

SYLLABUS

COURSE	Music 124: Choral Union																								
INSTRUCTOR	David Rayl																								
MEETINGS	W, 7:00-9:00 pm, 147 Comm Arts & Sciences Bldg																								
DESCRIPTION	The MSU Choral Union is designed to bring the campus and community together in a corporate musical effort. Repertoire focuses on the major choral/orchestral works of every stylistic period. By participation in this ensemble students will develop basic musical skills (pitch accuracy, intonation, tone quality, sight-singing) and develop increased knowledge, a better understanding, and an enhanced appreciation of choral music through performances of the world's greatest choral literature.																								
DRESS	Singers have two options for concert apparel: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Option #1<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Black dressy shirt/top with cap sleeves or longer.○ Black long dress pants (no leggings), floor-length dress or skirt○ Black socks or hose with closed-toe black shoes.• Option #2<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Black sport or suit coat.○ Black shirt with black tie.○ Black dress slacks.○ Black dress shoes and black socks																								
SCORES	Music will be provided at no charge this semester. Each singer must provide a <u>black folder or binder</u> for performance. No one will be allowed to share music in the performance.																								
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