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Dr. Jody Graves; X6490 T-Th 12:10-1:00 pm Piano Lab, Room 202 (Office Hours by Appt.; X207)

Text: Group Piano for Adults, Bk. 2; (Alfred Music Publishers)

Welcome to Piano in Class! This is a wonderful opportunity to learn and become more proficient on the piano. This semester is a continuation of the materials you covered in MUS 116. This class will consist of:

- harmonization (adding secondary chords)
- improvisation
- score-reading (SATB)
- sight-reading
- repertoire
- accompanying skills
- technique, including scales & arpeggios

Goals: You are expected to practice a minimum of 30 minutes per day in order to stay current with the class materials. This is not a class you can "cram" for, as the primary goal is to improve your keyboard skills and application. We will also cover some of the material you will be learning for the Piano Proficiency Exam given next semester. The skills taught in this class are designed to integrate theoretical knowledge with keyboard ability.

* You are responsible for bringing your book, pencil and notebook to class. (There will be hand-outs that you should keep together and have available for each class) You are also responsible for recording assignments and the correct page numbers!

* Attendance is recorded everyday. Your final grade will be automatically reduced by one full letter grade after 2 un-excused absences.

* Your grade will be based on daily/weekly assignments, quizzes, etc. This is not a performance contest, but an opportunity to grow, and build your skills from your own level. Weekly assigned work will be graded. I will meet with you periodically during the semester for private sessions so I can check your individual progress.

Daily work; quizzes = 70% Final Exam/jury = 30% *You are always welcome to make an appointment for extra help!