

MUSIC

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This is a guide based on the 2025-2026 Undergraduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress.

CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

"Critical Courses" are **italicized and bolded**. Data shows that students who have completed this course in the first two years and have earned the noted grade are most likely to complete this program of study.

50-54 Hour Major – No minor required

(A grade of 'C' or better is required for all courses within the major.)

- ___ MH181 The World of Music (3)
- ___ MH251 History & Literature of Music to 1800 (3)
- ___ **MH252 Evolution of Musical Style Since 1800 (3)**
- ___ MM001 Aural Skills (0)
- ___ MM002 Aural Skills (0)
- ___ **MM100 Music Fundamentals (3)**
- ___ **MM102 Intermediate Harmony & Melody (3)**
- ___ **MM105 Aural Skills I (1)**
- ___ **MM106 Aural Skills II (1)**
- ___ MM203 Advanced Harmony, Melody, and Form (3)
- ___ MM204 Music Theory through Composition, Arranging, & Orchestration (3)
- ___ MM207 Aural Skills III (1)
- ___ MM208 Aural Skills IV (1)
- ___ MP001 Recital (0)
- ___ MP1xx Applied Music (1-2)*
- ___ MP2xx Applied Music (1-2)*
- ___ MP3xx Applied Music (1-2)*
- ___ MP4xx Applied Music (1-2)*
- ___ MU001 Piano Proficiency (0)
- ___ MU002 Sophomore Review (0)
- ___ MU003 Major Field Assessment Test (0)
- ___ MU110 Recitals & Concerts (six semesters) (0)
- ___ MU151 Functional Piano I (1)**
- ___ MU152 Functional Piano II (1)**
- ___ MU253 Functional Piano III (1)**
- ___ MU254 Functional Piano IV (1)**
- ___ MU3xx Instrumental or Vocal Ensemble (5)
- ___ MU330 Music Business: Career Development (2)

Choose 10 hours: (minimum of 4 hours must be 300 level or above)

- ___ MC221 Digital Media Production (3)
- ___ MH310 Popular Music in America and Beyond (3)
- ___ MH320 A History of Music in Films and Video Games (3)
- ___ MH327 Jazz History (3)
- ___ MH340 Gender and Music (3)
- ___ MH350 Special Topics in Music History and Literature (2-3)
- ___ MH392 The Age of Romanticism (3)
- ___ MH393 Age of Modernism (3)
- ___ MH402 Music in World Cultures (3)
- ___ MM310 Music Creation Technology I (2)
- ___ MM312 Approaches to Musical Analysis (3)
- ___ MM324 Jazz Theory and Analysis (3)
- ___ MM325 Songwriting (2)
- ___ MM410 Music Creation Technology II (2)
- ___ MU123 Singer's Diction I (1)
- ___ MU124 Singer's Diction II (1)
- ___ MU251 Jazz Improv I (3)
- ___ MU3xx Ensemble (1) (3 hours maximum)
- ___ MU320 Jazz Improv II (3)
- ___ MU341 Basic Conducting (2)
- ___ MU424 Vocal Pedagogy (2)
- ___ MU430 Pedagogy: Applied Area (string, piano only) (2)
- ___ MU432 Literature: Applied Area (vocal, string, piano only) (2)
- ___ TH286 Audio Production I (3)
- ___ TH491 Music Theatre History I (3)

NOTE: Students must take a minimum of 15 hours outside of Music or choose a minor.

*A total of 8 hours of applied lessons must be earned.

**Students may elect to take the keyboard proficiency exam at any point within the first four semesters.

General Education Requirements – some requirements may be fulfilled by coursework in major program: Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 hours); Constitution Requirement (3 hours); Written Communication (6 hours); Oral Communication (3 hours); Natural Sciences (7 hours, from two disciplines, one to include a lab); Mathematics (3 hours); Humanities & Fine Arts (9 hours from at least two disciplines); Additional requirements (5 hours to include UI100 for native students); Civics examination.

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester		
	Course #	Hrs	Course #	Hrs	
FIRST YEAR	UI100	1	MM102	3	
	EN100	3	MM106	1	
	MH181	3	MP1XX	1-2	
	MM001	0	MU110	0	
	MM100	3	MU124*	1	
	MM105	1	MU152 (or proficiency)	1	
	MP1XX	1-2	MUxxx (major ensemble)	1	
	MU110	0	General Education	3	
	MU123*	1	General Education	3	
	MU151 (or proficiency)	1	General Education	3	
	MUxxx (major ensemble)	1			
	General Education	3			
	Total	18-19	Total	16-18	
Milestone: 2.0 cumulative grade point average.					
SECOND YEAR	MH251	3	MH252	3	
	MM203	3	MM002	0	
	MM207	1	MM204	3	
	MP2XX	1-2	MM208	1	
	MU110	0	MP2XX	1-2	
	MU253 (or proficiency)	1	MU001	0	
	MUxxx (major ensemble)	1	MU002	0	
	General Education	3	MU110	0	
	Elective	1-3	MU254 (or proficiency)	1	
			MUxxx (major ensemble)	1	
			General Education	3	
			General Education	3	
	Total	14-17	Total	15-17	
Milestone: 2.0 cumulative grade point average.					
THIRD YEAR	Music elective	3	Music elective	3	
	Music elective	1-3	MP001	0	
	MP3XX	1-2	MP3XX	1-2	
	MU110	0	MU110	0	
	General Education	3	MUxxx (major ensemble)	1	
	General Education	3	Required elective course	3	
	Elective	3	Minor	3	
			Minor	3	
			General Education	3	
	Total	14-17	Total	17-18	
	Milestone: 2.0 cumulative grade point average.				
	FOURTH YEAR	MP001	0	Music elective	3
		MP4xx	1-2	MP4xx	1-2
MU330		3	MU003	0	
Minor		3	Minor	3	
Minor		3	Elective	3	
Minor		3	Elective	3	
Total		13-14	Total	16-17	
Milestone: 2.0 cumulative grade point average.					

A "Milestone" signifies a significant stage for a student in the completion of a degree.

A minimum 2.00 GPA in the major and overall are required to graduate with a BM degree.

Degree requirements for all students: a minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of the General Education program, and completion of 39 senior division hours (300-599). Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or Degree Works for additional graduation requirements for your program.



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2025-2026 degree map

