

# MUSI 3134-110: WOODWIND CLASS

Fall 2023

Texas A&M University-Central Texas

## COURSE DATES, MODALITY, AND LOCATION

August 28 – December 15 (Final Exam will be online due to the Temple Christmas Parade)

This course meets face-to-face: 4:30pm – 6:10pm, Mondays – Room 708 Temple College PAC, with supplemental materials made available online through the A&M-Central Texas Canvas Learning Management System [<https://tamuct.instructure.com/>].

## INSTRUCTOR AND CONTACT INFORMATION

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## OFFICE HOURS

I am not on the TC Campus regularly. So, if you need something, email or call, and I will get with you as soon as possible.

## STUDENT-INSTRUCTOR INTERACTION

**I can usually respond within 24 hours. Email is the best way to get in contact with me.**

### Emergency Warning System for Texas A&M University-Central Texas

**SAFEZONE.** SafeZone provides a public safety application that gives you the ability to call for help with the push of a button. It also provides Texas A&M University-Central Texas the ability to communicate emergency information quickly via push notifications, email, and text messages. All students automatically receive email and text messages via their myCT accounts.

Downloading SafeZone allows access to push notifications and enables you to connect directly for help through the app.

You can download SafeZone from the app store and use your myCT credentials to log in. If you would like more information, you can visit the [SafeZone](http://www.safezoneapp.com) website [[www.safezoneapp.com](http://www.safezoneapp.com)].

To register SafeZone on your phone, please follow these 3 easy steps:

1. Download the SafeZone App from your phone store using the link below:
  - o **iPhone/iPad:** [<https://apps.apple.com/app/safezone/id533054756>]
  - o **Android Phone / Tablet** [<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.criticalarc.safezoneapp>]
2. Launch the app and enter your myCT email address (e.g. {name}@tamuct.edu)
3. Complete your profile and accept the terms of service

**For updates on COVID information,** please monitor the University [website](https://www.tamuct.edu/covid19/) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/covid19/>]

## COURSE INFORMATION

### Course Overview and description

This course is intended for students who are preparing to teach instrumental music at the elementary and/or secondary level. The focus of the course is on the study of Woodwind instruments with emphasis in individual/group instructional methods and individual performance. The student will acquire an adequate playing technique and

develop competencies and understandings that will contribute to becoming a more effective instrumental music teacher.

## Student Learning Outcomes

The student will:

- Demonstrate the ability to implement effective pedagogical techniques for beginning instrumental instruction of Woodwind instruments.
- Develop fundamental performance techniques on the flute, clarinet, saxophone, oboe and/or bassoon.
- Demonstrate knowledge of advanced performance techniques and pedagogy related to Woodwind instrument performance.
- Develop skills in structuring successful learning experiences through the delivery of succinct instruction, the elicitation of correct student responses, and the communication of appropriate feedback

## Competency Goals Statements (certification or standards)

**Standard I. The music teacher has a comprehensive visual and aural knowledge of musical perception and performance.**

**Standard III. The music teacher has a comprehensive knowledge of music notation.**

**Standard V. The music teacher has a comprehensive knowledge of music history and the relationship of music to history, society, and culture.**

**Standard VI. The music teacher applies a comprehensive knowledge of music to evaluate musical compositions, performances, and experiences.**

**Standard VII. The music teacher understands how to plan and implement effective music instruction and provides students with learning experiences that enhance their musical knowledge, skills, and appreciation.**

## Required Reading and Textbook(s) and Equipment

- Colwell, R.J. & Hewitt, M.P. *The teaching of instrumental Music (fifth Ed.)*. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall, 2011.
- Lautzenheiser, T. et al. (2004). *Essential Elements 2000 Book 1 for Flute*. Milwaukee, WI: Hal Leonard.
- Lautzenheiser, T. et al. (2004). *Essential Elements 2000 Book 1 for Clarinet*. Milwaukee, WI: Hal Leonard.
- Lautzenheiser, T. et al. (2004). *Essential Elements 2000 Book 1 for Alto Saxophone*. Milwaukee, WI: Hal Leonard.
- Lautzenheiser, T. et al. (2004). *Essential Elements 2000 Book 1 for Oboe*. Milwaukee, WI: Hal Leonard.
- Clarinet and Alto Saxophone reeds. Vandoren 3 for each. Available through Music and Arts or online.
- Oboe and Bassoon Reeds if needed

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS

### Assignments

- **Performance Assessments**
  - You will partake in performance exams throughout the semester.
  - These will be solo performances. For any of the performances, you may be asked to perform in front of the class, record the performance and/or upload your performance to the Canvas website/YouTube.

- Expectations are different for students based on their experience level with **Woodwind instruments**:
  - **Woodwind players (Flute, Clarinet): you will spend the majority of your performance time learning to play the woodwind instruments you are not familiar with.**
  - **Non-Woodwind players: you will spend approximately 30% of your performance time on Flute & 30% on Clarinet, with the remaining 40% dedicated to Oboe, Bassoon and Saxophone.**
  - **Unfortunately, there will be limited exposure to Oboe and Bassoon depending on availability of instruments.**
- **Quizzes, Test & Exams** Short quizzes will be given at various times throughout the semester at the beginning of class or on Canvas
  - They could be based on any material that has been read, presented, discussed, etc. as part of the class.
  - **Written midterm and final exams will be given.**
    - **The grade necessary to pass any exam, quiz or test, is 70%.**
    - **If a grade is not achieved, and the assignment is completed on time, then the instructor has the right to give an alternative quiz/assessment. For any quiz given to assess comprehension of reading material not passed, the student will provide a detailed outline of the content covered by the next class. If not turned in by the next class, the opportunity to improve one's grade will no longer be available.**
- **Woodwind methods notebook**
  - Either a three-ring binder or digital file containing used information to refer to when you are teaching. Information should include items such as fingering charts, technical ideas, mouthpiece information etc.
- **Woodwind Performance Listening**
  - You will locate an inspirational (to you) Woodwind recording and share it with of 3-5 minutes in length and present it to the class with your comments on what students should listen for in the piece
- **Major Project – “Start Up Lessons”**
  - You will give a “first day” lesson on each instrument
  - The lesson will be 5-10 minutes
  - The goal will be to have the student produce a quality tone on the head joint/mouthpiece, then how to properly hold the instrument and play their first note
  - If the student is able to do that quickly, progress onto other notes beginning students should learn in early lessons
  - Think at the beginning of the semester who your “students” could be. Lessons may be given to the other classmates

NOTE: At times, it may be necessary to add or adapt assignments for the benefit of student learning. If this is the case, all necessary information will be provided, and students will be given an appropriate amount of time to complete the assignment.

### Grading Criteria Rubric and Conversion

- Performance tests – 50%
- Exams – 20%
- Major Project/Startup Lessons – 20%
- Weekly Preparation/Class Participation – 10%

A = 90 – 100 represents exceptional demonstration of deep, coherent, unified understandings

B = 80 – 89.9 represents proficient overall understanding

C = 70 – 79.9 represents acceptable understanding in most areas of theory and practice

D = 60 – 69.9 represents developing understanding with some critical deficiencies

F = 59.9 < represents unsatisfactory understanding with significant deficiencies remaining

### Posting of Grades

**Every effort will be made to post grades in a timely fashion after completion of tasks and assignments.**

**Final grades will be posted to Canvas after completion of course requirements.**

## COURSE OUTLINE AND CALENDAR

### Complete Course Calendar

- Week 1 – August 28
  - Topic(s): Syllabus, Course Outline, Questions, Instrument assignments
  - The Most Important Lesson: Starting the Beginner Assignment: Chapter 11: 126 - 141
  - The First Lessons (Clarinet)
  - Assignment: Ch. 18 233-249; Review Chapter 16 192 – 195
  - Beginning lessons (Clarinet) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
- Week 2 – September 11 (No class Labor Day)
  - Topic(s): Winds Principles
  - Assignment: Chapter 15: 197-206
  - Discuss Woodwind Fingering Principals/Finger exercises for all instruments
  - Continue lessons (Clarinet) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
  - Topic(s): Mouthpieces, reeds, etc.
  - Quiz # 3
- Week 3 – September 18
  - Topic(s): Ray Chapa Exercises
  - Continue lessons (Clarinet) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
- Week 4 – September 25
  - Startup Lesson due- Clarinet
  - Playing test - Clarinet
  - Topic(s): Harmony Clarinets
  - Turn in Clarinet, receive Alto Saxophone
- Week 5 – October 2
  - Topic(s): The Alto Saxophone
  - Assignment: Read Chapter 19 257 - 271
  - Begin lessons (Alto Saxophone) Essential Elements 2000 Book
- Week 6 – October 9
  - Topic(s): Woodwind Pedagogy & History continued
  - Continue lessons (Alto Saxophone) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
- Week 7 – October 16
  - Continue lessons (Alto Saxophone) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
  - Principles for Woodwind: Mouthpieces and Care & Maintenance
- Week 8 – October 23
  - Playing test - Saxophone
  - Startup Lesson Due - Saxophone
  - Topic(s): Woodwinds for Jazz Bands
  - Turn in Alto Saxophone for Flute
- Week 9 – October 30
  - Topic(s): Flute
  - Assignment: Read Chapter 16: 207 – 220
  - The First Lessons (Flute) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
  - Assembling the instrument
- Week 10 – November 6
  - Continued lessons (Flute) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
- Week 11 – November 13
  - Continued lessons (Flute) Essential Elements 2000 Book 1
- Week 12 – November 20
  - Playing Test - Flute
  - Startup Lesson Due - Flute
- Week 13 – November 27
  - Topic(s): Assignment: Read Chapter 17 and 20
  - Topic(s): Double reeds: Things to listen for and maintenance
  - Topic(s): Recruiting and setting up students for success
  - Assignment: Read Ch 5, 55 - 60
- **Week 14 – TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5???**
  - The Temple Christmas Parade is on Monday, December 6, so we will not have class that day. Hopefully December 5th will work for everyone
  - Topic(s): How to structure a beginner Woodwind lesson with mixed
  - Marching Band Woodwind usage
  - Playing Test 4
- Week 15 – December 11
  - FINAL EXAM (written/online)
  - Our Winter Concert for Lamar MS is on December 11. The final will be an online final exam due by midnight, Monday, December 11. If you come across any issues, technology or otherwise, please communicate with me well before the due date

### Important University Dates

<https://www.tamuct.edu/registrar/academic-calendar.html>

### TECHNOLOGY REQUIREMENTS AND SUPPORT

### Technology Requirements

This course will use the A&M-Central Texas Instructure Canvas learning management system. **We strongly recommend the latest versions of Chrome or Firefox browsers. Canvas no longer supports any version of Internet Explorer.**

Logon to A&M-Central Texas Canvas [<https://tamuct.instructure.com/>] or access Canvas through the TAMUCT Online link in myCT [<https://tamuct.onecampus.com/>]. You will log in through our Microsoft portal.

Username: Your MyCT email address. Password: Your MyCT password

### Canvas Support

Use the Canvas Help link, located at the bottom of the left-hand menu, for issues with Canvas. You can select "Chat with Canvas Support," submit a support request through "Report a Problem," or call the Canvas support line: 1-844-757-0953.

For issues related to course content and requirements, contact your instructor.

### Online Proctored Testing

A&M-Central Texas uses Proctorio for online identity verification and proctored testing. This service is provided at no direct cost to students. If the course requires identity verification or proctored testing, the technology requirements are: Any computer meeting the minimum computing requirements, plus web camera, speaker, and microphone (or headset). Proctorio also requires the Chrome web browser with their custom plug in.

### Other Technology Support

For log-in problems, students should contact Help Desk Central

24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Email: [helpdesk@tamu.edu](mailto:helpdesk@tamu.edu)

Phone: (254) 519-5466

[Web Chat](http://hdc.tamu.edu): [<http://hdc.tamu.edu>]

*Please let the support technician know you are an A&M-Central Texas student.*

## UNIVERSITY RESOURCES, PROCEDURES, AND GUIDELINES

### Warrior Center for Student Success

**The Warrior Center for Student Success is a comprehensive academic support department at A&M-Central Texas, dedicated to fostering an environment of excellence and empowerment among its student body. The center offers a wide range of programs and services to ensure every student reaches their full potential, and is a haven for students seeking guidance, resources, and a strong support network to excel in their educational journey.**

**ADA Access and Accommodations:** Texas A&M University-Central Texas ensures that students with disabilities have equal access to educational opportunities by providing appropriate accommodations and support services. If you believe you have a physical, learning or socio-emotional disability requiring reasonable accommodations, please visit [Access and Inclusion](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/access-inclusion.html) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/access-inclusion.html>] for more details or contact the Office of Access and Inclusion, WH-212; (254) 501-5836. Any information you provide is private and confidential.

**Success Coaching and Peer Mentoring:** Our experienced Success Coaches work one-on-one with students to develop personalized action plans, set academic goals, and build effective study strategies, time management skills, and resilience. Our Peer Mentors provide a valuable support system, offering guidance, encouragement, and a relatable perspective to help students navigate their academic and

personal challenges. For more details call 254-501-5836 or 254-501-5928 or visit [Academic Support](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html) [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html]. Click the link to schedule a session (virtual or in-person) with a success coach [bit.ly/3q7uB50](https://bit.ly/3q7uB50) or visit WH, 111.

**Testing Services:** We offer a secure and comfortable environment for students and members of the community to take courses and distance learning exams, as well as placement tests and professional certification exams. Our Testing Service also offers resources and support referrals for testing related challenges (test anxiety, learning disabilities, etc.) and supports all approved ADA accommodations. Call (254) 519-5830 or visit the [Testing Center](https://www.tamuct.edu/testing-center/) [https://www.tamuct.edu/testing-center/].

**Tutoring and Supplemental Instruction Services:** Our team of qualified Tutors and Supplemental Instructors assist students in various non-writing subjects, promoting academic comprehension and enhancing learning outcomes. Click the link to schedule a tutoring session with a TAMUCT tutor (virtual or in-person) or view tutor availability [bit.ly/43Q6wNz](https://bit.ly/43Q6wNz). You may also chat live with a remote tutor 24/7 for a variety of subjects through our partnership with Tutor.com, an online tutoring platform that is free to all TAMUCT students. To learn more please visit [Tutoring Services](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html#tutoring) [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/academic-support.html#tutoring] or call (254) 501-5836 or visit the Tutoring Hub in Warrior Hall, 111.

## Academic Integrity

Texas A&M University-Central Texas values the integrity of the academic enterprise and strives for the highest standards of academic conduct. A&M-Central Texas expects its students, faculty, and staff to support the adherence to high standards of personal and scholarly conduct to preserve the honor and integrity of the creative community. Any deviation by students from this expectation may result in a failing grade for the assignment and potentially a failing grade for the course. All academic misconduct concerns will be referred to the Student Conduct Office. When in doubt on collaboration, citation, or any issue, please contact your instructor before taking a course of action.

For more information regarding the [student conduct process](https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html), [https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-conduct.html].

If you know of potential honor violations by other students, you may [submit a referral](https://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?TAMUCentralTexas), [https://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?TAMUCentralTexas].

## Drop Policy

If you discover that you need to drop this class, you must complete the [Drop Request](#) Dynamic Form through Warrior Web.

[https://federation.ngwebsolutions.com/sp/startSSO.ping?PartnerIdpId=https://eis-prod.ec.tamuct.edu:443/samlssso&SpSessionAuthnAdapterId=tamuctDF&TargetResource=https%3a%2f%0502-4f36-be43-f02a4202f612].

Faculty cannot drop students; this is always the responsibility of the student. The Records and Admissions Office will provide a deadline on the Academic Calendar for which the form must be completed. Once you submit the completed form to the Records and Admissions Office, you must go into Warrior Web and confirm that you are no longer enrolled. If you still show as enrolled, FOLLOW-UP with the Records and Admissions Office immediately. You are to attend class until the procedure is complete to avoid penalty for

absence. Should you miss the drop deadline or fail to follow the procedure, you will receive an F in the course, which may affect your financial aid and/or VA educational benefits.

### **Pregnant and/or Parenting Students Rights and Accommodations**

Texas A&M University-Central Texas supports students who are pregnant, experiencing pregnancy-related conditions, and/or parenting. In accordance with requirements of [Title IX and related guidance from US Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights](#), the Associate Dean in the Division of Student Affairs, (254) 501-5909, can assist students who are pregnant, experiencing pregnancy-related conditions, and/or parenting by provide flexible and individualized reasonable accommodations. Students should seek out assistance as early in the pregnancy as possible through the [Pregnancy & Parenting webpage](#) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/pregnant-and-parenting-students.html>]. For more information, please visit [Student Affairs](#) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/pregnant-and-parenting-students.html>]. If you would like to read more about these [requirements and guidelines](#) online, please visit the website [<http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.pdf>].

[Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972](#) specifically prohibits discrimination against a student based on pregnancy, childbirth, false pregnancy, termination of pregnancy, or recovery from any of these conditions [<https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/pregnancy.html>].

Students experiencing any form of discrimination due to any of these conditions are encouraged to reach out to the Title IX Coordinator, 254.519.5716, [titleix@tamuct.edu](mailto:titleix@tamuct.edu), Founders Hall 317B, or the Associate Dean of Student Affairs, 254.501.5909, Warrior Hall 105.

### **Title IX Rights and Reporting Responsibilities**

Texas A&M University-Central Texas is committed to creating a safe and open learning environment for all students. If you or another student has experienced any form of gender discrimination or sexual misconduct, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, dating/domestic violence, and/or sex-based stalking, help and support are available. Our university strongly encourages all members of our campus community to report incidents and seek support for gender discrimination and sexual misconduct through the Title IX Office. You may contact the Title IX Office at 254.519.5716, [titleix@tamuct.edu](mailto:titleix@tamuct.edu), Founders Hall 317B, or learn more by visiting the [Title IX webpage](#) [<https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html>].

Please be aware that that under [Title IX](#), [Texas Senate Bill 212](#), and [System Regulation 08.01.01](#), [<https://policies.tamus.edu/08-01-01.pdf>] all university employees are mandated reporters and are required to disclose information about suspected or alleged violations as listed above and defined in System Regulation 08.01.01. If the Title IX Office receives information about an incident, they will reach out to offer information about resources, rights, and procedural options as a member of the campus community. Although I have an obligation to report, you will, in most cases, control how your case will be handled. When working with the Title IX Office you will have access to resources and accommodations but also have the opportunity to express if you wish to move forward with an investigation. Our goal is to make sure you are aware of the options available to you as a student. Community members are not required to respond to this outreach.

If you or another student wishes to speak to a confidential employee who does not have this reporting responsibility, you can contact the [Student Wellness & Counseling Center](#), [<https://www.tamuct.edu/student-affairs/student-counseling.html>], 254.501.5955, or [swacc@tamuct.edu](mailto:swacc@tamuct.edu), located in Warrior Hall Room 207L or the Student Support Advocate, 254.501.5978 or [ssa@tamuct.edu](mailto:ssa@tamuct.edu), located in founder Hall Room 317D.

### **University Library & Archives**

The University Library & Archives provides many services in support of research across campus and at a distance. We offer over 350 electronic databases containing approximately 1,203,947 eBooks and 134,750 journals, in addition to the 96,879 items in our print collection, which can be mailed to students who live more than 50 miles from campus. Research guides for each subject taught at A&M-Central Texas are



available through our website to help students navigate these resources. On campus, the library offers technology including cameras, laptops, microphones, webcams, and digital sound recorders.

Research assistance from a librarian is also available 24 hours a day through our online chat service, and at the reference desk when the library is open. Research sessions can be scheduled for more comprehensive assistance, and may take place virtually through WebEx, Microsoft Teams or in-person at the library.

[Schedule an appointment here](#)

[<https://tamuct.libcal.com/appointments>]. Assistance may cover many topics, including how to find articles in peer-reviewed journals, how to cite resources, and how to piece together research for written assignments.

Our 27,000-square-foot facility on the A&M-Central Texas main campus includes student lounges, private study rooms, group workspaces, computer labs, family areas suitable for all ages, and many other features. Services such as interlibrary loan, TexShare, binding, and laminating are available. The library frequently offers workshops, tours, readings, and other events. For more information, please visit our [Library website](#)

[<https://tamuct.libguides.com/index>]

### University Writing Center

Located in Warrior Hall 416 and online, the University Writing Center (UWC) at Texas A&M University–Central Texas (A&M–Central Texas) is a free service open to all A&M–Central Texas students. The face-to-face hours of operation are from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Monday and Thursday in Warrior Hall 416. Online tutoring is available Monday thru Thursday from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and from 6:00-9:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 12:00-3:00 p.m.

Tutors are prepared to help writers of all levels and abilities at any stage of the writing process. While tutors will not write, edit, or grade papers, they will assist students in developing more effective composing practices. By providing a practice audience for students' ideas and writing, our tutors highlight the ways in which they read and interpret students' texts, offering guidance and support throughout the various stages of the writing process. In addition, students may work independently in the UWC by checking out a laptop that runs the Microsoft Office suite and connects to WIFI, or by consulting our resources on writing, including all of the relevant style guides. Whether you need help brainstorming ideas, organizing an essay, proofreading, understanding proper citation practices, or just want a quiet place to work, the UWC is here to help!

Students may arrange a one-to-one session with a trained and experienced writing tutor by making an appointment via [WConline](#) [<https://tamuct.mywconline.com/>]. In addition, you can email Dr. Bruce Bowles Jr. at [bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu](mailto:bruce.bowles@tamuct.edu) if you have any questions about the UWC, need any assistance with scheduling, or would like to schedule a recurring appointment with your favorite tutor.

## OTHER POLICY STATEMENTS

### A Note about Sexual Violence at A&M-Central Texas

Sexual violence is a serious safety, social justice, and public health issue. The university offers support for anyone struggling with these issues. University faculty are mandated reporters, so if someone discloses that they were sexually assaulted (or a victim of Domestic/Dating Violence or Stalking) while a student at TAMUCT, faculty members are required to inform the Title IX Office. If you want to discuss any of these issues confidentially, you can do so through Student Wellness and Counseling (254-501-5955) located on the second floor of Warrior Hall (207L).



**Sexual violence can occur on our campus because predators often feel emboldened, and victims often feel silenced or shamed. It is incumbent on ALL of us to find ways to actively create environments that tell predators we don't agree with their behaviors and tell survivors we will support them. Your actions matter. Don't be a bystander; be an agent of change. For additional information on campus policy and resources visit the [Title IX webpage \[https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html\]](https://www.tamuct.edu/compliance/titleix.html).**

### **Behavioral Intervention**

**Texas A&M University-Central Texas cares about the safety, health, and well-being of its students, faculty, staff, and community. If you are aware of individuals for whom you have a concern, please make a referral to the Behavioral Intervention Team. Referring your concern shows you care. You can complete the [referral](https://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?TAMUCentralTexas) online**

**[<https://cm.maxient.com/reporting.php?TAMUCentralTexas>].**

**Anonymous referrals are accepted. Please see the [Behavioral Intervention Team](https://www.tamuct.edu/bit) website for more information [<https://www.tamuct.edu/bit>]. If a person's behavior poses an imminent threat to you or another, contact 911 or A&M-Central Texas University Police at 254-501-5805.**