

Brandeis Music Department

Private Lessons

VOCAL (Mus 111)

General Information

Thank you for your interest in pursuing private lessons in voice at Brandeis. The Music Department has three gifted professional singers who teach voice: Jason McStoots, Kristen Watson and Pamela Wolfe.

Ten lessons are offered each semester, and this is a great way to develop your vocal instrument. Please note that if you participate in voice lessons and a voice studio, there is a co-requisite of participating in a Brandeis University ensemble.

Cost

Lessons are not covered by tuition. If you are a declared Music Major by the end of registration period, the charge is \$250 per semester for 10 lessons. If you are NOT a Music Major the charge is \$700 per semester for 10 lessons. Payment in the form of cash or check made payable to your instructor should be given to Cheryl Nalbach in the Music Department prior to your first lesson.

Juries

Every student taking private lessons will perform a jury at the end of the school year to demonstrate their progress. A jury is a brief performance for the faculty. Comments, not grades, are given.

Credit

One semester of private lessons is worth ½ course credit. A maximum of 4 course credits (i.e., 16 credit-hours) are allowed for all enrollments in Ensemble alone or private lessons and ensemble together. After 4 course credits have been earned, register in the XC section.

How to Register

1. Audition for a Music Department Ensemble. Audition information can be found here: <http://www.brandeis.edu/departments/music/ensembles/auditions.html>.
If you have difficulty registering in an ensemble consult the director of vocal studies, Professor Robert Duff: rduff@brandeis.edu or the director of instrumental studies, Professor Bob Nieske: nieske@brandeis.edu.
2. After receiving audition results, register for your ensemble by getting a Consent Code and Register on Sage for either the Credit or XC (non-credit) section.
3. Audition for voice lessons (see Music Department website for audition dates and sign up).
4. Register for private voice lessons for either the Credit or XC (non-credit section).
Please write to Professor Robert Duff (rduff@brandeis.edu) for a consent code.

I have read and understand the information on this sheet.

Voice Part: _____

Credit or XC: _____

Print Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: _____

Date: _____