

## MUSI30077 Improvisation-African American Jazz

<b>Credit Points:</b>	6.25
<b>Level:</b>	3 (Undergraduate)
<b>Dates &amp; Locations:</b>	2010, Southbank This subject commences in the following study period/s: March, Southbank - Taught on campus. Semester 2, Southbank - Taught on campus.
<b>Time Commitment:</b>	Contact Hours: 12 hours per semester Total Time Commitment: 12 hours contact & 12 hours study per semester
<b>Prerequisites:</b>	None
<b>Corequisites:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Background Knowledge:</b>	None
<b>Non Allowed Subjects:</b>	None
<b>Core Participation Requirements:</b>	For the purposes of considering request for Reasonable Adjustments under the Disability Standards for Education (Cwth 2005), and Students Experiencing Academic Disadvantage Policy, academic requirements for this subject are articulated in the Subject Description, Subject Objectives, Generic Skills and Assessment Requirements of this entry. The University is dedicated to provide support to those with special requirements. Further details on the disability support scheme can be found at the Disability Liaison Unit website: <a href="http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/">http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/</a>
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<b>Subject Overview:</b>	This subject focuses primarily on the history of the African American Jazz tradition. It also has a practical component where students are expected to demonstrate various skills on their instrument and show an understanding of relevant concepts pertaining to the performance of African American Jazz. The practical aspect of this subject will happen within the small ensemble.
<b>Objectives:</b>	On completion of this subject students should have acquired <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li># an ability to understand and perform a select body of wellknown works taken from the African-American jazz idiom;</li> <li># the ability to grasp current musical languages used in the idiom and apply them practically;</li> <li># a reasonable knowledge of the relevant recordings available;</li> <li># the skills to discern between the various genres which purport to come under the banner of jazz.</li> </ul>
<b>Assessment:</b>	Continuous: Preparation and commitment as demonstrated by performance tasks and/or a regularly updated journal of activities embracing all areas studied (50%) - Hurdle requirement 80% attendance. Formal: One performance of approximately 15 minutes duration.
<b>Prescribed Texts:</b>	None
<b>Recommended Texts:</b>	None
<b>Breadth Options:</b>	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
<b>Fees Information:</b>	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, <a href="http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees">http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees</a>

<b>Generic Skills:</b>	<p>Upon completion of this subject students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exhibit extensive theoretical and practical knowledge of their discipline including relevant professional knowledge, skills, discipline and ethics as they relate to the practising musician</li> <li>• Demonstrate an open and independent attitude towards contemporary cultural developments</li> <li>• Demonstrate a flexible and innovative approach to the challenges for the professional musician in the 21st century</li> <li>• Critically and creatively engage with topics of cultural significance across the broader community</li> <li>• Work at various levels, both individually and as a team member, in a wide variety of musical environments</li> <li>• Understand and appreciate how the arts connect with the broader society and culture</li> <li>• Be prepared to undertake postgraduate study.</li> </ul>
<b>Related Course(s):</b>	<p>Bachelor of Music Performance (Guitar) (VCA)          Bachelor of Music Performance (Improvisation) (VCA)          Bachelor of Music Performance (Keyboard) (VCA)          Bachelor of Music Performance - Practical Composition-(VCA)          Bachelor of Music Performance(Orchestral Instruments) (VCA)</p>