Lecture/Lab Hours: 2
Class Time & Day: TBA
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Course Description:
A course open to all students on campus regardless of their field of study offering the student private voice study as it relates to life, through applied singing. The course involves the study of classic and contemporary vocal literature in various languages, styles, and historical eras.

Prerequisites:
Audition/permission of instructor. Open to all interested students

General Objectives:
Voice study as it relates to life, will include study of vocal literature, technique, performance practice, and artistic interpretation.

Specific Objectives:
Introduction of vocal technique in the following areas:
• Breath control
• Posture
• Voice placement concepts
• Vowel concepts
• Vocal literature studies
• Stylistic studies commensurate with the literature
• Interpretation of literature studied
• Performance practices

Methodology:
• Students will meet with the instructor and accompanist once weekly for a 30-minute private voice lesson. The instructor will introduce the above objectives at a pace which serves the student’s best interest.
• Required material will be introduced during lessons. The student is responsible for learning a minimum of four assigned musical works. The student must be able to sing all four songs from memory at semester’s end. Assignments will be given to help the student accomplish requirements.
• Students enter this course with the understanding that they must practice the minimum amount of time prescribed by the instructor.

Evaluation Criteria:
• Grades are based on knowledge of material, individual practice, attendance, and improvement. Final grades will be determined by a combination of the student’s weekly attendance record, daily assignment grades, final performance grade, and jury grade if applicable. Failure to met minimum requirements will result in a lower grade.
• Lessons missed for any reason are forfeited unless the student switches with another scheduled student and notifies the instructor. Lessons missed because of illness or family emergency as documented by the Dean of Students may be made up at the instructor’s discretion. Lessons missed because of the instructor’s absence will be made up at a time convenient to student/teacher.
• Periodic performance opportunities may be required.

Required Texts, Readings, Materials:
Repertoire for this course will be taken from established classic repertoire. It is the student’s responsibility to purchase necessary texts.

Last date to change to Audit status or withdraw with a “W” grade:
See current catalog.

Student Rights and Responsibilities:
It is the policy of Casper College to provide appropriate accommodations to students with a documented disability. If the student needs accommodation in this course, please make an appointment to see the instructor at the earliest convenience. Refer to the Casper College Student Judicial Code for information concerning your rights and responsibilities as a Casper College student.
Calendar or Schedule of Course Content:
   To be determined by the level of each student.