDENT'S STUDY HOURS PLANNING

| Activity type | Total hours |
| :--- | :---: |
| Theoretic activities | 6 hours |
| Practice activities | 43 hours |
| Other mandatory training activities (seminars, workshops etc.) | 2 hours |
| Test taking | 3 hours |


| Student self-study hours | 100 hours |
| :--- | :---: |
| Practice preparation | 26 hours |
| Total student working hours | $54+126=180$ hours |

## METHODOLOGY

| Theoretical activities | Theoretical/conceptual explanations and analysis of different <br> examples coming from all the most relevant music styles. |
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| Practical activities | Practical application of what has been studied in class through <br> transcriptions, collective group intonation, performance with <br> instrument, sight-reading, rhythms and melodies composition and <br> improvisation |
| Other training mandatory <br> activities (workshops, <br> seminars, etc.) | Thematic sessions with visiting professors |

## CALIFICATION CRITERIA AND TOOLS

| Theoretical activities | Participation: The students must actively participate in class, <br> proving interest and/or understanding of the content covered. <br> Continuous evaluation: The students must fulfil the requested <br> assignments during the whole academic course, proving research <br> ability and practice synthesis skills concerning theoretical concepts <br> in performance. |
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| Participation: The students must actively participate in class, <br> proving interest and/or understanding of the content covered. <br> Continuous evaluation: The students must fulfil the requested <br> practical assignments during the whole academic course based on <br> to team-work dynamics and prove writing and oral skills, beside <br> performing skills. <br> Practical activities | $\frac{\text { Performance exams: The students must take at least two exams }}{\text { during the academic course to show the practical skills acquired }}$ <br> and the practical assimilation of the course contents, following the <br> tests instructions. |
| Other educational mandatory |  |
| activities (workshops, |  |
| seminars, etc.) | Participation: The students must actively participate in the different <br> relevant events as considered by the instructor or by Degree the <br> coordinators. |

## EVALUATION CRITERIA

To develop in a reasoned way, a conceptual/ theoretical framework and analyse consequently examples of the most relevant music styles and the personal performing techniques

To apply the theory studied in class through transcriptions, group intonation, performance with instrument, sight-reading and composition of rhythms and melodies.

Other training mandatory activities (workshops, seminars, etc.)

To attend and participate in the relevant events for their education (Meet the artists sessions, invited professors sessions, concerts and rehearsals)

## GRADE DETERMINATION SYSTEM

## Grade determination system in continuous assessment

|  | Grade <br> percentage |
| :--- | :---: |
| Participation | $10 \%$ |
| Continuous assessment | $20 \%$ |
| Mid-term exam | $20 \%$ |
| Final exam | $50 \%$ |
| Total | $100 \%$ |

## Grade determination system in cases of loss of continuous assessment right

|  | Grade <br> percentage |
| :--- | :---: |
| Final exam | $80 \%$ |
| Total | $80 \%$ |

Grade determination system for the extraordinary assessment call

|  | Grade <br> percentage |
| :--- | :---: |
| Retake exam | $100 \%$ |
| Total | $100 \%$ |

## Grade determination system for students with disabilities

In principle, the grade determination system for students with disabilities will be carried out following the criteria set for the rest of the students, ensuring equal opportunities and conditions for all the students. However, if necessary, the instructor in charge will consider the type of disability of the concerned student. Should the situation apply, the assessment conditions will be adapted in accordance to the limitations of the corresponding disability.

These considerations will be established once the concerned student enrols in the corresponding courses. For the official records, the student and/or the student representative will be requested to present the corresponding disability report for the official accreditation.

|  | Grade <br> percentage |
| :--- | :---: |
| Participation | $10 \%$ |
| Continuous evaluation | $20 \%$ |



| Mid-term exam | $20 \%$ |
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| Final exam | $50 \%$ |
| Total | $100 \%$ |

## RESOURCES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY

## Campus virtual https://musicacreativa.classlife.education/

## Bibliography

| Tittle | The Big Bands |
| :--- | :--- |
| Author | George T. Simon |
| Publisher | The MacMillan Company |


| Tittle | Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band Play Along Series, Volume 1 y 2 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Author | Gordon Goodwin |
| Publisher | Alfred |


| Tittle | Sittin'In whith the big Band, Volume 1 y 2 |
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| Author | Arr. Various |
| Publisher | Alfred |


| Tittle | Big Band Play-along |
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| Author | VV. AA. |
| Publisher | Hal Leonard |


| Tittle | Experiencing Big Band Jazz:Aa Listener's Companion |
| :--- | :--- |
| Author | Jeff Sultanof |
| Publisher | Rowman \& Littlefield Publishers |

## Complementary bibliography

| Tittle | The Jazz Ensemble Companion |
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| Author | Michele Caniato |
| Publisher | R\&L education |

## Webpages of interest

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Address 1 www.mindformusic.com
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## Other materials and didactic resources

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www.es.scribd.com
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CENTRO SUPERIOR músicacreativa
www.irealpro.com
www.youtube.com

