Cumberland County College

**Course:** MU 162, 163, 262, 263 Applied Music - Voice

**Credits:** 1

**Prerequisites**
None

**Description**
Private instruction in voice is designed to develop musicianship and technical proficiency, and to further the ability to sight read and to assimilate music without guidance. This course is designed for music majors desiring to prepare for a vocal audition to a four year college. This course is also designed for the student seeking to learn to sing for personal enjoyment.

**Learning Outcomes**
- Sing with correct rhythm, correct pitches, accurate intonation articulation, dynamics, phrasing, and expression appropriate to the literature being studied and diction appropriate to lyrics of the literature.
- Sing in a stylistically appropriate manner suitable to the genre, period and style of the literature.
- Memorize performance literature when appropriate to the performance medium and artistic tradition.
- Sight read music appropriate to this level.

**Topical Outline**
- Correct usage of the diaphragm and deep breathing.
- Support of tone production and freedom from tension.
- Formation of pure vowels using the articulators: the tongue, lips, jaw, teeth, hard palate and the soft palate.
- Vocal timbre (tone quality - steady, rich, resonant, sympathetic, thin, nasal, etc.)
- Vibrato control - the pulse or wave in a sustained or straight tone.
- Voice placement - lower and upper registers.
- Learn proper stage deportment for correct stage presence.
- Summarize all of the above to reproduce beautiful vocal literature that is aesthetically pleasing both to the singer and the listener.
- Perform in the student recital at the end of the semester (music majors only).

**Required Texts and Other Materials**
Repertoire based on the student’s ability.

**Academic Integrity**
Plagiarism is cheating. Plagiarism is presenting in written work, in public speaking, and in oral reports the ideas or exact words of someone else without proper documentation.
Whether the act of plagiarism is deliberate or accidental [ignorance of the proper rules for handling material is no excuse], plagiarism is, indeed, a “criminal” offense. As such, a plagiarized paper or report automatically receives a grade of **ZERO** and the student may receive a grade of **F** for the semester at the discretion of the instructor.

**Available Resources**
If you are having difficulty with work in this class, tutoring is available through the Success Center. If you think that you might have a learning disability, contact Project Assist at 856.691.8600, x1282 for information on assistance that can be provided to eligible students.

**Before Withdrawing From This Course**
If a student experiences adverse circumstances while enrolled in this course and considers withdrawing, s/he should see an advisor (division or advisement center) **BEFORE** withdrawing from the class. A withdrawal may cause harmful repercussions to completion rate standards and overall GPA which can limit or eliminate future financial aid in addition to causing academic suspension.