



COURSE OUTLINE

MUS301 Performance 3

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USC Sunshine Coast

ON CAMPUS

Most of your course is on campus but you may be able to do some components of this course online.

Please go to the USC website for up to date information on the teaching sessions and campuses where this course is usually offered.

1. What is this course about?

1.1. Description

In this course, you will advance your performance knowledge and skills towards an industry-facing performance showcase. You will be guided by industry practitioners as you engage in advanced performance tasks including performance practice, industry-guided integration of technology, and advanced conceptualisation skills. These tasks will culminate in an industry-facing showcase performance event in a public music performance space.

1.2. How will this course be delivered?

ACTIVITY	HOURS	BEGINNING WEEK	FREQUENCY
ON CAMPUS			
Tutorial/Workshop – On campus tutorial/workshop for 12 weeks (or equivalent).	3hrs	Week 1	12 times

1.3. Course Topics

Music performance

Showcase

Technical documentation

Advanced performance theory

Aural skills

Critical listening

Stage presence / stage craft

Technology integration

Audience engagement

industry-facing

2. What level is this course?

300 Level (Graduate)

Demonstrating coherence and breadth or depth of knowledge and skills. Independent application of knowledge and skills in unfamiliar contexts. Meeting professional requirements and AQF descriptors for the degree. May require pre-requisites where discipline specific introductory or developing knowledge or skills is necessary. Normally undertaken in the third or fourth full-time study year of an undergraduate program.

3. What is the unit value of this course?

12 units

4. How does this course contribute to my learning?

COURSE LEARNING OUTCOMES	GRADUATE QUALITIES
On successful completion of this course, you should be able to...	Completing these tasks successfully will contribute to you becoming...
1 Apply and justify vocal and instrumental techniques and vocal and instrumental abilities to performance.	Knowledgeable Creative and critical thinker
2 Curate and develop creative work in line with your performance intentions and is informed by contextual research.	Creative and critical thinker
3 Identify and apply technical practice to enrich your performance outcomes.	Knowledgeable Empowered Engaged
4 Apply fundamentals of stage craft to your performance.	Empowered

5. Am I eligible to enrol in this course?

Refer to the [USC Glossary of terms](#) for definitions of “pre-requisites, co-requisites and anti-requisites”.

5.1. Pre-requisites

Not applicable

5.2. Co-requisites

Not applicable

5.3. Anti-requisites

Not applicable

5.4. Specific assumed prior knowledge and skills (where applicable)

Recommended experience in public performance on instrument or voice.

6. How am I going to be assessed?

6.1. Grading Scale

Standard Grading (GRD)

High Distinction (HD), Distinction (DN), Credit (CR), Pass (PS), Fail (FL).

6.2. Details of early feedback on progress

An opportunity exists in every workshop to produce and perform creative pieces individually and/or in small peer groups. However, in Week 4 students will received feedback from tutors.

6.3. Assessment tasks

DELIVERY MODE	TASK NO.	ASSESSMENT PRODUCT	INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP	WEIGHTING %	WHAT IS THE DURATION / LENGTH?	WHEN SHOULD I SUBMIT?	WHERE SHOULD I SUBMIT IT?
All	1	Creative Performance	Individual	20%	10 minutes	Week 5	In Class
All	2	Creative Performance	Individual	35%	5 minutes technical run through plus technical documentation.	Week 11	In Class
All	3	Creative Performance	Individual	45%	15 -20 minutes plus technical documentation.	Exam Period	To be Negotiated

All - Assessment Task 1: Critical Aural and Voice Skills

GOAL:	This assessment will demonstrate your advanced critical aural and vocalisation skills in relation to music performance and theory.		
PRODUCT:	Creative Performance		
FORMAT:	In this task you will respond to a number of audio and written stimuli using your developing critical listening skills in music theory and performance.		
CRITERIA:	No.		Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Application of critical listening skills.	1 3
	2	Demonstration of musical and performance concepts.	1 4
	3	Translation of aural skills to vocalisation skills.	1 3
	4	Demonstration of performance management concepts in a time specific environment.	3

All - Assessment Task 2: Stagecraft and Technology

GOAL:	This assessment will establish the required performance skills to communicate a work on stage while incorporating industry level technical considerations.		
PRODUCT:	Creative Performance		
FORMAT:	In this task you will develop and perform a musical work that incorporates technical tools and systems to aid in your performance. This performance will be a technical run of one element of your showcase performance (assessment 3). Your choices for the performance should take into account the technical parameters and limitations of the proposed venue. You will also provide key technical documentation to communicate your intentions to industry professionals in order to facilitate the successful operation of your work. This will include a stage plot, technical specifications, and run sheet.		
CRITERIA:	No.		Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Demonstration of advanced performance techniques, stagecraft and stage presence.	3 4
	2	Integration of technical systems into performance.	3 4
	3	Engaging in advanced musical concepts in performance.	2 4
	4	Communication of technical parameters to industry through use of technical documentation.	3 4

All - Assessment Task 3: Showcase Performance

GOAL:	This assessment is a 15-20 minute industry showcase performance of your own design based on advanced concepts and practices of performance, and integrating technology in the performance space.	
PRODUCT:	Creative Performance	
FORMAT:	In this task you will develop, produce, and perform an industry-level showcase of your creative work to be staged in a public-facing music venue. In this performance you will demonstrate your understanding of performance and stagecraft techniques, and how to incorporate technical systems to aid in your desired outcome. This task builds on and expands the work from assessment 2 into a set. You will also provide full technical documentation to communicate your intentions to industry professionals in order to facilitate the successful operation of your show.	
CRITERIA:	No.	Learning Outcome assessed
	1	Demonstration of advanced performance techniques, stagecraft and stage presence in an industry-facing environment. 2 4
	2	Integration of technical systems into performance in an industry-facing environment. 2 3
	3	Engaging in advanced musical concepts in performance in an industry-facing environment. 2 4
	4	Communication of technical parameters to industry through use of technical documentation 1 3

7. Directed study hours

A 12-unit course will have total of 150 learning hours which will include directed study hours (including online if required), self-directed learning and completion of assessable tasks. Directed study hours may vary by location. Student workload is calculated at 12.5 learning hours per one unit.

8. What resources do I need to undertake this course?

Please note: Course information, including specific information of recommended readings, learning activities, resources, weekly readings, etc. are available on the course Blackboard site– Please log in as soon as possible.

8.1. Prescribed text(s) or course reader

There are no required/recommended resources for this course.

8.2. Specific requirements

Large format hard drive with minimum USB3 connectivity

9. How are risks managed in this course?

Health and safety risks for this course have been assessed as low. It is your responsibility to review course material, search online, discuss with lecturers and peers and understand the health and safety risks associated with your specific course of study and to familiarise yourself with the University's general health and safety principles by reviewing the [online induction training for students](#), and following the instructions of the University staff.

10. What administrative information is relevant to this course?

10.1. Assessment: Academic Integrity

Academic integrity is the ethical standard of university participation. It ensures that students graduate as a result of proving they are competent in their discipline. This is integral in maintaining the value of academic qualifications. Each industry has expectations and standards of the skills and knowledge within that discipline and these are reflected in assessment.

Academic integrity means that you do not engage in any activity that is considered to be academic fraud; including plagiarism, collusion or outsourcing any part of any assessment item to any other person. You are expected to be honest and ethical by completing all work yourself and indicating in your work which ideas and information were developed by you and which were taken from others. You cannot provide your assessment work to others. You are also expected to provide evidence of wide and critical reading, usually by using appropriate academic references.

In order to minimise incidents of academic fraud, this course may require that some of its assessment tasks, when submitted to Blackboard, are electronically checked through SafeAssign. This software allows for text comparisons to be made between your submitted assessment item and all other work that SafeAssign has access to.

10.2. Assessment: Additional Requirements

Your eligibility for supplementary assessment in a course is dependent of the following conditions applying:

The final mark is in the percentage range 47% to 49.4%

The course is graded using the Standard Grading scale

You have not failed an assessment task in the course due to academic misconduct.

10.3. Assessment: Submission penalties

Late submission of assessment tasks may be penalised at the following maximum rate:

- 5% (of the assessment task's identified value) per day for the first two days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task.

- 10% (of the assessment task's identified value) for the third day - 20% (of the assessment task's identified value) for the fourth day and subsequent days up to and including seven days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task.

- A result of zero is awarded for an assessment task submitted after seven days from the date identified as the due date for the assessment task. Weekdays and weekends are included in the calculation of days late. To request an extension you must contact your course coordinator to negotiate an outcome.

10.4. Study help

For help with course-specific advice, for example what information to include in your assessment, you should first contact your tutor, then your course coordinator, if needed.

If you require additional assistance, the Learning Advisers are trained professionals who are ready to help you develop a wide range of academic skills. Visit the [Learning Advisers](#) web page for more information, or contact Student Central for further assistance: +61 7 5430 2890 or studentcentral@usc.edu.au.

10.5. Wellbeing Services

Student Wellbeing provide free and confidential counselling on a wide range of personal, academic, social and psychological matters, to foster positive mental health and wellbeing for your academic success.

To book a confidential appointment go to [Student Hub](#), email studentwellbeing@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 1226.

10.6. AccessAbility Services

Ability Advisers ensure equal access to all aspects of university life. If your studies are affected by a disability, learning disorder mental health issue, injury or illness, or you are a primary carer for someone with a disability or who is considered frail and aged, [AccessAbility Services](#) can provide access to appropriate reasonable adjustments and practical advice about the support and facilities available to you throughout the University.

To book a confidential appointment go to [Student Hub](#), email AccessAbility@usc.edu.au or call 07 5430 2890.

10.7. Links to relevant University policy and procedures

For more information on Academic Learning & Teaching categories including:

- Assessment: Courses and Coursework Programs
- Review of Assessment and Final Grades
- Supplementary Assessment
- Administration of Central Examinations
- Deferred Examinations
- Student Academic Misconduct
- Students with a Disability

Visit the USC website: <http://www.usc.edu.au/explore/policies-and-procedures#academic-learning-and-teaching>

10.8. General Enquiries

In person:

- **USC Sunshine Coast** - Student Central, Ground Floor, Building C, 90 Sippy Downs Drive, Sippy Downs
- **USC Moreton Bay** - Service Centre, Ground Floor, Foundation Building, Gympie Road, Petrie
- **USC SouthBank** - Student Central, Building A4 (SW1), 52 Merivale Street, South Brisbane
- **USC Gympie** - Student Central, 71 Cartwright Road, Gympie
- **USC Fraser Coast** - Student Central, Student Central, Building A, 161 Old Maryborough Rd, Hervey Bay
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