

## SUBJECT: Electric bass I

#### SUBJECT IDENTIFICATION

Code	CS1N18	
Туре	CS (Compulsory within the speciality)	
Character	One to One teaching (instrument)	
Speciality/itinerary/instrument	Performance / Jazz and Contemporary Music/ Electric bass	
Main subject	Instrument	
Period of time	1 <sup>st</sup> Course	
Number of credits	20 ECTS	
Number of hours	Total: 540 hours In-person: 36 hours	
Department	Instrument	
Previous requirements	-	
Instruction Language	Spanish	

#### RESPONSIBLE INSTRUCTOR(S)

Surname and name	Email address
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#### **COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES**

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

- read, perform and play with ease the exercises corresponding to this level;
- tune correctly the exercises worked in class and developed by the student;
- recognise by ear the chords, inversions and scales studied during the course;
- musically interact in group context according to the demanded level of the course;
- perform with a correct rhythmic sense in each of the contexts proposed and studied during the academic year;
- build accompanying lines in different styles both rhythmically and harmonically;
- know and identify the general styles and sub-styles studied during the course;
- build and play solo lines in the analogous themes and in the ones proposed during the course;
- accept the leadership of a music group in a smooth way.



## **COURSE CONTENT**

Thematic block	Theme/ Repertoire
	Theme 1. Major and natural minor scales
	Theme 2. Melodic and harmonic minor scales
I Scales	Theme 3. Intervallic exercises in all the studied major and minor scales: $3^{rd}$ , $4^{th}$ , $5^{th}$ , $6^{th}$ , $7^{th}$ , $8^{th}$
	Theme 4. Blues and pentatonic scale
	Theme 1. Triads (all the inversions): major, minor, augmented, diminished, sus4
II. – Arpeggios and chords	Theme 2. Tetrads: Maj7; m7; m7b5; dim7; 7; 7sus4; m6
	Theme 3. Arpeggios sequences by circles of fifths, descending.
III. – Harmonic	Theme 1. In major: IV, V, I - II, V, I – I, VI, II, V and minor: I-, bVI, II $^{\circ}$ , V, I with voices conduction (in all the keys).
Progressions	Theme 2. Twelve-bars Blues
V. – Repertoire performance	Study of pieces and transcriptions chosen by the instructor according to the level and needs of the student. The resulting work will be archived in a portfolio at the end of the course.
VI. – Improvisation	Application of the studied scales and arpeggios into the improvisation in different styles.
VII. – Reading	Sight-reading exercises and improvement strategies. Practice with metronome.
	Practical transcription exercises in class and as homework.
VIII. – Ear training applied to the instrument	Practical exercises to work on instant reproduction of music fragments by ear.
	Ear training: scales, arpeggios, and inversions.
	Ear training practice and integrating in group music speech.
VIII - Technique	Pizzicatto, Pull off, Hammer, dead notes, palm mute

## STUDENT'S STUDY HOURS PLANNING

Activity type	Total hours
Theoretic activities	5 hours
Practice activities	25 hours
Other training mandatory activities (seminars, workshops etc.)	2 hours
Test taking	4 hours
Student self-study hours	484 hours
Practice preparation	20 hours
Total of student working hours	36+484=540hours



## **METHODOLOGY**

Theoretical activities	Theoretical/conceptual explanations and analysis of different examples coming from all the most relevant music styles.
Practical activities	Practical application of what has been studied in class through transcriptions, collective group intonation, performance with instrument, sight-reading, rhythms and melodies composition.
Other training mandatory activities (workshops, seminars, etc.)	Meet the Artists (MTA) sessions, concerts, rehearsals etc.

### **ASSESSMENT TOOLS**

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

## **ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Theoretical activities	To reasonably apply a conceptual/theoretical framework to the performance and analyse consequently examples from the most relevant music styles and the corresponding performing techniques.
Practical activities	To prove technical and performing skills through performing tests and through technical, sight-reading and improvisation exercises that will enable the identification of problematics and the improvement and development of new tools.



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 percentage
Continuous assessment	20%
Mid-term exam	30%
Final exam	50%
Total	100%

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

	Grade percentage
Final exam	80%
Total	80%

#### Grade determination system for the extraordinary assessment call

	Grade 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 take into account 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 percentage
Continuous evaluation	20%
Mid-term exam	30%
Final exam	50%
Total	100%



### **RESOURCES AND BIBLIOGRAPHY**

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# Campus online <a href="https://musicacreativa.classlife.education/">https://musicacreativa.classlife.education/</a>

## Bibliography

Dibliography	
Tittle	Ready, aim, improvise
Author	Hal Crook
Publisher	Berklee Press
Tittle	How to improvise
Author	Hal Crook
Publisher	Berklee Press
Tittle	Reading contemporary electric bass
Author	Rick Appleman
Publisher	Berklee Press
Tittle	El bajista completo
Author	Rafael de la Vega
Publisher	Music Distribution SA
Tittle	Jazz Bass Compendium
Author	Sigi Bush
Publisher	Advance Music
Tittle	Standing in the shadows of Motown
Author	James Jammerson Jr.
Publisher	Music Distribution SA
Tittle	Dominant Seventh Workout
Author	Jamey Aebersold
Publisher	Jamey Aebersold Jazz, Inc.
Tittle	The Bass Bible
Author	Paul Weswood
Publisher	Ama Verlag
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Tittle	The improviser's Bass Method
Author	Chuck Sher
Publisher	Sher Music, co.
Tittle	The Music of Paul Chambers



Publisher	Paperback
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Tittle	Charlie Parker Omnibook
Author	Jamey Aebersold
Publisher	Atlantic Music Corp.
Tittle	60 Melodic studies for acoustic and electric bass
Author	John Patitucci
Publisher	Carl Fisher

Tittle	Modern Electric Bass
Author	Jaco Pastorious
Publisher	Volonté & co.
Tittle	Jazz Styles
Author	Mark C. Gridley
Publisher	Atlantic Music Corp. C

## Complementary bibliography

Tittle	Reharmonization Techniques
Author	Randy Felts
Publisher	Berklee Press
Tittle	The Jazz Theory Book
Author	Mark Levine
Publisher	Sher Music co.

## Webpages of interest

Address 1	https://elbajistanumero1.wordpress.com/2013/07/24/los-grandes-maestros-del-bajo-electrico/
Address 2	https://doctorbass.net/es/c/?idsec=1000168991
Address 3	https://www.popthing.com/phpBB3/viewtopic.php?f=2&t=1813

### Other materials and didactic resources

Book + CD	Jaymie Aebersold: "Play along series";
Book + CD	Jim Snidero: "Jazz Conception" & "Easy Jazz Conception"
Арр	i Real book; Ear Master; Transcribe
DVD	El Jazz (La Historia);Ken Burns; Divisa (DVD)
DVD	In the Shadows of Motown https://www.filmaffinity.com/es/film541950.html