

BA in Music

Degree Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Music requires a reduced number of courses within music than in the professionally-oriented BM degree, thereby making more hours available for non-music courses. The degree does, however, require a well-rounded set of courses that provide a solid musical foundation. In addition, the student has the flexibility to pursue a secondary area of interest. Most students pursuing a double major (music and another field) choose the BA degree. Students who wish to continue their study of music at the graduate level should choose the BM degree (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/music/>) that is aligned with their interest.

Major Program Requirements

Students who elect to earn a Bachelor of Arts with a major in Music will complete a general, liberal arts degree with a strong music emphasis. Students must also complete all degree, college and university graduation requirements, including Arts & Science Foundation Requirements. The degree is a program of 120 credit hours.

Courses completed in the D range may not fulfill music course requirements without the approval of the advisor and the dean, and the student must achieve an overall average of at least C (2.0) in all of the courses attempted in the School of Music. Academic music electives must be chosen from Instrumental and Vocal Repertory (http://catalog.missouri.edu/courseofferings/mus_i_vr/), Instrumental and Vocal Techniques (http://catalog.missouri.edu/courseofferings/mus_i_vt/), Music History and Literature (http://catalog.missouri.edu/courseofferings/mus_h_li/), or Music Theory (http://catalog.missouri.edu/courseofferings/mus_thry/) courses. General music electives may be drawn from any music course *except* for those listed as Music Courses for Non-Majors (http://catalog.missouri.edu/courseofferings/music_nm/). It is recommended that students who are not piano players take Group Piano for Music Majors, especially for students that may consider switching to a BM degree. If a student chooses a Senior Recital as a capstone experience, concurrent enrollment in MUS_APMS 3455 is required.

In addition to University (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), general education (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>), and College of Arts and Science (<http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/#undergraduatetext>) requirements, students must also meet the following major program requirements. All major requirements in the College of Arts and Science must be completed with grades of C- or higher unless otherwise indicated.

Major Core Requirements

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| MUS_APMS 2455 | Studio Instruction (Total of 8 credit hours) | 8 |
| MUS_ENS 1841 | Instrumental Ensemble | 4 |
| or MUS_ENS 1842 | Choral Ensemble | |
| MUS_THRY 1230 | Aural Training and Sight Singing I | 2 |
| MUS_THRY 1231 | Aural Training and Sight Singing II | 2 |
| MUS_THRY 1220 | Tonal Music Theory I | 2 |
| MUS_THRY 1221 | Tonal Music Theory II | 2 |
| MUS_THRY 2220 | Tonal Music Theory III | 2 |
| MUS_H_LI 1338 | Music and Culture | 2 |

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| MUS_H_LI 2307 | History of Western Music I | 2 |
| MUS_H_LI 2308 | History of Western Music II | 2 |
| MUS_APMS 4970 | Senior Recital (capstone) | 1 |
| or MUS_GENL 3085 | Problems in Music | |
| 3000–4000 level WI Course in Music | | 3 |
| MUS_THRY, MUS_H_LI, MUS_I_VR, or MUS_I_VT | Academic Music Electives | 5 |
| Music Electives (any music course except courses for non-majors) | | 3 |
| MUS_GENL 1091 | Recital Attendance for Undergraduate Music Majors (5 semesters) | 0 |
| Total Credits | | 40 |

Semester Plan

Below is a sample plan of study, semester by semester. A student's actual plan may vary based on course choices where options are available.

| First Year | | | |
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| Fall | CR | Spring | CR |
| MUS_APMS 2455 | | 2 MUS_APMS 2455 | 2 |
| MUS_ENS 1841 or 1842 | | 1 MUS_ENS 1841 or 1842 | 1 |
| MUS_THRY 1220 | | 2 MUS_THRY 1221 | 2 |
| MUS_THRY 1230 | | 2 MUS_THRY 1231 | 2 |
| MUS_GENL 1091 ^{Section 3} | | 0 MUS_H_LI 1338 | 2 |
| Electives and non-music courses | | 8 MUS_GENL 1091 | 0 |
| | | Electives and non-music courses | 6 |
| | | 15 | 15 |

| Second Year | | | |
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| Fall | CR | Spring | CR |
| MUS_APMS 2455 | | 2 MUS_APMS 2455 | 2 |
| MUS_ENS 1841 or 1842 | | 1 MUS_ENS 1841 or 1842 | 1 |
| MUS_THRY 2220 | | 2 MUS_H_LI 2308 | 2 |
| MUS_H_LI 2307 | | 2 MUS_GENL 1091 | 0 |
| MUS_GENL 1091 | | 0 Electives and non-music courses | 10 |
| Electives and non-music courses | | 8 | |
| | | 15 | 15 |

| Third Year | | | |
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| Fall | CR | Spring | CR |
| MUS_GENL 3085 or MUS_APMS 4970 (section 2) (Capstone) | | 1 Electives and non-music courses | 15 |
| MUS_GENL 1091 | | 0 | |
| Electives and non-music courses | | 14 | |
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| Fourth Year | | | |
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| Fall | CR | Spring | CR |
| Electives and non-music courses | | 15 Electives and non-music courses | 15 |
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Total Credits: 120