Notes and assignments
1. The performance study group of gamelan at Wesleyan has been in existence since the late 1960s. The class focuses on direct, hand-on experience of performing Central Javanese gamelan. This will be augmented by readings & listening assignments, occasional discussions and showing documentary films.
2. There’ll be a mid-term take home exam, and at the end of the semester students are required to write a brief report on a topic relevant to the course, e.g., your experience to learn and/or perform gamelan.
3. Students are encouraged to practice before the class time, especially if you’re assigned to play leading instruments.
4. The class will present an informal gamelan performance on Thursday evening, April 28 at 7pm. In addition, students are required to attend a gamelan performance by the advanced gamelan class on Saturday evening, April 16 at 9:30pm.
5. Your grade will be based primarily on: (1) your attendance and participation in the class (80%)--this means that attendance at all classes is mandatory; and (2) your exam and report (20%). Tardiness and late paper will be counted toward the final grade.

Readings
   https://wesfiles.wesleyan.edu/home/sumarsam/Wesleyan%20Gamelan/Intro.gamelan.pdf?uniq=pfkyc

Listening and Websites
Listening: Indonésie, Java Centre. Gamelan de Solo: Le jeu des sentiments/Indonesia, Central Java.
Wesleyan Gamelan Blogs: http://gamelan.blogs.wesleyan.edu/
Wesleyan Virtual Instrument Museum: http://learningobjects.wesleyan.edu/vim/cgi-bin/instrument.cgi?id=30 For viewing video/audio clip, click on the instrument listed in the left column.

Gamelan Performances
Javanese Gamelan--Beginners, Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 7:00pm, World Music Hall
Experience the culture of Java with beginning students of the Wesleyan Gamelan Ensemble. The concert will include a prelude by the Wesleyan Youth Gamelan Ensemble.

Javanese Wayang Puppet Play, Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 9:30pm, World Music Hall
The Wesleyan Gamelan Ensemble, under the direction of Artist in Residence I.M. Harjito and University Professor of Music Sumarsam (puppeteer) will presents Javanese Wayang Puppet Play.