



Department of Music

MUC 4095-1

1 or 2 Units

Spring 2025

Meeting days/times to be scheduled with Professor

Meeting location: Immersive Audio Lab, Cooper Music Center 131

Portfolio Cues Due: Friday, May 2, 2025

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PLNU Mission

To Teach ~ To Shape ~ To Send

Point Loma Nazarene University exists to provide higher education in a vital Christian community where minds are engaged and challenged, character is modeled and formed, and service is an expression of faith. Being of Wesleyan heritage, we strive to be a learning community where grace is foundational, truth is pursued, and holiness is a way of life.

Course Description and Outcomes

MUC 4095-1 - Film composition. Development of film scoring skills including session setup, sample libraries, picture sync, spotting, tempo mapping, composition, revisions, exporting mixes/reference video files, templates, sample hosting, picture conforms, and stem delivery. **Goal is to add a minimum of 2 cues (short sections of film score) to your portfolio by end of semester, showcasing the composer's skills and range.** May be repeated.

Required Texts and Recommended Study Resources

- 1) USB 3.0 Flash Drive. Minimum 128GB for transferring and backing up projects and sessions.
- 2) A set of professional over the ear "closed back" headphones for studio sessions. Industry standard options are: Sony MDR-7506, Beyerdynamic DT-770, and the Audio-Technica ATH-M series.
- 3) USB MIDI controller
- 4) Apple Logic Pro

Optional, but Highly recommended Study Resources

- 1) EastWest Composer Cloud subscription (Student discount rate is \$10 per month, or \$100 per year): <https://www.soundsonline.com/composercloud> (make sure you select the student rate)
- 2) 2TB External SSD drive to host Composer Cloud sample libraries. [WD My Passport](#) or [Samsung T7](#) recommended

Assessment and Grading

- Weekly attendance: 25%
- Weekly Progress: 25%
- Completed Projects: 50%

Grades will be based on the following:

A	B	C	D	F
A 93-100	B+ 87-89	C+ 77-79	D+ 67-69	F Less than 59
A- 90-92	B 83-86	C 73-76	D 63-66	

	B- 80-82	C- 70-72	D- 60-62	
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Spiritual Care

Please be aware PLNU strives to be a place where you grow as whole persons. To this end, we provide resources for our students to encounter God and grow in their Christian faith.

If students have questions, a desire to meet with the chaplain or have prayer requests you can contact your professor or the [Office of Spiritual Life and Formation](#).

State Authorization

State authorization is a formal determination by a state that Point Loma Nazarene University is approved to conduct activities regulated by that state. In certain states outside California, Point Loma Nazarene University is not authorized to enroll online (distance education) students. If a student moves to another state after admission to the program and/or enrollment in an online course, continuation within the program and/or course will depend on whether Point Loma Nazarene University is authorized to offer distance education courses in that state. It is the student's responsibility to notify the institution of any change in his or her physical location. Refer to the map on [State Authorization](#) to view which states allow online (distance education) outside of California.

PLNU Copyright Policy

Point Loma Nazarene University, as a non-profit educational institution, is entitled by law to use materials protected by the US Copyright Act for classroom education. Any use of those materials outside the class may violate the law.

PLNU Academic Honesty Policy

Students should demonstrate academic honesty by doing original work and by giving appropriate credit to the ideas of others. Academic dishonesty is the act of presenting information, ideas, and/or concepts as one's own when in reality they are the results of another person's creativity and effort. A faculty member who believes a situation involving academic dishonesty has been detected may assign a failing grade for that assignment or examination, or, depending on the seriousness of the offense, for the course. Faculty should follow and students may appeal using the procedure in the university Catalog. See [Academic Policies](#) for definitions of kinds of academic dishonesty and for further policy information.

PLNU Academic Accommodations Policy

PLNU is committed to providing equal opportunity for participation in all its programs, services, and activities. Students with disabilities may request course-related accommodations by contacting the Educational Access Center (EAC), located in the Bond Academic Center (EAC@pointloma.edu or 619-849-2486). Once a student's eligibility for an accommodation has been determined, the EAC will issue an academic accommodation plan ("AP") to all faculty who teach courses in which the student is enrolled each semester.

PLNU highly recommends that students speak with their professors during the first two weeks of each semester/term about the implementation of their AP in that particular course and/or if they do not wish to utilize some or all of the elements of their AP in that course.

Students who need accommodations for a disability should contact the EAC as early as possible (i.e., ideally before the beginning of the semester) to assure appropriate accommodations can be provided. It is the student's responsibility to make the first contact with the EAC.

PLNU Attendance and Participation Policy

Regular and punctual attendance at all lessons is considered essential to optimum academic achievement. If the student is absent for more than 10 percent of lessons, the faculty member will issue a written warning of de-enrollment. If the absences exceed 20 percent, the student may be de-enrolled without notice until the university withdrawal date or, after that date, receive an "F" grade.