American Roots FYS: Introductory Questionnaire

Please fill out the questionnaire as completely as you are able. Your answers will influence some of the decisions I make about the class. I promise to read them carefully!

1. What are your favorite kinds of music?

2. Name a few of your favorite musicians or bands.

3. Write a few adjectives describing the songs you like the best.

4. In general, do you find yourself more attracted to lyrics, or to other aspects of a song, like the melody or beat?

5. Is music an important part of who you are?
   (circle one) no a little somewhat very much so

6. Are you interested in learning more about the folk music of your family/ancestors? ____
   If you answered “yes,” please describe your family background or ethnicity.

7. Is there any particular type of folk music or performer that you were hoping to study in this class? If so, describe.

8. How often do you listen to music?

9. How often do you just listen to music without doing anything else?
10. Please describe your formal musical training, if any. (“Formal” training includes taking lessons or participating in an organized choir, band, or orchestra.) List any instruments that you play and the number of years you’ve been playing them. Also indicate if you have taken voice lessons.

11. Please describe any other significant musical experiences you’ve had, including teaching yourself music, jamming with friends, forming a band, etc.

12. Do you read music? (circle one) not at all somewhat well

13. Do you know any music theory? (circle one) no some a lot

14. I’d like to take the time to meet with students in the first two weeks of classes. Please circle times at which you ARE available:

   1/20 Thursday 12:45 1:00 1:15 1:30 1:45 2:00 2:15 2:30 2:45 3:00 3:15
   1/21 Friday 12:15 12:30 3:00 3:15
   1/25 Tuesday 4:00 4:15 4:45
   1/26 Wednesday 10:45 11:00 11:15 11:30 11:45 12:00

   None of these times work