THE USC THORNTON SCHOOL OF MUSIC

COURSE: MPST 472
Orchestra Rep for Violin

PREREQUISITES: N/A
CLASSIFICATION: Required
CREDIT UNITS: 2 per semester
CLOCK HOURS: 30 hours per semester
SEMESTER: Fall 2021
SCHEDULED CLASS TIME: 5:00-6:50 Thursday
CLASS MEETING PLACE: MUS 105
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COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course consists of an overview of the major required orchestral audition excerpts. Class will include sectional performances, mock audition performances, pedagogical discussion, as well as other activities as directed by the faculty.

COURSE OBJECTIVES: This course serves to provide students with exposure to technical and musical elements required for successful audition preparation and orchestral performance. Students will gain awareness of functional fingerings, bow strokes, sound production concepts, and stylistic/performance practice elements necessary to analyze and perform the standard orchestral literature. Emphasis will be on the preparation of the literature for orchestral auditions. General concepts related to successful performance preparation will also be addressed.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS: Class time will alternate on a weekly basis between a sectional/lecture format and master class format where students will be required to play assigned excerpts from the previous week’s repertoire individually. The master class format may also be used for students to perform excerpts from professional, festival, or other auditions for which they may be preparing. Recordings and other media will be used as appropriate to provide context and survey the range of performance options in the assigned repertoire. Students are required to be acquainted with assigned repertoire before the repertoire is addressed in class.

METHODS OF EVALUATION:
1. Participation: Students are expected to be prepared to play in a sectional format during the appropriate weeks and to playing individually in the master class format. Adherence to the institutional policies regarding attendance and tardiness (see the 2021–22 Student Handbook for more information) will be factors in determining the final participation grade. NB: more than 3 unexcused absences (2 tardies = 1 unexcused absence) will automatically result in a drop of one full letter grade in participation.
2. **Mock Audition:** Students will be required to perform a mock audition consisting of excerpts from the material covered during the semester. A panel will be present, and students will receive written comments.

3. **Grade:** Attendance, Preparation and Participation=60%
   
   Mock Audition/Finals=40%

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**REPERTOIRE BREAKDOWN**

- Beethoven Symphony No. 9 III
- Mozart Symphony No. 39 II
- Mozart Magic Flute Overture  Violin II
- Brahms Symphony No. 4 II
- Brahms Piano Concerto No. 1 III Violin II
- Mendelssohn Scherzo
- Schumann Scherzo
- Prokofiev Classical Symphony
- Mahler Symphony No. 1

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**Statement on Academic Conduct and Support Systems**

**Sharing of course materials outside of the learning environment**

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**SCampus Section 11.12(B)**

*Distribution or use of notes or recordings based on university classes or lectures without the express permission of the instructor for purposes other than individual or group study is a violation of the USC Student Conduct Code. This includes, but is not limited to, providing materials for distribution by services publishing class notes. This restriction on unauthorized use also applies to all information, which had been distributed to students or in any way had been displayed for use in relationship to the class, whether obtained in class, via email, on the Internet or via any other media. (See Section C.1 Class Notes Policy).*

**Academic Conduct**

Plagiarism – presenting someone else’s ideas as your own, either verbatim or recast in your own words – is a serious academic offense with serious consequences. Please familiarize yourself with the discussion of plagiarism in SCampus in Part B, Section 11, “Behavior Violating
University Standards” [policy.usc.edu/scampus-part-b]. Other forms of academic dishonesty are equally unacceptable. See additional information in SCampus and university policies on scientific misconduct, [policy.usc.edu/scientific-misconduct].

Support Systems

_Counseling and Mental Health - (213) 740-9355 – 24/7 on call_

[studenthealth.usc.edu/counseling]

Free and confidential mental health treatment for students, including short-term psychotherapy, group counseling, stress fitness workshops, and crisis intervention.

_National Suicide Prevention Lifeline - 1 (800) 273-8255 – 24/7 on call_

[suicidepreventionlifeline.org]

Free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

_Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention Services (RSVP) - (213) 740-9355(WELL), press “0” after hours – 24/7 on call_

[studenthealth.usc.edu/sexual-assault]

Free and confidential therapy services, workshops, and training for situations related to gender-based harm.

_Office of Equity and Diversity (OED) - (213) 740-5086 | Title IX – (213) 821-8298_

[equity.usc.edu, titleix.usc.edu]

Information about how to get help or help someone affected by harassment or discrimination, rights of protected classes, reporting options, and additional resources for students, faculty, staff, visitors, and applicants.

_Reporting Incidents of Bias or Harassment - (213) 740-5086 or (213) 821-8298_

[usc-advocate.symplicity.com/care_report]

Avenue to report incidents of bias, hate crimes, and microaggressions to the Office of Equity and Diversity |Title IX for appropriate investigation, supportive measures, and response.

_The Office of Disability Services and Programs - (213) 740-0776_

[dsp.usc.edu]

Support and accommodations for students with disabilities. Services include assistance in
providing readers/notetakers/interpreters, special accommodations for test taking needs, assistance with architectural barriers, assistive technology, and support for individual needs.

**USC Campus Support and Intervention - (213) 821-4710**

campussupport.usc.edu

Assists students and families in resolving complex personal, financial, and academic issues adversely affecting their success as a student.

**Diversity at USC - (213) 740-2101**

diversity.usc.edu

Information on events, programs and training, the Provost’s Diversity and Inclusion Council, Diversity Liaisons for each academic school, chronology, participation, and various resources for students.

**USC Emergency - UPC: (213) 740-4321, HSC: (323) 442-1000 – 24/7 on call**

dps.usc.edu, emergency.usc.edu

Emergency assistance and avenue to report a crime. Latest updates regarding safety, including ways in which instruction will be continued if an officially declared emergency makes travel to campus infeasible.

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**USC Technology Support Links**

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