Rubric

Points will be awarded for each task based on the following criteria:

0 – task was <u>not</u> attempted
1 – task was attempted but not completed accurately
2 – task was completed accurately but not exceptionally
3 – task was completed accurately <u>and</u> exceptionally

In order to complete a task "exceptionally", you must go above and beyond the basic task. For example, if you're asked to record audio, you can earn 3 points if your recorded audio is of a high quality (i.e. free of noise with wide dynamic range and frequency response) <u>and</u> you describe your recording setup in your instructions file (e.g. what microphones and audio interface you used, how you placed the microphones in your recording area, etc). Note that equipment can be checked out from the Music Department. To earn 3 points for a Pd or Max patch, your patch must work properly, be cleanly organized with labels (and perhaps colored buttons), be implemented in the most efficient or clever way possible (e.g. by using abstractions where appropriate), and explained well in your instructions file. Since this is a Music course, you can also earn 3 points if your patch demonstrates a very high level of creativity or originality. To earn 3 points for your instructions file, your explanations must be well-articulated and free of grammatical errors.

<u>VERY IMPORTANT</u>: before you try to make your recordings or your patches exceptional, first make sure they're accurate. The most you can earn for a task that's not completed accurately is 1 point, regardless of how neat or professional your presentation is.

Professor Erbe designed the grading rubric so that it's actually quite difficult to earn 3 points for every task on every assignment. However, he will curve the grades at the end of the quarter, so your grades on the assignments may be higher in the end.