Choir @ EWU

MUSE 341 Concert Choir
MUSE 340 Symphonic Choir
MUSE 305 Vocal Jazz II
MUSE 304 Collegians (Vocal Jazz I)

Come and enjoy singing with us
All of the choirs are open to all EWU students. Some of the choirs require an audition or placement interview. But, if you want to sing, there is a place for you in EWU’s choral program!

Concert Choir is an unauditioned choir class that meets twice a week, sings a variety of choral repertoire, and has one or two concert engagements a quarter.

Symphonic Choir is an auditioned choir class that meets four times a week, sings a wide variety of choral repertoire, and has a few concert engagements a quarter.

Vocal Jazz II is an unauditioned choir class that meets twice a week, sings a variety of styles in the jazz genre, and has one or two concert engagements a quarter.

Collegians is an auditioned choir class that meets twice a week, sings a variety of styles in the jazz genre, and has a few concert engagements a quarter.

Please call, text or email Kristina Ploeger-Hekmatpanah with any other questions you may have...
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Choral Audition Information:

Get a Choir Audition Packet for the appropriate ensemble the Friday before school starts. Prepare the excerpts for the first day of class and be prepared to sing in small groups and alone during the scheduled class time. The audition results will be posted by 5:00 pm on the first Friday of classes in September unless otherwise stated. Follow the directions on the audition materials regarding a 10-minute individual audition, and plan to attend each class meeting of the particular ensemble for which you are auditioning until the auditions are completed. Those who successfully audition for these ensembles may register (or change registration) for the appropriate ensemble.

Enrolling for voice lessons:

If you are interested in taking voice lessons, please email or speak with Dr. Abbigail Coté acote2@ewu.edu (509)359-7072. She can help you to ascertain whether you should start in MUSC 130 class voice or begin applied lessons, as well as place you with a teacher. If you are enrolled in applied lessons, you must be enrolled in a large ensemble (Concert or Symphonic Choir).

Enrolling for the proper choral ensemble:

REGISTRATION CHANGES--Due to the audition process students may need to change registration for a different choir once the audition results are posted. It is recommended that students register initially for the choir they hope to take part in, and make the necessary registration adjustments during the second week of school after auditions are finalized. It is wise to leave room in your schedule for both Symphonic Choir (MTWRF 2-2:50 pm) and Concert Choir (T-R 3:00-3:50 pm). This will make registration changes easier and ensure that you are enrolled in a large ensemble (especially if you are taking voice lessons and are required to be).

Other useful information:

All ensembles have a $50 fee each quarter. Also, when the choirs tour, students pay for their tour as part of a course fee. We are went to Estonia in June 2018, and will not travel Internationally until Italy in 2021. So, our tours will not be in the thousands ... if there is any cost, it will be in the hundreds for the next two years. Please feel free to email or call if I can fill in any more information for you. Never worry about over-communicating with me. I’ll always look forward to your calls and emails.

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