

## Syllabus – MSJ 305/306 JAZZ PIANO AND KEYBOARD HARMONY

### Study Guide: Keyboard Harmony for Writers

#### Week 1

Referring to p. 48 & 49 , practice individual chords, up and down chromatically, whole tone, and by min. thirds.

- Learn the ii min 9.
- Learn the V13.
- Learn the IΔ 6/9.

#### Read pages 17 & 18

- Learn the ii-V cadences as found on p.18 ex. B & C with the patterns given above be sure to use a metronome and select a clave or riff.(p. 35)

#### Week 2

Referring to p. 8, practice individual chords, up and down chromatically, whole tone, and by min. thirds.

- Learn the chords for Lydian.
- Learn the chords for Ionian 11.
- Learn the chords for Mixolydian 11.

#### Week 3

- Learn the chords for Aeolian .
- Learn the chords for Phrygian .
- Learn the chords for Locrian.
- Learn the ii-V cadences as found on p.18 ex. ex D, with the patterns given above be sure to use a metronome and select a clave or riff.(p. 35)

#### Week 4

- Learn the tune **Ruth** found on p. x in the appendix
- Be able to play all learned individual chords as dictated.

#### Week 5

Be able to play the resolutions found in exs. A & B on page 19.

#### Week 6

Learn the tune **Love Thing** found on Page 9 in the appendix.

Week 7

Learn the unusual cadences found on page IV in the appendix; practice with a groove or clave.

Week 8

Read pages 54 - 63; study p. 57 and apply the tritone sub technique to 4 ii-V-I cadences of your choice.

Week 10

Reharmonise, write on manuscript paper, and be able to play a standard or bossa of your choice.

Week 11

Find the book: 30 compositions by **Kenny Dorham** ; arranged for piano by Walter Davis, Jr

Study the arrangements; play as many as you can; arrange 8 bars(or more) of a tune of your choice for solo piano based on the concepts found in the book.

Week 12

Arrange and write out one of your own compositions for solo piano.

Week 13

Review and polish all the skills you have acquired so far.

Week 10

Reharmonize a standard using pedal point for one section. Study and be able to play the tune **Dark Dance** found on page VIII in the appendix.

Week 11

Learn **Wood Dance** found on page XVI in the appendix.

Week 12

Learn **Small Feats** found on page XIII in the appendix.

Week 13 - 16

Individual assignments and review.

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