

**J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College  
Course Content Summary**

**Course Prefix and Number:** MUS 137

**Credits:** 1

**Course Title:** Chorus Ensemble

**Course Description (including lecture hours, lab hours, total contacts):**

Ensemble consists of performance from the standard repertoires, including study of ensemble techniques and interpretation. School approval required. May be repeated for credit. Laboratory 3 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose:**

Required for the AAA degree in Music for vocal majors. This course provides experience in group performance and introduces the student to examples of the standard repertoire.

**Course Prerequisites/Corequisites** (*Entry-level competencies **required** for enrollment*)

School approval required.

**Course Objectives:** Upon completing the course, the student will be able to:

- a. Become sensitive to and understand the performance of great music
- b. Demonstrate disciplines necessary for group effort
- c. Develop singing ability and vocal technique
- d. Experience enjoyment through singing

**Major Topics to be Included:**

- a. Choral music from different historical periods
- b. Folk, popular, and ethnic choral music
- c. Sacred and secular music
- d. Accompanied and a cappella music
- e. Performance from the standard repertoires
- f. Study of ensemble techniques and interpretation

**Effective Date of Course Content Summary (Month, Date Year):** 02/17/09