

MUSI20134 Melbourne Big Band 1

Credit Points:	12.50
Level:	2 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2010.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: One 2-hour rehearsal each week, 1 two-hour rehearsal per week, up to 3 public performances per semester, one concert report writing workshop at the beginning of the semester, attendance at 3 public concerts during semester Total Time Commitment: 120 hours
Prerequisites:	The minimum level of performance required for this ensemble would be equivalent to AMEB grade 8 or a very high grade for VCE solo or group performance. An audition is required.
Corequisites:	N/A
Recommended Background Knowledge:	N/A
Non Allowed Subjects:	Not available to BMus students
Core Participation Requirements:	It is University policy to take all reasonable steps to minimise the impact of disability upon academic study, and reasonable adjustments will be made to enhance a student's participation in the University's programs. Students who feel their disability will impact on meeting the requirements of this subject are encouraged to discuss this matter with a Faculty Student Adviser and the Disability Liaison Unit.
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Subject Overview:	The Big Band comprises 5 saxophones, 5 trumpets, 4 trombones, piano, bass, guitar and drums. Occasionally other instruments are employed for special projects, and for some concerts singers are also used. All positions are auditioned at the start of each year, and the timetable works so that students can take Big Band as well as Wind Ensemble or Orchestra. Each year the band performs at a range of venues including regular appearances at Wangaratta Jazz Festival. The music played covers a range of styles from the 30s to today, as well as student arrangements and compositions, and all students are encouraged to improvise.
Objectives:	On completion of this subject students should be able to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # show technical development as ensemble musicians # participate with ability and self-confidence as a team member of a performing group # perform selected repertoire to concert standard # identify and exhibit specific knowledge of a range of ensemble repertoire # exhibit an informed respect for the values and principles of ensemble performance.
Assessment:	Punctual attendance at all rehearsals and participation in performances as directed (50%); a 10-minute practical test in the middle of the semester (25%); attendance and submission of a concert report of three appropriate concerts (500 words each, due weeks 4, 8 and 12) (25%). Less than 80% attendance will result in a fail. All assessment components must be passed in order to pass the subject, including the timely, satisfactory completion of all three concert reports.
Prescribed Texts:	None

Breadth Options:	<p>This subject potentially can be taken as a breadth subject component for the following courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # <u>Bachelor of Arts</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-ARTS) # <u>Bachelor of Biomedicine</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-BMED) # <u>Bachelor of Commerce</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-COM) # <u>Bachelor of Environments</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-ENVS) # <u>Bachelor of Science</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/B-SCI) # <u>Bachelor of Engineering</u> (https://handbook.unimelb.edu.au/view/2010/355AA) <p>You should visit <u>learn more about breadth subjects</u> (http://breadth.unimelb.edu.au/breadth/info/index.html) and read the breadth requirements for your degree, and should discuss your choice with your student adviser, before deciding on your subjects.</p>
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<p>On completion of this subject students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> # demonstrate a capacity to think critically and independently # study selected repertoire relevant to the ensemble to performance standard # apply time and people management skills to rehearsal and performance planning # demonstrate teamwork skills in rehearsal/performance groups # enhance their musical and professional lives as informed concert goers
Links to further information:	http://www.music.unimelb.edu.au/about/breadth/index.html