

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

Course Prefix and Number: MUS 149

Credits: 1

Course Title: Band 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 instrumental 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. Perform works from the standard repertoire
- b. Sight-read music at the appropriate level
- c. Demonstrate good practice techniques
- d. Effectively interact with other musicians in an ensemble

Major Topics to be Included:

- a. Repertoire: jazz standards, popular songs, original music
- b. Music reading skills
- c. Practice and rehearsal techniques
- d. Professional level of performance practice

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