

Certificate in Music Production

The Music Production Certificate provides a strong foundation for students interested in audio recording, sound design, and music production, preparing them for careers in the creative and technical aspects of the music and media industries. The program emphasizes hands-on learning, offering students opportunities to work with industry-standard tools such as digital audio workstations, microphones, and mixing consoles. Core courses cover music technology, audio recording techniques, production and mixing, and live sound reinforcement, while elective options allow for exploration of electronic music, sound design, and arts entrepreneurship.

Designed to complement a wide range of degree programs, the certificate is ideal for students in music, theatre, journalism, and related fields, as well as those from other disciplines who want to develop technical and creative audio production skills. Graduates are well-prepared for entry-level roles in music production, live sound, broadcast, and media industries, as well as entrepreneurial opportunities in creative arts.

Requirements

A certificate consists of at least 12 credits; at least 12 credits must be taken in MU course work. Students must meet the minimum GPA requirements for a certificate, which in no case can be lower than 2.0. In addition, a student cannot receive a grade lower than a C- in any course applied towards a certificate in the College. For more information, please see Requirements for an Optional Certificate (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/#requirementsforanoptionalcertificate>).

Required Courses		8
MUS_GENL 4260	Introduction to Music Technology	2
MUS_GENL 4261	Audio Recording Techniques	2
MUS_GENL 4262	Music Production and Mixing	2
MUS_GENL 4263	Live Sound Reinforcement	2
Electives		4
MUS_THRY 3214	Commercial Music Creation and Production	3
MUS_THRY 4245	Introduction to Electronic Music	2
MUS_THRY 4247	Introduction to Digital Synthesis	2
MUS_THRY 4281	Analysis of Video Game Music	2
MUS_GENL 3085	Problems in Music	1-6
or MUS_GENL 3085H	Problems in Music - Honors	
MUS_GENL 4512	Principles of Arts Entrepreneurship	3
MUS_H_LI 4320	Historical Studies in African-American Music	3
THEATR 3550	Sound Design	3

For more information about the program, students should contact their academic advisor or reach out to Dr. Cory Brodack, the program coordinator, for guidance.