Introduction to Large Forms (MUSI 4210), Fall 2005
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Course information:

MUSI 4210, Introduction to Large Forms  |  Mondays and Wednesdays 2:00–2:50pm  | Room: MSM 116 | course web site: http://www.uh.edu/~adavis5/musi4210  |  This is a course on form in music of the common-practice era, focusing on music of the 18th and 19th centuries. The course emphasizes analysis of scores through analytical work in class and in listening, reading, and analysis assignments outside of class. There will be six assignments, an analytical essay assignment, and a comprehensive final exam.

Prerequisites:

You must have taken the theory placement exam and received permission to enroll in the course, or have completed the first four courses in the theory sequence at the Moores School of Music.

Materials:

Required:

We will have no textbook that refers specifically to form and formal analysis; we will have occasional reading assignments from various sources, and you will be held accountable for the information presented in class. If you would like texts to use as reference concepts in form, these might be useful for you:


**Grading:** the final grade will be computed as follows:

Assignments and quizzes 35% | Essay assignment 25% | Final exam 25% | Class participation 15%

The final grade is assigned according to the standard scale of percentages:

- A: 92.5–100
- A−: 90.0–92.5
- B+: 87.5–90.0
- B: 82.5–87.5
- B−: 80.0–82.5
- C+: 77.5–80.0
- C: 72.5–77.5
- C−: 70.0–72.5
- D+: 67.5–70.0
- D: 62.5–67.5
- D−: 60.0–62.5
- F: below 60.0

**Other information:**

- Assignments are due at the beginning of class on the date indicated, and the due dates are not negotiable. Late assignments will be accepted for full credit only with a written, valid excuse. If you cannot provide such an excuse, your grade for the assignment will be penalized one letter grade for each day the assignment is late. Note that you are responsible for the work assigned in class even if you are absent—you should check the schedule online to see what material was assigned, and you should obtain notes on the relevant material from a classmate.
- Note that assignments will be given less often than you might be used to, which means they will be longer and will weigh more heavily on your final grade. You are responsible for learning the material presented in class, whether we have an assignment on it or not.
- The final exam will be given on the scheduled final exam date for this course (Monday 12 December, 2:00pm). Please plan in advance—the exam cannot be given at alternate times for individual students, and make-up exams will not be given without a written, valid excuse for why you missed the exam.
- It should be clear that in order to maintain a productive environment in class students are expected to behave with courtesy and respect toward their instructor and their classmates. Students will be dismissed from class if they are found to be creating excessive disruptions. This includes disruptions from cell phones: please turn them off.
- Last day to drop or withdraw with no grade: 09/19. After this date grade options for drops/withdrawals are W, Q and F.
- Last day to drop or withdraw from the course: 11/02. A grade of W, Q, or F is possible. Course enrollment status cannot be changed after this date.
- If you have a disability that affects your ability to complete assignments, quizzes, or exams in a timely manner, please inform your instructor at the beginning of the semester so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

**Academic dishonesty:**

You are expected to do your own work on all assignments and exams unless instructed differently; any work you hand in at any time should be your own. Problems with academic dishonesty will be handled according to the procedures outlined in the student handbook (see http://www.uh.edu/dos/hdbk/acad/achonpol.html). Please note that the mere suspicion of academic dishonesty is enough to initiate official action; please do not put yourself in the position of having to deal with this kind of situation.

**Disabilities:**
If you have a disability that affects your capacity to complete assignments and exams in a timely manner, please inform me at the beginning of the semester so that appropriate arrangements can be made. You will need to document your disability with the UH Center for Students with Disabilities (see http://www.uh.edu/csd/). The CSD will provide me with information on your disability, and you and I will work out a mutually agreeable arrangement (based on recommendations provided by the CSD) for how to accommodate the disability.

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