Note:

Course content may be changed, term to term, without notice. The information below is provided as a guide for course selection and is not binding in any form, and should not be used to purchase course materials.
COURSE SYLLABUS

MUSC 510
FOUNDATIONS OF MUSIC EDUCATION

COURSE DESCRIPTION

This course provides an overview to the foundational principles, philosophies, and practices in music education. Topics emphasized are: purposes of school music; students as music learners; content and structure of school music programs; and music teacher knowledge and skills. Identification of personal qualities and professional competencies of excellent music teachers will also be discussed.

RATIONALE

As music educators, it is important to understand the underlying principles and different philosophical approaches proposed over the past fifty years. Two main currents in music education are: Aesthetic Music Education and Praxial Music Education. Students will learn about the proponents and critics of these positions and determine how to mediate between these perspectives in order to address the educational needs of music students from pre-K through the graduate level.

I. PREREQUISITE

For information regarding prerequisites for this course, please refer to the Academic Course Catalog.

II. REQUIRED RESOURCE PURCHASE

Click on the following link to view the required resource(s) for the term in which you are registered: http://bookstore.mbsdirect.net/liberty.htm

III. ADDITIONAL MATERIALS FOR LEARNING

A. Computer with basic audio/video output equipment
B. Internet access (broadband recommended)
C. Microsoft Word

IV. MEASURABLE LEARNING OUTCOMES

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

A. Discuss the main philosophical perspectives in Music Education.
B. Evaluate significant influences behind music education perspectives.
C. Analyze key aspects of practical music education methodology.
D. Develop arguments to advocate for music education.
E. Synthesize philosophical and methodological principles that inform personal application in the music classroom.

V. COURSE REQUIREMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS

A. Textbook readings and lecture presentations
B. Course Requirements Checklist
   After reading the Course Syllabus and Student Expectations, the student will complete the related checklist found in Module/Week 1.
C. Discussion Board Forums (8)
   Discussion Boards are collaborative learning experiences. Therefore, the student is required to provide a thread in response to the provided prompt for each forum. Each thread must be 150–200 words and demonstrate course-related knowledge. In addition to the thread, the student is required to reply to 2 other classmates’ threads. Each reply must be 50–100 words.
D. Written Assignments (5)
   The student will write 5 papers in current APA format that focus on the topics outlined inside of the course. Each paper must be 2–3 pages and must include at least 1–2 references in addition to the course textbooks and the Bible.
E. Final Project Topic
   The student will submit his/her topic and thesis statement for the final project.
F. Final Project Outline & Bibliography
   The student will submit a completed outline and bibliography for the final project.
G. Final Project Paper
   The student will write a 10–15-page research paper in current APA format. The research must include 5–10 sources.
H. Final Project PowerPoint
   The student will complete a 5–10-slide PowerPoint presentation to accompany the Final Project Paper.

VI. COURSE GRADING AND POLICIES

A. Points
   Course Requirements Checklist 10
   Discussion Board Forums (7 at 20 pts ea, 1 at 40 pts) 180
   Written Assignments (5 at 90 pts ea) 450
   Final Project Topic & Thesis Statement 30
   Final Project Outline 80
   Final Project Paper 200
   Final Project PowerPoint 60
B. Scale

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A &= 940–1010 \\
A- &= 920–939 \\
B+ &= 900–919 \\
B &= 860–899 \\
B- &= 840–859 \\
C+ &= 820–839 \\
C &= 780–819 \\
C- &= 760–779 \\
D+ &= 740–759 \\
D &= 700–739 \\
D- &= 680–699 \\
F &= 0–679
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C. Late Assignment Policy

If the student is unable to complete an assignment on time, then he or she must contact the instructor immediately by email.

Assignments that are submitted after the due date without prior approval from the instructor will receive the following deductions:

1. Late assignments submitted within one week of the due date will receive a 10% deduction.
2. Assignments submitted more than one week late will receive a 20% deduction.
3. Assignments submitted two weeks late or after the final date of the course will not be accepted.
4. Late Discussion Board threads or replies will not be accepted.

Special circumstances (e.g. death in the family, personal health issues) will be reviewed by the instructor on a case-by-case basis.

D. Disability Assistance

Students with a documented disability may contact Liberty University Online’s Office of Disability Academic Support (ODAS) at LUODAS@liberty.edu to make arrangements for academic accommodations. Further information can be found at www.liberty.edu/disabilitysupport.
# Course Schedule

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<th>Module/Week</th>
<th>Reading &amp; Study</th>
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| 1           | Elliot (2005): ch. 1  
Elliot (2015): chs. 1–2  
Reimer: ch. 1  
2 presentations | Course Requirements Checklist  
Class Introductions  
DB Forum 1  
Written Assignment 1 | 10  
0  
40  
90 |
| 2           | Elliot (2005): chs. 2, 8  
3 presentations | DB Forum 2  
Written Assignment 2 | 20  
90 |
| 3           | Elliot (2005): chs. 3, 11  
Elliot (2015): ch. 3  
Reimer: ch. 2  
3 presentations | DB Forum 3  
Written Assignment 3 | 20  
90 |
| 4           | Elliot (2015): chs. 4–5  
Reimer: ch. 7  
2 presentations  
1 website | DB Forum 4  
Final Project Topic | 20  
30 |
| 5           | Elliot (2005): ch. 12  
Elliot (2015): ch. 12  
Reimer: chs. 8–9  
3 presentations | DB Forum 5  
Written Assignment 4 | 20  
90 |
| 6           | Elliot (2005): chs. 13–15  
Elliot (2015): chs. 13–14  
2 presentations | DB Forum 6  
Written Assignment 5 | 20  
90 |
| 7           | Elliot (2005): chs. 11, 17  
1 presentations | DB Forum 7  
Final Project Outline & Bibliography | 20  
80 |
| 8           | 2 presentations | DB Forum 8  
Final Project Paper  
Final Project PowerPoint | 20  
200  
60 |

**TOTAL** 1010

**NOTE**: Each course module/week begins on Monday morning at 12:00 a.m. (ET) and ends on Sunday night at 11:59 p.m. (ET). The final module/week ends at 11:59 p.m. (ET) on **Friday**.