Division of Humanities Tentative Course Syllabus

Course Code: HUMA 1102

Course Title: Enjoyment of Classical Music

Course Offered in: Spring 2024

Course Instructor: Dr. Isaac Droscha

Course Description: From the power and beauty of the orchestra to masterpieces of the church and concert hall, students will gain an in-depth appreciation for the history and fundamentals of Western classical music. The listening and analytical skills demonstrated will bring about a deeper understanding of music as an art form. Previous musical training, albeit helpful, is not required.

Course Intended Learning Outcomes (ILOs):

Upon completion of this course, students are expected to be able to:

| 1 | Through a historical survey, develop a deeper appreciation of classical music |
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| 2 | Through an analysis of artistic trends, describe the cultural and historical development of classical music |
| 3 | Through analysis of specific works, understand music theory fundamentals |
| 4 | Through the IC report requirement, critique live music performances |
| 5 | Apply analytical skills from this course to other disciplines |

Course Outline:

| 1 | Course overview |
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| 2 | Medieval music, and fundamentals of music (such as notation and rhythm) |
| 3 | Renaissance music, and concepts such as counterpoint and harmony |
| 4 | Baroque music, and concepts such as key signatures and scales |
| 5 | Classical music, and concepts such as functional harmony |
| 6 | Romantic music, and concepts such as chromatic harmony and key modulation |
| 7 | Twentieth century art music, and the radical development of theoretical concepts |

Planned Assessment Tasks:

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| Final Exam: | 30% |
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| Mid-Term Exam: | 30% |
| Concert Report: | 10% |
| Quizzes: | 20% |
| Attendance: | 10% |

Readings:

• Hoffer, Charles, *Music Listening Today*, Schirmer, 4th Edition, 2010, with 6 CDs