

# UVA McIntire Department of Music

## Horn Ensemble Syllabus

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### Description & Goals:

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The Horn Ensemble at UVA will be a place for horn students to share and celebrate the joy of horn playing while learning to play together as a group. Horn Ensemble will be centered around the idea of Health and Beauty First to make sure that everyone feels physically, mentally, and musically their best while playing horn. To that end:

- Students will participate in group warm-ups including but not limited to: breathing exercises, intonation exercises, long tones, and scales
- Repertoire will be provided by me, but voted upon by the group. Students can suggest, compose, or arrange music for the ensemble to read.
- Students will rotate parts so that everyone gets a taste of all the distinct roles that the horn gets to fill in the ensemble setting.
- Horn Ensemble will be a place for curiosity, exploration, and growth. It's OK to make mistakes!

### Schedule:

Horn Ensemble will meet weekly at a time to be determined by me and participating students.

### Grading:

Grading will be based on attendance and participation. Grades are not based on playing music "correctly." Rather, students will be graded on their general progress throughout the semester, willingness to experiment, and preparation between each meeting.

### Materials:

Music will be provided by me. All students will need to bring a pencil, metronome, and tuner to rehearsals.

**The Honor Code:**

The Honor Code will be strictly enforced. For more information, read the following link thoroughly: <http://www.virginia.edu/honor/>

**Statement on Safety:** The McIntire Department of Music is committed to providing a safe and equitable learning environment for all students, and holds the following two values as critically important:

Power-based personal violence will not be tolerated.

Everyone has a responsibility to do their part to maintain a safe community on Grounds.

Please know that as a faculty member, I support a safe and violence-free campus. If you or someone you know has been affected by power-based personal violence, more information can be found at <http://www.virginia.edu/sexualviolence/>, which describes reporting options and the many available resources for support. A link is given for reporting misconduct through the university's Title IX process.

If you have concerns or questions, you can approach any faculty or staff member of the music department, or any of these offices:

ODOS Dean on Call: (434) 924-7133;

[DeanofStudents@virginia.edu](mailto:DeanofStudents@virginia.edu)

CAPS (individual counseling) : Day time – (434) 243-5150; After hours – (434) 972-7004 SARA  
24-hr Sexual Assault Hotline: (434) 977-7273

University Women's Center: (434) 982-2252

Campus Police → Call 911 for emergencies or (434) 924-8843