

UW OSHKOSH JAZZ ENSEMBLES AUDITION INFORMATION - FALL 2009

The UW Oshkosh Jazz Ensembles are open to all students regardless of major.

Auditions are held for all positions in the two jazz big bands at the beginning of each semester, and are mainly for placement in the sections. All interested students should plan to audition, regardless of your experience.

The instrumentation is for a standard jazz big band, including all saxophones, trumpets, trombones, piano, guitar, bass, and drums.

Auditions will be held from Wednesday, September 9th through Friday, September 11th. Please sign-up for a 10-minute time slot on the board outside N 118, Dr. Marty Robinson's office.

Auditions will consist of some scales, the prepared jazz etude (available online and outside N 118), sight-reading, and improvisation (optional) with Dr. Marty Robinson accompanying at the piano. Students auditioning for Bass and Drums can prepare any jazz piece in lieu of the jazz etude.

An amp will be provided for auditioning guitar and bass students. Drummers should bring their own sticks and will audition in the percussion room.

Please fill out the audition information sheet prior to your scheduled audition. Forms are available outside N 118.

The UWO Jazz Ensemble meets on MTWR, from 3:00 – 4:00 in N 14, with the first rehearsal of the year on Monday, September 14th.

The UWO Jazz Lab Band meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00, with the first rehearsal on Wednesday, September 16th.

For interested vocalists, the UWO Vocal Jazz Choir meets on Mondays and Wednesdays from 4:10 – 5:30. Please contact Ms. Jessica Israels in N 216 for more details.

Please feel free to stop by Dr. Marty Robinson's office (N 118) if you have any questions.