

Course Announcement – fall 2012
MUS-M 527-19478 - Symphonic Literature (3 cr)



Time: Mo We 9:30-10:45AM • Room: Music Library 267

Instructor: Prof. Giovanni Zanovello (giovzano@indiana.edu)

Course description: In this class we will hone the intellectual tools needed to understand the history of the symphony and speak intelligently about it. The symphony is one of the most iconic genres of Western music. During its history, it has adapted and evolved, engaging more and more with the surrounding cultural and literary history. Class after class I will present a very succinct historical narrative, but that will be only one component of the course. The class time will involve a regular team work and class discussion. Class attendance is mandatory.

Pre-Requisites: MUS-T 508 and MUS-M 542 or equivalents by examination. Please do not ask for exceptions. This is an overbooked class and is offered two or three times a year.

Textbooks: Dover Mini Scores [required]; Preston Stedman, *The Symphony*, Second Edition (Upper Saddle River, NJ: Prentice Hall, 1992) [Optional].

Assignments and grading: Only the students who come to class, do the assigned homework by the deadline, and take all the tests will earn a passing grade for this class. Grading will be based on class participation, presentations, and a semester-long analytical project.