

COURSE OUTLINE

MUSC-195 and 196

Class Guitar I and II

2 Semester Hours; 2 Semester Hours

HOWARD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Description

Upon successful completion of this course, the student will have a fundamental understanding of the basics of music reading and guitar playing. The main focus is the discipline of classical guitar technique and style with emphasis on ensemble music reading and individual development. Some instruction will be offered in other styles of guitar music. This class will serve as a foundation for more in-depth study on the private level. (3 hours weekly plus additional independent practice time)

Class Guitar II is a continuation of Class Guitar I. Prerequisite: MUSC-195. (3 hours weekly plus additional independent practice time)

Overall Course Objectives

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

1. Play any given note in all its locations on the fingerboard
2. Play any scale or chord.
3. Recite the order of key signatures in flat and sharp keys.
4. Demonstrate correct rhythm reading of music which includes whole notes, half notes, quarter notes, and eighth notes.
5. Perform a Tremolo slowly.
6. Perform roll slowly.
7. Read Tablature.
8. Perform Spanish Ballad.
9. Perform the 1st 16 measures of Leyenda.
10. Demonstrate fluent chord switching technique.

Major Topics

- I. Scales
- II. Chords
- III. Improvisation
- IV. Reading
- V. Repertoire

Course Requirements

Grading/exams: Grading procedures will be determined by the individual faculty member but will include the following: final grades will be based on individual performance.

Other Course Information

This course is an Arts and Sciences elective, a Fine Arts elective and a Humanities elective.