Westminster College
Brass Masterclass
MUS 600M 04
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Class Meetings: Tuesday afternoons (check posted schedule!)

Course Credit: 1 credit

Catalog Description:
Study, rehearsal, and performance of standard brass literature. Students are encouraged to write or arrange music for this ensemble - any piece written will be performed in class. Many “brass playing” topics as well as “musical” topics will be discussed during the course of this class.

Course Philosophy:
The goal of this course is to expose students to repertoire composed for and/or arranged for brass. Students will perform in a group setting.

Evaluation Process and Attendance Policy:
This is a performance ensemble. Students will be graded on attendance, music preparation and participation in a final public performance.

Attendance/Music Preparation (15 pts each class) 90%
Performance 10%

Daily practice is your homework for this class!

Attendance is expected. Excused absences must be submitted in writing (via email) to the instructor a week in advance for approval. You will receive a written response either granting or denying your request. Any absence not approved by the instructor is considered an unexcused absence. NOTE: Unexcused absences WILL affect your final evaluation. An unexcused absences will lower your final semester grade by one full letter grade. Tardiness to a rehearsal will result in a loss of 10 of 15 points towards that day’s rehearsal.