

University of Tennessee, Chattanooga

2025-2026 Undergraduate Catalog

Course Descriptions

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Courses certified as satisfying General Education Requirements are identified in the course title with a two letter category abbreviation. General Education categories are listed below.

[Writing and Communication \(WC\)](#) [Humanities and Fine Arts \(HF\)](#) [Natural Science \(LL, LC & LB, NL\)](#)

[Behavioral and Social Science \(SB\)](#) [Quantitative Reasoning \(QR\)](#) [Individual and Global Citizenship \(CZ\)](#)

Music Performing Organizations

The performing organizations mentioned below are open to University students with sufficient technical ability. Attendance at public performances and rehearsals is required.

MUS 0027R - Orpheus Chorale

(0-1) Credit Hours

A non-auditioned chorus concentrating on a wide variety of music for male voices, music reading ability, and group instruction in healthy singing technique. Public concerts will be presented at the conclusion of each semester.

MUS 0028R - Choral Union

(0-1) Credit Hours

A non-auditioned chorus for female and male voices and is a combination of Chattanooga Singers and Men's Chorus or Women's Chorale. The chorus meets four days per week concentrating on a wide variety of music for mixed voices, music reading ability, and group instruction in healthy singing technique. Public concerts will be presented at the conclusion of each semester.

MUS 0029R - Master Chorale

(0-1) Credit Hours

A non-auditioned chorus for female and male voices performing major choral works from the standard repertoire.

MUS 0030R - Marching Band

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study of marching band functions and literature through performances at University athletic and other events which could appropriately utilize the participation of a marching musical group. Fall semester. Students enrolling may elect to take the course for zero credit or 1 credit hour. For those registered for 0 credit, grades assigned with Satisfactory (S) or no Credit (NC). Students enrolled for 1 credit hour will be graded a standard letter grade (A, B, C, D or F).

MUS 0031R - Concert Band

(0-1) Credit Hours

Reading, rehearsing, and performing contemporary and traditional band literature. Laboratory organization for instrumental conducting and band arranging classes. Spring semester. Students enrolling may elect to take the course for zero credit or 1 credit hour. For those registered for 0 credit, grades assigned with Satisfactory (S) or No Credit (NC). Students enrolled for 1 credit hour will be graded a standard letter grade (A, B, C, D or F).

MUS 0035R - Wind Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

A select ensemble which rehearses and performs literature for larger Wind Ensembles of all periods with emphasis on music of the 20th century. On demand. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval.

MUS 0036r - Jazz Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Students will develop a knowledge base for the genre of jazz through ensemble performance. Emphasis is placed on performance techniques, improvisation, and repertoire.

MUS 0040r - Opera Workshop

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study of and practical experience in preparation and performance of operas and opera scenes. Attention to requirements of various style periods. Emphasis of development of musical and dramatic skills and stagecraft techniques. Every semester. Students enrolling may elect to take the course for zero credit or 1 credit hour. For those registered for 0 credit, grades assigned with Satisfactory (S) or no Credit (NC). Students enrolled for 1 credit hour will be graded a standard letter grade (A, B, C, D or F).

MUS 0050r - University Orchestra

(0-1) Credit Hours

Rehearsal and performance of selected works from the symphonic repertoire from 1700 to the present. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval.

MUS 0053r - Cadek Community Orchestra

(0-1) Credit Hours

Development of basic skills in performance while exploring music literature from various stylistic periods. Provides opportunities for inexperienced players to develop greater proficiency in a noncompetitive atmosphere. For music majors, no more than 2 hours credit will be counted toward degree requirement. Every semester.

MUS 0061r - Percussion Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Accompanying, chamber, and other ensemble music. On demand. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval.

Music

MUS 0511r - Piano Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0512r - Organ Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0513r - Jazz Piano Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0531r - Violin Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0532r - Viola Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0533r - Cello Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0534r - String Bass Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0535r - Guitar Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0536R - Bass Guitar Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Studies in the rudiments of playing electric bass guitar and in basic musicianship skills relating to the role of a bass player in a band or ensemble. Individual instruction for students with limited or no prior applied instruction. May not be

accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0550r - Voice Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0571r - Flute Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0572r - Oboe Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0573r - Clarinet Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0574r - Saxophone Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0575r - Bassoon Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0591r - Trumpet Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0592r - Horn Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0593r - Trombone Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0594r - Euphonium Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0595r - Tuba Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 0610r - Percussion Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied experience. May not be accepted as applied credit for any music degree program or music minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1000r - Seminar

(0) Credit Hours

Every semester.

MUS 1020 - Fundamentals of Music

(3) Credit Hours

An intensive review of note-reading in all currently used clefs; scales and keys; meter and rhythm. Also an introduction to intervals, triads, and aural skills. Open to all students. Every semester.

MUS 1110 - Introduction to Music (HF)

(3) Credit Hours

Designed to promote awareness of western art music as a mode of communication and a major component of western culture, this course will examine styles, significant works and prominent musicians in an historical context. The relationships among political, religious, scientific and philosophical issues and styles in western music will be considered.

General Education Category: Humanities and Fine Arts

MUS 1150 - Principles of Music (HF)

(3) Credit Hours

An introduction to basic principles of music—form, rhythm, melody, and harmony—through creating original musical arrangements and works. Musical examples from the classical canon, folk music, and popular music will be examined and will serve as models for original works. Fall and Spring semesters.

General Education Category: Humanities and Fine Arts

MUS 1210 - Piano Class for Non-Music Majors

(1) Credit Hours

For persons without keyboard or music reading experience. Every semester. Class hours 2.

MUS 1250 - The First Year Experience in Music

(1) Credit Hours

An introduction to the college experience for first-year students at UTC and the aspects needed for a successful transition from high school to college. Emphasis on expectations for Music majors and career options after graduation. Elective available to all students with fewer than 30 earned hours. Recommended during the initial semester for students who enter UTC with fewer than 15 hours. Students enrolled in this course will earn one hour of graded, elective credit. Fall semester. Lecture 1 hour. Open to freshmen.

MUS 1330 - Voice Class

(1) Credit Hours

For persons without vocal experience. Focus on basic techniques of vocal production in singing: diction; range extension; pitch accuracy. Fall semester. Class hours 2.

MUS 1350 - Guitar Class

(1) Credit Hours

For persons without guitar experience. An introduction to the technique and classical literature of the guitar. Fall semester. Class hours 2.

MUS 1360R - Guitar Class for Music Therapists

(1) Credit Hours

Group instruction in entry-level guitar skills for Music Therapy majors. Fall and Spring semesters. Class hours 2. Prerequisites: Program Clinical Health Requirements and Clearance Procedures or Director of Music Therapy program approval. Music Therapy majors only.

MUS 1410 - Piano Class III

(1) Credit Hours

Class hours 2. Fall semester. Prerequisites: [MUS 1740](#) or audition or Department Head approval.

MUS 1420 - Piano Class IV

(1) Credit Hours

Class hours 2. Spring semester. Prerequisites: [MUS 1410](#) or Department Head approval.

MUS 1430R - Proficiency Studies

(0) Credit Hours

An intensive practicum which stresses the development of general musicianship skills necessary for the piano proficiency examination. Prerequisites: [MUS 1420](#) and Department Head approval.

MUS 1511R - Piano Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor.

Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1512R - Organ Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1513R - Jazz Piano Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1531R - Violin Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1532R - Viola Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the

Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1533R - Cello Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1534R - String Bass Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1535R - Guitar Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1536R - Bass Guitar Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

University-level study of the bass guitar and its uses in popular music. Individual instruction for students with experience playing the bass but limited or no prior applied music instruction. Every semester. Class hour 1. Prerequisites: audition or instructor approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1550R - Voice Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1571R - Flute Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1572R - Oboe Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1573R - Clarinet Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1574R - Saxophone Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1575R - Bassoon Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1591R - Trumpet Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1592R - Horn Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1593R - Trombone Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1594R - Euphonium Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1595R - Tuba Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1610R - Percussion Instruction

(1) Credit Hours

Individual instruction for students with limited applied music experience. Will be accepted as applied credit for the Bachelor of Arts degree program or Composition minor. Every semester. Prerequisites: audition or Department Head approval. Music course fee will be assessed.

MUS 1710 - Musicianship I

(2) Credit Hours

Mastery of fundamental skills in musicianship including: notation; rhythm and meter; pitch, keys, scales, and modes; intervals, and triads; and the practical application of these skills to musical settings in a variety of styles. Additionally,

basic procedures in music notation software. Class hours 2. Prerequisites: Acceptable score on Musicianship Prep Proficiency Test or Department Head approval. Corequisites: [MUS 1730](#) Musicianship Lab I.

MUS 1720 - Musicianship II

(2) Credit Hours

Continuation of mastery of musical skills including: diatonic functional harmony; chord symbols from popular and classical perspectives; melody composition and harmonization; basic analysis of music using these concepts and skills. Class hours 2. Prerequisites: Completion of [MUS 1710](#) with grade of C or better or Department Head approval. Corequisites: [MUS 1740](#) Musicianship Lab II and [MUS 1760](#) Aural Skills II.

MUS 1730 - Musicianship Lab I

(1) Credit Hours

Application and practice at the piano keyboard and in written drills of the fundamental skills taught in [MUS 1710](#) Musicianship I. Class hours 2. Prerequisites: Acceptable score on the Musicianship Prep Proficiency Test or Department Head approval. Corequisites: [MUS 1710](#) or Department Head approval.

MUS 1740 - Musicianship Lab II

(1) Credit Hours

Application and practice at the piano keyboard and in written drills of the skills and concepts taught in [MUS 1720](#) Musicianship II. Class hours 2. Prerequisites: Completion of [MUS 1730](#) with a grade of C or better or Department Head approval. Corequisites: [MUS 1720](#) and [MUS 1760](#).

MUS 1750 - Aural Skills I

(2) Credit Hours

Mastery of rhythmic and diatonic melodic performance using rhythmic syllabication and solfeggio (Movable "Do"). Aural discernment of major and minor keys, retention and replication of diatonic melodies; basic improvisation with primary performance medium over tonic and dominant harmonies. Class hours 2. Prerequisites: Acceptable score on the Musicianship Prep Proficiency Test or Department Head approval. Corequisites: [MUS 1710](#) Musicianship I and [MUS 1730](#) Musicianship Lab I.

MUS 1760 - Aural Skills II

(2) Credit Hours

Continuation of the mastery of diatonic harmony and melody, expanding into pre-dominant harmonies; transposition of diatonic melodies; aural recognition and notation of standard diatonic melodies and chord progressions; basic improvisation over tonic, pre-dominant, and dominant harmonies. Class hours 2. Prerequisites: Completion of [MUS 1750](#)

with grade of C or better or Department Head approval. Corequisites: [MUS 1720](#)

Musicianship II and [MUS 1740](#)

Musicianship Lab II.

MUS 1800 - Introduction to Music Education**(1) Credit Hours**

Introduction to the field of PreK-12 school music education as practiced in the United States; program organization, professional responsibilities, educational and legal context, advocacy, curriculum.

MUS 1810 - Introduction to Music Therapy**(3) Credit Hours**

Development of entry-level competencies in the field of music therapy. Lecture/discussion, lab-based activities, and field experience opportunities. Prerequisites: Program Clinical Health Requirements & Clearance Procedures or Director of Music Therapy program approval.

MUS 1820 - Beginning Dance for Music Therapists**(1) Credit Hours**

A studio introduction to dance, stretching, and improvisation for music therapy majors. On demand. Studio 1 hour. Prerequisites: Program Clinical Health Requirements and Clearance Procedures; [MUS 1810](#) with minimum grade of C or Director of Music Therapy program approval.

MUS 1999R - Special Projects**(1-9) Credit Hours**

Individual or group projects. Maximum credit 4 hours. On demand. Prerequisites: Department Head approval.

MUS 2000R - Seminar**(0) Credit Hours**

Every semester.

MUS 2010R - Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2011R - Collaborative Piano

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for piano ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2012R - Trumpet Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for trumpet ensemble.

MUS 2013R - Pep Band

(0-1) Credit Hours

Rehearsal and performance at basketball games, and other athletic, campus, and community events. Fall and Spring semesters.

MUS 2015R - Flute Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for flute ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2016R - Tuba/Euphonium Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for tuba and euphonium ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2017R - Guitar Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for guitar ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2018R - Clarinet Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for clarinet ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2019R - Saxophone Quartet

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for saxophone quartet. On demand.

MUS 2020R - Woodwind Quintet

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for woodwind quintet. On demand.

MUS 2021R - Brass Quintet

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for brass quintet. On demand.

MUS 2022R - Horn Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for horn ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2023R - Trombone Ensemble

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for trombone ensemble. On demand.

MUS 2024R - String Quartet

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of works for string quartet. On demand.

MUS 2025R - Chamber Music

(0-1) Credit Hours

Study and performance of vocal and instrumental chamber music scores. On demand.

MUS 2050R - Fundamentals of Music Composition

(2) Credit Hours

Beginning composition study, focused on solos, small groups, and short forms. Every semester. Prerequisites: [MUS 1710](#) or Department Head approval.

MUS 2090 - Keyboard Harmony

(1) Credit Hours

The use of harmonic materials at the keyboard. Fall semester.

MUS 2100 - Keyboard Harmony

(1) Credit Hours

The use of harmonic materials at the keyboard. spring semester. Prerequisite: Music 2090 or Department Head approval.

MUS 2130 - A History of Rock (HF)

(3) Credit Hours

A consideration of the history of rock music in a social context.

General Education Category: Humanities and Fine Arts

MUS 2170 - Diction for Singers

(2) Credit Hours

An introduction to the pronunciation of Italian, German, French, and English based on the International Phonetic Alphabet. Fall semester. Open to voice majors; others by Department Head approval.

MUS 2190 - Technology for Music Educators

(1) Credit Hours

Introduction to technology for classroom use by music educators, including program organization technology, recording technology, sound reinforcement technology, and notation and digital audio workstation software. Fall semester.

MUS 2210 - String Methods

(2) Credit Hours

Class instruction of string instruments: tuning and care of instruments; teaching techniques. Violin, viola, cello, and double bass. Fall semester. Class 2 hours, laboratory 1 hour.

MUS 2220 - Instrumental Methods for Vocal Music Education Majors

(2) Credit Hours

Class instruction of woodwinds, brass, and percussion instruments; tuning and care of instruments; teaching techniques. Spring semester. Class 2 hours, laboratory 1 hour. Prerequisites: Vocal Music Education Major status or Department Head approval.

MUS 2230 - Woodwind Methods

(2) Credit Hours

Class instruction of woodwind instruments; tuning and care of instruments. Teaching techniques. Single reed instruments, double reed instruments, and flute. Fall semester. Class 2 hours, laboratory 1 hour.