

Fall 2026

## **MUS APPL N320/1320/3320/6320 Applied Clarinet**

### **Course Description:**

Private applied music instruction in clarinet for students pursuing a degree in music.

### **Course Level Learning Outcomes:**

Applied instruction is professional training in both clarinet specific and general music skills. Beyond this, you will learn how to organize your time and operate within the professional world. You will be taught to work as a professional to the best of your ability. This includes learning how to effectively prepare for professional work, keep an organized schedule, and work successfully with others. Students at all course levels are directed towards the following outcomes, tailored to individual skill levels and interests.

#### **Outcomes for students enrolled for 1 credit hour:**

- Students will study a variety of clarinet repertoire, including solo works, etudes, scales, and other exercises.
- Students will improve their playing through the study of clarinet rudiments, including breath support and usage, embouchure, voicing, hand position, and articulation.
- Students will study the correct interpretation of musical styles from various historical periods.
- Students will learn to identify musical structures to construct logical interpretations of repertoire.
- Students will be encouraged to grow creatively. They will learn to independently build their own interpretation of works based on knowledge of traditional musical structures along with their own emotional connection to the repertoire.
- Students will learn the correct etiquette for working as a professional musician, including professional behavior, communication skills, and stage presence.

#### **Additional outcomes for students enrolled for 2 credit hours:**

- Students will study and develop performance skills by actively participating in and observing performances in weekly studio classes, weekly woodwind seminars, and required recitals.
- Students will learn practice skills and organization through lesson reflections and other assignments.

#### **Additional outcomes for students enrolled for 3 credit hours:**

- Students will broaden their understanding of the clarinet's repertoire through the study of chamber music, orchestral excerpts, and/or extended techniques.

- Students will understand the history of the clarinet and its repertoire through research assignments.

### **Course Outline**

- Each student receives a weekly one-on-one clarinet lesson. Curriculum and semester requirements are set in consultation with each student, depending on major and academic level.
- Students complete four assignments via eLearning:
  - Assignment 1: Semester Goals and Expectations Assignment
  - Assignment 2: Repertoire Research Assignment
  - Assignment 3: Midterm Scale Exam Assignment
  - Assignment 4: Semester Goal Review Assignment
- Students perform a semester performance exam, or jury, during finals week.
- Additional Requirements for 2 and 3 credit hour students:
  - Students attend a weekly performance class where we cover larger topics like clarinet technique, musicianship skills, and performing skills.
  - Students are required to attend 8 musical performances each semester, along with any performance by a clarinet faculty member or student.

### **Required Materials**

- JB Albert: *24 Varied Scales and Exercises*
- C. Rose: *32 Etudes and 40 Studies for Clarinet*
- R. Kell: *Clarinet Staccato from the Beginning*
- Clarinet concerti, sonatas, and unaccompanied works from the 17<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup> centuries

### **Assessment**

- Students will receive a grade for each individual lesson. Students are graded on preparation, completion of assignments, and understanding of the material.
- Students receive grades for four assignments listed above.
- Students receive grades for their final performance exam, or jury.
- 2 and 3 credit hour students earn points for attending and participating in studio class and attending required recitals.