Course Information
Division: Humanities and Social Sciences
Contact Hours: 45
Total Credits: 3

Prerequisites
RDG 090 and ENGL 090 or qualifying scores on accepted placement tests

Course Description
Music Theory I will examine the basic knowledge and skills of music theory in order that the student can understand and analyze musical compositions, write music in several classical styles and transcribe music played on a keyboard. The knowledge that the course will teach includes understanding the concepts and experiencing aurally the following: pitches, intervals, all types of triadic and seventh chords, voice leading, cadences and musical form. The ability to read and express music obtained from prior formal music instruction is essential for success in this course.

Course Outcomes
In order to evidence success in this course, the students will be able to:

1. Identify types of and functions of chords
2. Recognize forms
3. Recognize intervals
4. Demonstrate the ability to write music from dictation
5. Demonstrate the ability to analyze a piece of tonal music
6. Demonstrate the ability to write his/her own short composition
7. Demonstrate the ability to identify types and functions of chords aurally
8. Demonstrate the ability to appreciate composes’ musical intentions
9. Demonstrate the ability to appreciate the art of composition

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