

PAPER OUTLINE 2011

Paper Code & Title: CMPO 211 Music Programming and Instrument Design for Live Electronics

Year: 2011 **Points:** 15

CRN: 15551 Trimester: 2/3 Campus: NZSM - VUW Kelburn

Key dates: Teaching dates: 11 July–14 October 2011

Mid-trimester break: 22 August-4 September 2011

Study week: 17-21 October 2011

Exam/Assessment period: 21 October-12 November 2011

(where applicable) NB: For courses with exams, students must be available

to attend the exam at any time during this period.

Withdrawal dates: Information on withdrawals and refunds may be found at: http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/admisenrol/payments/withd

rawlsrefunds.aspx

Prerequisites: B- or better in CMPO 101, CMPO 110

Corequisites: None

Restrictions: *NZSM 204, NZSM 202*

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Class times/rooms: Monday, Thursday, 1:40pm-3:00pm (Room MSEMS4)
Workshop times/rooms: Wednesdays, 3:10pm-4:30pm (Adam Concert Room)

Tutorial times/rooms: TBA

Classes with tutorials:

Tutorials commence in the second week of the trimester. Groups will be posted on Blackboard and/or on the noticeboard outside the office on the NZSM Kelburn Campus at the start of Week 2.

PAPER PRESCRIPTION

Creative application of intermediate concepts in the development of a live electronics performance practice, including training in computer music programming, instrument design and concepts of "performativity" as they apply to the domain of sonic arts.

COURSE CONTENT & DELIVERY

This course comprises two 1.5-hour lectures per week and one 1.5-hour workshop per week. During workshops, classes will come together to listen to student performances, as well as presentations by staff and guest artists. There is also a Sonic Arts Extra Help Tutorial Session for students who need extra help.

This course provides an introduction to Digital Signal Processing (DSP) theory with software design/implementation and strategies. We will discuss digital signal processing concepts and their practical applications in sound synthesis, music analysis and real-time interactive systems. The course will also discuss Audio feature extraction and introductory applications using machine learning. The course will also present advanced methods using the Chuck programming language. Elements of Visual Programming will be discussed using the Processing Language. Final projects will include compositions, live interactive performance, or technical reports.

Week 1: Introduction to Graphical User Interface Design (GUI)

Week 2: Networking Introduction

Week 3: Synthesis Techniques

Week 4: Introduction to MIDI

Week 5: Introduction to Fourier Analysis

Week 6: Pitch Detection in Fourier Domain

Week 7: Manipulation of Images and Video

Week 8: Particle System Driven Visuals

Week 9: Project Proposals

Week 10: Project Workshops

Week 11: Project Workshops

Week 12: Student Final Project Presentation

See attached course syllabus for more information.

READINGS, MATERIALS & EQUIPMENT

G. Wang. The Chuck Audio Programming Language. PhD Dissertation. Princeton University, 2008.

Reference: http://chuck.cs.princeton.edu

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students who have successfully completed this paper will:

- 1. successfully propose, plan, develop and present a work of sonic art
- 2. reflect upon and articulate the progress of their work to their supervisor and peers
- 3. demonstrate knowledge and skills in the creative use of music technology and the application of key creative techniques
- 4. show understanding of the creative processes / strategies associated with sonic art, and have developed a critical awareness of their own work.

ASSESSMENT

Approved assessment regime

The following assessment regime for this paper has been approved by the NZSM Academic Committee:

Creative projects using music technology (60%) Short assignments (20%) Project proposal and report (10%)

Electronic Performance (5%) Class contribution (5%)

Assessment details for this offering

Assessment name	Learning outcome(s)	Due date	% of final grade
Assignment 1	1,3,4	July 18, 2011	10
Assignment 2	1,3,4	July 25, 2011	10
Assignment 3	1,3,4	August 1, 2011	10
Assignment 4	1,3,4	August 8, 2011	10
Assignment 5	1,3,4	August 15, 2011	10
Assignment 6	1,3,4	September 12, 2011	10
Assignment 7	1,3,4	October 9, 2011	20
Class Contribution	2,4	Throughout the Trimester	5
Project Proposal and Report	1,2,3,4	September 26, 2011	10
Final Project Presentation/Performance	1,2,3,4	October 9, 2011	5

LATE PENALTIES

Assignments must be submitted by the due dates. In fairness to other students, unless a medical certificate is produced, assessment submitted after 5:00pm on the due date will be subject to a 5% demerit on your grade, increasing by 5% each further working day it is overdue.

Students, who for exceptional reasons can justify an extension for an item of assessment, must apply to the course co-ordinator <u>before</u> the due date. Please note that NO extensions can be granted for tutorial assignments.

DEPOSIT AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENT

Assignments should be deposited via Blackboard. Marked assignments will be returned via Blackboard.

SCALING OF GRADES

To obtain a fair distribution of marks relative to assignment difficulty, scaling may be employed on some or all assessment items, in accordance with guidelines set out in the VUW Assessment Handbook:

http://www.victoria.ac.nz/home/about_victoria/avcacademic/publications/assessment-handbook.pdf

ASSIGNMENT PRESENTATION

Written work should be presented according to the guidelines set out in the **NZSM Guidelines for Academic Work**, which can be downloaded as a PDF document from the NZSM Website http://www.nzsm.ac.nz/study/programmes.aspx (in the right-hand column). Five percent (5%) will be deducted for written work that does not conform to these standards.

Sonic Arts work should be submitted as a clearly labelled Audio CD, or, for multimedia works, as a DVD or as a Quicktime data file on a data CD-ROM.

MANDATORY PAPER REQUIREMENTS

To gain a pass in this course each student must:

- a) Complete each item of assessment worth at least 10% specified for this course (subject to penalties for late submission of work).
- b) Attend at least 80% of lectures and 80% of tutorials (if relevant) related to this course.
- c) Attend at least 9 of the Composer Workshops held during the term of enrolment in this paper.
- If, for health reasons, you are unable to complete all the work required for assessment purposes for this paper by 12 November, you may, on presentation of a medical certificate, have the date for submission extended by the Director, NZSM.

EXPECTED WORKLOAD

A 15-point second-trimester paper should require at least 150 hours work (including class time). This means that in term time, the midterm break and study week you should be prepared to spend on average 10 hours per week involved in activities such as attending classes, reading, listening to recommended recordings and preparing assignments.

COMMUNICATION OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/INFORMATION ON CHANGES

Official notices issued after the paper has commenced will be posted on the board outside the NZSM office on the Kelburn Campus. Notices concerning a number of papers will also be posted on Blackboard. The Paper Co-ordinator will specify if Blackboard will be used.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Student representatives for the NZSM are elected in the first week of the trimester, and their names and contact details will be available to VUWSA and/or MAWSA, the Course Co-ordinator and to each class.

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PLAGIARISM

Academic integrity means that university staff and students, in their teaching and learning, are expected to treat others honestly, fairly and with respect at all times. It is not acceptable to mistreat academic, intellectual or creative work that has been done by other people by representing it as your own original work.

Academic integrity is important because it is the core value on which the University's learning, teaching and research activities are based. The NZSM's reputation for academic integrity adds value to your qualification.

The NZSM defines plagiarism as presenting someone else's work as if it were your own, whether you mean to or not. 'Someone else's work' means anything that is not your own idea. Even if it is presented in your own style, you must acknowledge your sources fully and appropriately. This includes:

- Material from books, journals or any other printed source
- The work of other students or staff
- Information from the internet
- Software programs and other electronic material
- Designs and ideas
- The organisation or structuring of any such material.

Find out more about plagiarism, how to avoid it, and penalties, on the NZSM website: http://www.nzsm.ac.nz/about/statutes-policies.aspx#plagiarism

GENERAL NZSM POLICIES AND STATUTES

Students should familiarise themselves with the NZSM's policies and statutes, especially those regarding Personal Courses of Study, Academic Grievances, Staff and Student Conduct. Please see http://www.nzsm.ac.nz/about/statutes-policies.aspx

For any statutes relating to the particular qualifications being studied, see either the *Massey University Calendar* or the *Victoria University Calendar*.

Information about Student Services, including Academic Mentoring for Māori and Pacific Students, and support for Students with Disabilities, is to be found in the *NZSM Student Handbook* (available from the NZSM offices on each campus).

EVENTS

Regular events are held during trimesters 1 & 2 at all NZSM campuses. These events are for the benefit of all students, and include performances, masterclasses, special lectures and workshops given by staff, students and visiting artists.

All students are expected to read the NZSM website for the latest events listings, and keep time free to attend the weekly lunchtime concert on Friday at 12:10pm, along with other events as required. Students should sign up to the **Dawn Chorus**, the NZSM's events e-newsletter, by emailing events @nzsm.ac.nz with "subscribe dawn chorus" in the subject line.

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