

# Applied French Horn Syllabus – Fall 2021

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Class Time: By appointment

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## Course Objectives

Students will develop a healthy practice habit that focuses on troubleshooting, fundamentals, technique, and musicality. Students are expected to build a warm-up routine that is conducive to their goals and personal issues on the horn. Students will learn how to perform solo repertoire, etudes, and orchestral excerpts with solid fundamentals, technique, and musicality. Students will become familiar with, and gain proficiency in, transposing in the keys of E, Eb, D, C, Bb alto and basso, and H in the context of orchestral excerpts and etudes. They will be measured on their mastery of the repertoire by performing for their instructor for a grade in their lessons, recital performances, and a jury at the end of the semester. Students will develop a sense of musical independence and learn strategies for troubleshooting issues that arise in weekly practice sessions. Students will be responsible for forming their own musical ideas and implementing them in the context of their assigned repertoire.

## Course Requirements

Students will practice 6-8 hours minimum per week on the horn. Students will build a warm-up routine that is to be played daily before they begin their practice session. Students will come to lessons prepared and will demonstrate improvement on a weekly basis.

## Required Materials

Kopprasch - Sixty Selected Studies for French Horn (Books One and Two)

Maxime Alphonse - Book One

Other materials may be provided by instructor

## Grading

Performance in Lessons – 70%

Recital Performance – 15%

Jury – 15%

## Attendance

Students are expected to attend every weekly lesson. Any absence for a lesson should be communicated with the instructor with at least 24 hours' notice, if possible. Excused absences include illness, death in the family, or a school-sanctioned conflict.

## Conduct Statement

Behavior that interferes with either the instructor's ability to conduct the class or the ability of other students to benefit from the instruction will result in the instructor's removing the

disruptive student(s) from the class, either temporarily or permanently (instructor drop), and receive a final lower grade, up to an F. In addition, and depending on the nature of the behavior or conduct, the student(s) may be subject to further disciplinary actions as per MSU policy.

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