

**MUS 156 – Beginning College Chorus  
Course Syllabus**

**1 Unit, Room 305; Monday 06:30pm to 09:40pm  
Dennis Lang, Instructor**

**Course Description:** This course is designed to fit the needs and desires of students who are interested in vocal music. Students who are interested in this ensemble would benefit from previous musical experience in any vocal or instrumental program, however, it is not required for enrollment. Basic instruction in breath control, tone placement, articulation, enunciation and listening skills are emphasized during the semester to further advance students abilities. The selected literature for this ensemble is representative of a comprehensive choral music curriculum. This course entails three major community concerts off-campus.

**Required Materials:** Students are required to have their music folder, music and pencil for each rehearsal. Concert attire is made available on a rental or purchase option for the semester.

**Participation:** Students are expected to attend all classes as well as any extra rehearsals and performances as part of their grade. They are expected to be punctual. Any unexcused absence will affect the results of the final grade.

**Grading:** Students will be evaluated based on the following criteria;

Class and Performance Attendance & Participation .....50%  
Ability to Learn the Music Pieces Assigned .....25%  
General Improvement in their Singing & Musicality.....25%

**Concert Performances for Fall Semester 2016**

**Cattle Call Show -**

Saturday, October 23, 2016 at 4:00pm  
Palmer Auditorium  
Brawley, CA

**Christmas Is Coming Concert–**

Saturday, December 03, 2016 at 7:00pm  
Brawley Presbyterian Church  
Brawley, CA

Sunday, December 04, 2016 at 4:00pm  
EC Methodist Church  
El Centro, CA