Laney College

Jazz

Overview

College	Laney - Liberal Arts
Originator	John Reager
Award Type	Certificate of Achievement

Codes and Dates

State Approval Date	6/06/2019
Curriculum Committee Approval Date	5/03/2019
Board of Trustees Date	6/12/2019
Current Effective Date	1/01/2020
Program Control Number	38115
Top Code	1004.00 - Music

Description

The Jazz Certificate of Achievement recognizes mastery of Jazz essential. Students will examine basic Jazz theory, performance techniques, improvisation skills, and Jazz History; Chord voicings, Alphabet System, evolution of styles from Blues and Ragtime to the present; ensemble playing techniques including: blending, tone production, chart reading, and solo improvisation. After completing this program, students will be able to play concerts, compose music, participate in recording sessions, or continue with their studies towards an associate degree.

Career Opportunities

Music teacher, performer, recording artist, promoter, arts management, arts administration.

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, students will be able to:

1. Identify, construct, and play elements of Jazz Theory including: Chord construction, proper use of Alphabet Chord Symbols, use of Medieval church modes, diminished scales, whole tone scales, Lydian dominants, Blues scales, and melodic minor modes.
2. Jazz History: Successful students will identify, explain, and analyze concepts from the history of Jazz.
3. Performance: Successful students will synthesize their knowledge of style (Jazz history), theory (use of correct modes and chord voicings), and other improvisation techniques into live public performances.

Degree Requirements:

Group 1: Jazz History - (6 units): **Credit Hours:** (6 Required)

MUSIC 015A	Jazz, Blues and Popular Music in the American Culture	3
MUSIC 015B	Jazz, Blues and Popular Music in the American Culture	3

Group 2: Jazz Piano - Select a minimum of one unit from the following (1 unit) **Credit Hours:** (1 Required)

MUSIC 138	Jazz Piano I	1
MUSIC 139	Jazz Piano II	1
MUSIC 140	Jazz Piano III	1
MUSIC 141	Jazz Piano IV	1

Group 3: Jazz Ensemble Performance - Select a minimum of 4 units from the following (4 units) **Credit Hours:** (4 Required)

MUSIC 126	Jazz Orchestra	1
MUSIC 127	Jazz Combos	1
MUSIC 129	Jazz Orchestra Repertoire	1
MUSIC 144	Intermediate Jazz Combos	1
MUSIC 145	Advanced Jazz Combos	1
MUSIC 226	Jazz Orchestra Repertoire	1

Total: 11

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