West Chester University ◦ School of Music

Piano Class I for non-keyboard music majors

PIA 191 – Level 1

One 50-minute class weekly covering a variety of piano skills needed for professional musicians.

1st Semester Scale Requirements:

**Major Scales**: C, G, D, A, E, F, B-flat two octaves, hands separate, performed at MM=60, two notes per beat by the end of the semester.

**Harmonic Minor Scales**: c, g, d, a and e, one octave, hands separate, performed at MM=60, two notes per beat by the end of the semester.

Chord Progressions & Harmony:

**Cadences**: C, G, D, A, F, Eb, c, g, d, a and e. (See attached example)

**Harmonization**: Of folk songs using fake book notation. The right hand plays the melody while the left hand accompanies. Roman numerals or letter-name symbols identify all chords. Some left hand figuration is desirable.

Repertoire:

**Literature**: Solo classical piano selection(s) appropriate to the student’s level.

**Transposition**: Of melodies with simple accompaniments, to any key within a major second and/or related keys.

**Sight Reading**: Examples appropriate to the student’s level.