

MUS 207B — Music Theory II
Fall 2024
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2:00-3:15

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Course Description:

This course continues the fundamental concepts of MUS 217A, examining the basic components of music theory aimed to give students the skills to read, write, and perform basic musical concepts such as chords, scales, and rhythms as well as introductory musical terminology.

Course Outcomes:

Students in this course will learn how to:

- Understand, identify, write, and (where applicable) perform:
Minor key signatures, all 7th chords, 16th notes and rhythms, triplets, compound meters, chromatic intervals, harmonic cadences (I, IV, V chords), and complex time signatures.

Prerequisites:

MUS 208A

Course Credits:

3 hrs.

Required Texts:

N/A

Other Required Materials:

Music paper (manuscript paper), pencil with eraser.

You may not use writing implements other than pencils for assignments to be handed in.

Homework, quizzes, or exams done in anything except pencil will not be marked and will receive a failing grade.

Course Goals:

- Students will demonstrate the ability to understand, identify, write, and (where applicable) perform: minor key signatures, all 7th chords, 16th notes and rhythms, triplets, compound meters, chromatic intervals, harmonic cadences (I, IV, V chords), and complex time signatures.

Course Organization:

Weekly classes will primarily involve lectures and in-class practice exercises (done as a class). Additionally, there will be weekly rhythmic exercises (performances). Students will have regular written homework assignments.

Course Assessments:

Course material is presented in three forms: textbook readings, handouts/downloads, and lectures. You are responsible for all material, regardless of the medium of presentation. It is of utmost importance that you bring music paper to class and take notes. In the event that you are absent for a lecture, be sure to get the notes for that class from a classmate.

Please note that homework assignments will be posted on my website in the "courses" section. I do not accept late homework if the assignment is available to the student (e.g., via download), even if the student was absent when the assignment was given. Please see "Homework Policy," below, for additional information.

FAILURE TO APPEAR FOR YOUR MIDTERM or FINAL EXAMINATIONS WILL RESULT IN A FAILURE OF MUS 207B (regardless of your average).

All written work is graded mathematically. Performed work (e.g., rhythmic exercises) grades convert letters to the highest associated number for calculation purposes (A+ = 100; A = 96; A- = 92; B+ = 89; etc.) except for F, which will convert to 0.

Grading Criteria:

Assessment in the course will be weighted as follows:

Homework assignments and quizzes:	50%
Mid-term Exam:	20%
Final Exam:	30%
Attendance:	See below.

Grading Policy:

As a matter of policy, I drop the lowest homework *or* quiz grade.

Final letter grades are assigned according to the following scale:

A+ = 97-100	A = 93-96	A- = 90-92	D+ = 67-69	D = 63-66	D- = 60-62
B+ = 87-89	B = 83-86	B- = 80-82	F = 0-59		
C+ = 77-79	C = 73-76	C- = 70-72			

Attendance Policy:

Class attendance is expected of all students.

Students are expected to show up to class on time. A 2-point reduction on the student's final grade will result for every 2 instances of tardiness.

Course/Classroom Policies:

Students are expected to have cell phones, digital cameras, laptops, etc. put away during class time (though they may be kept on). During quizzes and exams, these devices are to be put away and *turned off*.

NO so-called "wearable" computers (e.g., Apple Watch™) are allowed to be used in the classroom.

Audio recordings of the class are permitted. Please inform the instructor if you are doing this.

NO videos may be taken during class. Videos taken in class will result in failure on all work for that day (first offence) or failure of the course (second offence).

Photographs of the material on the board may be taken *with the permission of the instructor*. This permission must be acquired for each instance. The taking of photographs without permission will result in failure on all work for that day (first offence) or failure of the course (second offence).

Email

Students are *strongly* encouraged to enter my email address and the class open forum address into their email address book and/or on their "safe list." Notifications from ISPs that legitimate emails sent from me or the class open forum have been tagged as spam will result in the removal of the student's address from the open forum list. This could result in missing important class announcements, for which I take no responsibility.

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO CHECK THEIR EMAIL REGULARLY.

University Policies and Information:

LIU's Academic Affairs policies are located on the University website at:

<https://liu.edu/about/LIU-policy/policy-by-category-listing>

LIU Academic Catalogs may be found at:

<https://liu.edu/enrollment-services/registration/academic-catalogs>

The LU Academic Calendar may be found at:

<https://liu.edu/enrollment-services/registration/academic-calendar>

LIU Student Support Services

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Students with Disabilities

In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, including changes made by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008, I will make accommodations for students with disabilities. It is necessary for those students to provide me with the appropriate DSS Accommodations Form by the end of the second week of classes. Please contact the office of Disability Support Services in The Learning Center at 718-488-1095 or by emailing Bk-learningcenter@liu.edu to take appropriate steps to develop an appropriate educational plan.

If you are a student with a documented disability, medical condition, or think you may have a disability, and will need accommodations, academic adjustments, auxiliary aids, or other services, please contact the Office of Disability Support Services by calling 718-488-1095 or emailing Bk-learningcenter@liu.edu to request services, accommodations or for additional information. Additional information is also available on the DSS website: <https://liu.edu/student-success/learning-center>.

The Learning Center

LIU Brooklyn offers free tutoring in math, sciences, and other subject areas as well as reading/writing. For information about how to register for tutoring, contact:

Email: Bk-learningcenter@liu.edu

Phone: 718-488-1095 for reading/writing tutors; 718-488-1040 for subject tutors

Location: The Learning Center, Library 4th Floor (LLC 405)

The Writing Center

The Writing Center at Brooklyn provides free writing assistance to all students. Writing assistants can work with you at any point in your writing process from helping to clarify an assignment or prompt, through brainstorming, organizing, and developing your ideas, citing your sources, and polishing your writing.

Email: Bkln-wcenter@liu.edu

Phone: 718-488-1095

Location: The Learning Center, Library 4th Floor (LLC 405)

To access information about our location and hours of operation, as well as links to writing resources:

- 1) click on the Community tab in Blackboard,
- 2) then click on Writing Center,
- 3) enroll to join the Blackboard Writing Center organization using the enrollment code: [Wr1tingC&nter](#),
- 4) then select Brooklyn Writing Center or visit us online: wcentersite.wixsite.com/wc-online.

Follow us on Instagram for information and updates: [@brooklynwc](#)

If you have any questions, please email us at Bkln-wcenter@liu.edu or contact the associate director, Lynn Hassan (Lynn.Hassan@liu.edu), 718-488-1095.

Brooklyn Healthy Living

Long Island University students have access to on-campus mental health counseling services, religious and spiritual counseling, health and wellness programs, and telehealth and local in-person health care.

Website: www.liu.edu/brooklyn/healthyliving

LIU Healthy Living is a collaboration of on-campus resources and relationships with local health organizations and professionals, including [Northwell Health College Behavioral Health Program](#), the [LIU Brooklyn Psychological Services Center](#), and [Northwell Health – GoHealth](#).

The Psychological Services Center provides confidential counseling to currently enrolled Brooklyn students. Counseling sessions are conducted by appointment only and can be requested via email. Students have the option to call or walk in to make an advanced appointment for an initial screening.

Psychological Services Center

Website: <https://liupsc.com/>

Hours: Mondays 10am-4pm

Wednesdays 1pm-4pm

Thursdays 10am-4pm

Location: Pratt Building 510

Phone: 718-488-1266

Email: bkln-psychservices@liu.edu

Withdrawal Dates:

- The last day of the add-drop period is 17 September 2024.
- The last day to withdraw from the course is 08 November 2024.