

MUSI30083 Afro-American Percussion

Credit Points:	6.25
Level:	3 (Undergraduate)
Dates & Locations:	This subject is not offered in 2012.
Time Commitment:	Contact Hours: 12 hours per semester Total Time Commitment: 12 hours contact & 12 hours study per semester
Prerequisites:	None
Corequisites:	None
Recommended Background Knowledge:	None
Non Allowed Subjects:	None
Core Participation Requirements:	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: http://www.services.unimelb.edu.au/disability/
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Subject Overview:	This module give participants the opportunity for an in-depth practical study of percussion techniques and repertoire. The material is based on African derived drumming which over the centuries has continued to develop and flourish in the American continent. Classes will cover techniques on a variety of percussion instruments, the role of the various instruments in the ensemble, historical background and improvisation styles. The ensemble will rehearse and prepare material conducted and unconduted, suitable for public performance or recording.
Objectives:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> # to identify a variety of rhythms and styles associated with Afro-American musical culture; # to identify and perform selected rhythmic patterns on a variety of instruments; # to gain an understanding of polyrhythmic activity in ensemble playing.
Assessment:	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 or recording (50%).
Prescribed Texts:	None
Recommended Texts:	None
Breadth Options:	This subject is not available as a breadth subject.
Fees Information:	Subject EFTSL, Level, Discipline & Census Date, http://enrolment.unimelb.edu.au/fees
Generic Skills:	<p>Upon completion of this subject students should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibit extensive theoretical and practical knowledge of their discipline including relevant professional knowledge, skills, discipline and ethics as they relate to the practising musician • Demonstrate an open and independent attitude towards contemporary cultural developments • Demonstrate a flexible and innovative approach to the challenges for the professional musician in the 21st century

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Critically and creatively engage with topics of cultural significance across the broader community• Work at various levels, both individually and as a team member, in a wide variety of musical environments• Understand and appreciate how the arts connect with the broader society and culture• Be prepared to undertake postgraduate study.
Related Course(s):	Bachelor of Music Performance Bachelor of Music Performance (Guitar) (VCA) Bachelor of Music Performance (Improvisation) (VCA) Bachelor of Music Performance (Keyboard) (VCA) Bachelor of Music Performance(Orchestral Instruments) (VCA)