

**NorthWest Arkansas Community College**  
**Division of Communication and Arts**  
**Music Department**

**Course Number and Title**

MUSI 1003H, Music Appreciation, Honors

**Catalog Description**

Introduction to academic study of Western classical music. Students will gain experience in guided listening critical thinking about musical cultures and their roles in society. This is an honors course. Please refer to the NWACC Honors Program section in the current catalog for more information.

**Prerequisites**

None required. However, this is not one of the courses that can be taken without a demonstrated reading proficiency.

**Credit hours/Contact hours/Load hours**

3 Credit / 3 Contact / 3 Load

**Target Audience and Transfer**

This course is designed as a general introduction to the art of music for all transfer students. It is also a required course for music majors at most four-year institutions. The course is also structured to appeal to community members who want a college-level experience in music literature.

**Learning Outcomes**

Students completing this course will

- Demonstrate knowledge of the historical periods of music history.
- Recognize orchestral instruments and standard musical ensembles.
- Utilize the elements of music in basic aural analysis
- Prove competence in the use of a basic list of basic musical terms.
- Show familiarity with local arts venues

**Topics**

Elements, Standard ensembles, Historical periods and styles, Musical theatre, Opera, Non-Western styles

**Forms of Assessment**

Tests, evaluation of individual and group assignments, in-class discussion of concert experiences. Instructors of this course will meet yearly to chart selected results from various sections for assessment purposes.