



**University Symphony Band  
MUN 1130  
Spring 2021**

**Instructor:** Dr. Marc Decker, Assistant Professor of Music  
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**Office Hours:** MW 3-5 PM, and by appointment  
**Course Time:** Monday, Wednesday 5:00-6:50 PM  
**Course Location:** AL 260  
**Course Credits:** 0

**Course Description:** The Florida Atlantic University Symphony Band provides member musicians with an environment in which personal artistic growth may occur through the performance of quality music for winds. Members collaborate with other dedicated musicians in an effort to foster personal musicianship in an ensemble environment while producing performances that are both well-prepared and presented in an artistic manner. Class may be repeated. (no prerequisite required)

**Course Objectives:** The purpose of the FAU Symphony Band is to provide an opportunity for students to interact socially and musically, nurture the highest level of musicianship, explore forms of human expression, and inspire a love of the arts.

**Student Expectations:** Class will always start on-time at 5 pm sharp. Perfect attendance is considered the norm. In the event of illness or emergency, email the instructor within one-day of the absence requesting that it be excused. Failure to do so will result in an unexcused absence. Please assist with the setup and take-down of equipment each day.

**Evaluation and Grading:** Musical ensembles cannot function at their peak without all members at rehearsals and performances. Attendance is taken at all rehearsals and concerts throughout the semester.

**Satisfactory = 0-4 Unexcused Absences**  
**Unsatisfactory = 5+ Unexcused Absences**

**Instrument Borrowing:** The school has a limited number of instruments available for student use. Treat any school owned equipment as your own. Students are financially responsible for any damage caused to school equipment under their care.

**Course Schedule:**

Date	Event	Performance
March 1	Winter Concert	7:00 PM
April 7	Spring Concert	7:00 PM

**Attendance Policy Statement:** *Students are expected to attend all of their scheduled University classes and to satisfy all academic objectives as outlined by the instructor. The effect of absences upon grades is determined by the instructor, and the University reserves the right to deal at any time with individual cases of non-attendance. Students are responsible for arranging to make up work missed because of legitimate class absence, such as illness, family emergencies, military obligation, court-imposed legal obligations or participation in University-approved activities. Examples of University-approved reasons for absences include participating on an athletic or scholastic team, musical and theatrical performances and debate activities. It is the student's responsibility to give the instructor notice prior to any anticipated absences and within a reasonable amount of time after an unanticipated absence, ordinarily by the next scheduled class meeting. Instructors must allow each student who is absent for a University-approved reason the opportunity to make up work missed 3 without any reduction in the student's final course grade as a direct result of such absence.*

**Disability Policy Statement:** *In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act (ADAAA), students who require reasonable accommodations due to a disability to properly execute coursework must register with Student Accessibility Services (SAS) and follow all SAS procedures. SAS has offices across three of FAU's campuses – Boca Raton, Davie and Jupiter – however disability services are available for students on all campuses. For more information, please visit the SAS website at [www.fau.edu/sas/](http://www.fau.edu/sas/).*

**Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Center:** *Life as a university student can be challenging physically, mentally and emotionally. Students who find stress negatively affecting their ability to achieve academic or personal goals may wish to consider utilizing FAU's Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) Center. CAPS provides FAU students a range of services – individual counseling, support meetings, and psychiatric services, to name a few – offered to help improve and maintain emotional well-being. For more information, go to <http://www.fau.edu/counseling/>*

**Code of Academic Integrity Policy Statement:** *Students at Florida Atlantic University are expected to maintain the highest ethical standards. Academic dishonesty is considered a serious breach of these ethical standards, because it interferes with the university mission to provide a high quality education in which no student enjoys an unfair advantage over any other. Academic dishonesty is also destructive of the university community, which is grounded in a system of mutual trust and places high value on personal integrity and individual responsibility. Harsh penalties are associated with academic dishonesty. For more information, see University Regulation 4.001. If your college has particular policies relating to cheating and plagiarism, state so here or provide a link to the full policy—but be sure the college policy does not conflict with the University Regulation.*

**Religious Accommodations:** *Any student, upon notifying his or her instructor, will be excused from class or other scheduled academic or educational activity to observe a religious holy day of his or her personal faith. Such notification shall be made no later than the end of the second week of the applicable academic term. Students shall not be penalized due to absence from class or other scheduled academic or educational activity because of religious observances, practices or beliefs. Students should review course requirements and meeting days and times to avoid foreseeable conflicts, as excessive absences in a given term may prevent a student from successfully completing the academic requirements of a course. Students who are excused from class or a specific work assignment or other academic or educational activity for the purpose of observing a religious holy day will be responsible for the material covered in their absence, but shall be permitted a reasonable amount of time to make up any missed work. Missed work shall be made up in accordance with a timetable set by the student's instructor or as prescribed by the instructor at the beginning of the academic term.*