MUSC 4321 APPLIED JAZZ IMPROVISATION

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Text required: The Jazz Real Book Vol. One

Course Description: The study of jazz improvisation is on a one-to-one basis in a private lesson.

Course Goals: To learn and understand the different scales and chords used in Jazz and how to apply them when improvising.

Course Objectives:
1. The student will learn how to read chord changes of a tune and also what scales to use when improvising to it.
2. The student will have an understanding of the variety of musical styles such as blues, latin, funk, rock, etc.
3. The students will have a chance to listen to the Jazz greats and hear their approach to improvising to a certain song that we are working on.
4. The student will have a chance to learn a tune from the different eras of Jazz.

Test and other assessments: We will have a concert each semester where the students will perform showing off their new skills.

Attendance is a must! Practicing is the key to learning music especially in Jazz. Scales and chord knowledge takes time and effort to learn. Also listening to the great players is essential in the development of an individual's talents.