CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA

[CLASS] [MUSIC]

Expanded Course Outline

Course Subject Area:	MU
Course Number:	4601
Course Title:	Senior Project Research &
	Preparation
Units:	1
C/S Classification #:	05
Component:	Seminar
Grading Basis: (graded only, CR/NC only, student's	Graded only
choice)	
Repeat Basis: (may be taken once, taken multiple times,	May be taken once.
taken multiple times only with different topics)	
Cross Listed Course: (if offered with another department)	
Dual Listed Course: (if offered as lower/upper division or	
undergraduate/graduate)	
Major course/Service course/GE Course: (pick all that	Major course
apply)	
General Education Area/Subarea: (as appropriate)	
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I. Catalog Description

Research, writing, and preparation of a senior project. Creating a long-term research plan with well-defined milestones and deadlines, culminating with a short presentation. Category to be determined by, and work to be accomplished under the supervision of the instructor.

II. Required Coursework and Background

Senior standing.

III. Expected Outcomes

- 1. Students will research a specific subject or topic, complete all the tasks and/or events required for this topic, organize the results into a meaningful report, and presenting that report/project to an audience of faculty and peers.
- 2. Students will learn effective presentation skills (with slides and orally).
- 3. Students will learn how to set personal deadlines and meet them.

The outcomes of this course relate to the following Music Department Student Learning Outcomes:

- #2: Communicate effectively--verbally and in writing--about specific musical works and musicians, about the creative process in music, and about music's role in human culture.
- #4: Demonstrate and articulate personal growth as a musician and student of music in the world.
- #5: Articulate a holistic understanding of the many influences on any musical endeavor (e.g., cultural, artistic, technological, economic, etc.).

BA in Music:

- #1. **Discuss and appraise** the role of music in a balanced life, using appropriate vocabulary and examples.
- #2. **Perform** a variety of music with expression and musical accuracy.
- #3. Communicate effectively--verbally and in writing--about specific musical works and musicians, about the creative process in music, and about music's role in human culture.
- #4. **Demonstrate** creativity, musicianship skills, an understanding of appropriate technology, and conceptual understandings.
- #5. **Demonstrate and articulate** artistic growth as a musician and student of music in the world.

BA in the MIS Option:

- #1. **Interpret** relationships between music and: commerce; technology; media; and audience.
- #2. **Articulate** fundamental understanding of entrepreneurship and standard music industry practices.

BM in Music:

- #2. **utilize** current/recent technologies appropriate to the musical endeavor.
- #4. **articulate** the distinguishing characteristics of multiple musical styles, traditions, and historical periods, **and apply** that knowledge to performance.
- #8. **promote** musical culture in the community.
- #9. think, speak and write clearly at the college level.

BM in Music Education/Pre-Credential:

#8. demonstrate a deep understanding of performance through presentation of a recital or a lecture-recital.

BM in Composition:

- #1. **apply** knowledge of compositional techniques and musical elements to write original works in new and established styles.
- #2. **oversee** fully realized public performances of their original compositions, with critical assessments.
- #3. **produce** a capstone project that presents an extended work or several shorter works, showing their 'voice' as a composer.

IV. Instructional Materials

No specific text required. Instructor may assign materials in the library or on the Internet for research

V. Minimum Student Material

- 1. Music, notebook, and texts as required by the project.
- 2. Software and computer access for professional level presentations.

VI. Minimum College Facilities

Classroom with projector, screen, computer, speakers, and Powerpoint installed.

VII. Course Outline

- 1. Determine specific area of research or project.
- 2. Create a long-term research plan, with well-defined weekly milestones and deadlines.
- 3. Gather project data, and complete each weekly milestone.
- 4. Present current status on project to peers and faculty.
- 5. Incorporate instructor's suggested improvements into project.
- 6. Create an outline of the presentation.
- 7. View several different senior project presentations.
- 8. Arrange and prepare for the Pre-presentation Qualifying Review. This will be the final project of the class. A Powerpoint file of at least 20 slides will be required.
- 9. Present project to a faculty audience and answer questions.

VIII. Instructional Methods

- 1. Instructor will lecture on various aspects of research and presentation skills.
- 2. Instructor will work with each student in class and provides guidance, professional experience, encouragement, criticism and support for the student and his/her work.

IX. Evaluation of Outcomes

- 1. Timeliness and professionalism in the execution of all elements of the project.
- 2. Successful completion of all assignments.
- 3. The quality of the performance and/or final project presentation.