Music 103 – Classic Rock

Preparation for the Final Exam

1a. Known listening, general (6 questions, 12 points)

For all the songs on Box for Chapters 3-9, be prepared to identify: artist and title.

1b. Known listening, specific (3 questions, 12 points)

For the songs in the Schloss text's Listening Guides for Chapters 5-9, be prepared to identify: artist, title, date of release (within 5 years), and approximately what location in the song was played (verse, chorus, etc).

2. Unknown listening (2 questions, 20 points)

Be prepared to describe what you perceive to be important musical characteristics in two different unknown excerpts that are played. Things you might consider: instrumentation, vocal style, lyrics, rhythm/beat, style, form, etc. Based on your description, suggest who might have recorded the excerpt, and approximately what year it might have been released.

3. People, terms, and concepts (36 points)

After studying your notes from lectures, reading the assigned chapters in Schloss and Brackett, and studying the online Lecture Outlines and terms in **bold** print in the Schloss text, be able to answer true/false, multiple-choice, and short-answer questions concerning major people, terms and concepts covered in class this term.

4. Short essay (20 points)

You will be asked to compose a short essay (approximately three or four paragraphs) in response to a question based on "Coda: Patterns in Rock History" (Schloss, 376-378). Study these pages, and think about how the author's "generalizations" relate to specific artists, songs, genres, cultural issues, economic matters, etc. that were discussed in class and in your readings.

In your preparation, you may consult outside sources and discuss with other members of the class, but on the exam you will be required to write your response without referring to outside sources or notes. On the exam, be sure to write in complete sentences, with good organization of paragraphs, and with good grammar and spelling. Be sure to use plenty of specific examples to support your argument.