

## **MUAP 3269-220 Trombone - Major**

Fine Arts Building

Scheduled time: TBA

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1. Course Purpose: The purpose of individual Trombone lessons is to advance the technical and musical skill of the individual performer through the study and performance of Trombone literature and technique.

2. All required music is to be purchased by the student. Music purchases will be assigned on the basis of individual needs.

3. The semester's literature will be selected after an individual needs assessment is made, during which the student's performance level will be determined. Required minimum assignments are as follows: Etude material from a variety of sources chosen by the teacher after a needs assessment is made, and a solo to be performed on student recital. Additional technique development assignments will be made at the teacher's discretion.

4. All music majors are required to perform mid term and final juries. Additionally, students will appear on student recital once per semester. The faculty will grade each performance. Each performance is worth 10% of the semester grade for that student's private lesson (that adds up to 20% of the semester grade). You will also receive a weekly lesson grade. The average of those grades will make up the other 80% of the semester grade.

Student Recital performances must be accompanied by piano or other instrument(s) if indicated by the composer. It is the responsibility of the student to find and provide an accompanist. Technical etudes are not to be performed on student recital.

Unaccompanied performances are only permitted if the work performed is written for solo instrument without accompaniment.

5. A notebook is required for lessons in which you will keep track of your assignments. Practice logs may be required if the student is not showing consistent preparation on a weekly basis. All Trombone majors are expected to practice a **minimum of two hours every day**, and this does not include ensembles.

6. Weekly lesson grades will be based on 3 items: attendance, promptness, (this includes being warmed up for your lesson) preparation, and daily practice log reports when required.

7. There are no excused absences. The semester letter grade will be lowered one letter grade for each missed lesson. You may be excused from your lesson for illness, school activities, death or other act of God at the discretion of the individual instructor, and excuses will only be considered if you inform the instructor prior to missing the lesson.

8. Your assignments for each lesson will be assigned on a weekly basis depending on your progress during the semester.