

# N: Course Content

#### Vocal techniques

Breath support, phonation, resonance, diction (vowel and consonant formation), various visual and physical techniques to encourage healthy singing.

### Ensemble techniques

Choral blend, intonation, understanding conducting gestures.

### Repertoire

Standard choral repertoire from all historical periods; works in various languages (most commonly Latin, German, French and Italian as well as English) will be prepared, with appropriate attention given to correct pronunciation. Each work will be performed in an appropriate style.

**O:** Methods of Instruction

Rehearsal and performance.

P: Textbooks and Materials to be Purchased by Students

Students may be required to purchase one or more of the scores used during the semester.

## Q: Means of Assessment

Grades are based on the students' regular preparation for rehearsals, attentiveness and effort during rehearsals, and musical contribution to the ensemble. Frequently during the semester, certain passages of music are assigned to be learned for an upcoming rehearsal, during which solo quartets (one singer per part) are heard by the instructor in private. Students are graded on their achriate 72ars

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