

MUS115 Fundamentals of Music and Sound Design

Week 6 Assignment

Assignment Instructions:

- Evaluate, import, and spot the music temp soundtrack ***Fantasy Warrior.wav*** into the animation ***Fantasy Warrior*** found in the Week 6 ***Resources*** folder on the *Moodle* course webpage. Alternatively, you may choose to create your own music soundtrack track using the loops found in ***Mixcraft's*** clip/loop ***Library (25 pts)***.
- To allow proper syncing with the video's on-screen actions, remember to adjust the snap feature to the division of the beat (***Snap to 1/8 Notes***). If you choose to create your own music temp track, change the loop's tempo to the ***Project's*** tempo.
- Determine the sound effects needed for this animation and map them out with a cue sheet provided for you in the ***Week 6 Resources*** folder on the *Moodle* course webpage. Save the cue sheet as: ***mus115_your.user.name_wk06.pdf (25 pts)***.
- Create, import, and spot sound effects for the animation ***Fantasy Warrior***. Use assets from both the DAW's library, the supplemental library provided for you in the ***Resources*** folder, and original Foley sound effects. You may use advanced sound design techniques to create 'larger than life' sound effects to improve the animation's narrative (***25 pts***).
- Mix the animation's soundtrack using various mixing processes (***25 pts***). Remember the most important factors in mixing during your production:
 - 1) ***Volume*** – How loud is each track in relation to the others?
 - 2) ***Panning*** – How can each instrument be placed within the stereo field to achieve maximum clarity and presence?
 - 3) ***Equalization*** – How is the sound quality or timbre (bright, dull, clear, distorted, fat, thin, etc.) of each instrument in relation to the other instruments?
 - 4) ***Effects plugins*** – How can each track can be manipulated with special DSP (Digital Signal Processing) effects to create a unique sound?
- ***Mix Down*** your animation as a ***.wmv***.
- Zip both the sound effects cue sheet, ***mus115_your.user.name_wk06.pdf***, and the ***WMV*** file together and name as: ***mus115_your.user.name_wk06***. Upload your file to the ***Week 6 Moodle*** course folder: ***MUS115 Week 6 Assignment***.