

Common Course Outline

MUSC 160

Chorus

1 Semester Hour

The Community College of Baltimore County

Description

Community Chorus

Provides an opportunity to join with others in studying and singing choral music, both classical and popular. Open to all in the college community.

Prerequisite: Ability to match pitch accurately

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able to:

1. Perform with accuracy all choral pieces selected by the director
2. Sing with healthy vocal production.
3. Display confidence in his/her choral singing.
4. Listen for section balance and ensemble blend.
5. Demonstrate the ability to follow a conductor
6. Sing with improved diction skills.
7. Display improvement in music reading skills.
8. Understand the musical terminology found in the studied literature.
9. Differentiate musical genres and performance styles, i.e. classical or popular.
10. Appreciate the importance of the individual in the context of a performing ensemble.

Major Topics

1. Study of selected works from various eras and genres of choral music.
2. Basic fundamentals of vocal/choral technique, including group vocalization.
3. Full and sectional rehearsals.
4. Maintaining vocal health.
5. Understanding of style and choral balance by listening to selected recordings.

Course Requirements

1. Regular weekly rehearsal attendance and participation.
2. Evidence of improvement through practice and preparation.
3. Attendance at and participation in concert performances.

Other Course Information

This course applies towards the four credits required in performing ensembles for music majors.