

BM in Music with Emphasis in Performance

Degree Program Description

The Bachelor of Music (BM) degree with an emphasis in Performance focuses on studio instruction, pedagogy, and literature for instrumental or vocal performance. Students select brass, percussion, piano, strings, voice, or woodwinds as a primary instrument. It is designed for the student who intends to pursue a career as a performer, teacher, or work in a music-related field, as well as the student who plans to enter graduate school to pursue further study in one of these areas. Students must audition to be admitted into the emphasis area.

Major Program Requirements

The program requires 120 credit hours, including courses in music theory, music history, studio instruction, and ensembles.

In addition to the list of required courses below for the emphasis in Performance for each track (brass, percussion, piano, string, vocal, or woodwind), students must complete the bachelor of music (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofartsandscience/music/bm-music/>), University (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/>), general education (<https://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducationrequirements/>), and College of Arts and Science (<https://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.

Brass Performance Track

MUS_GENL 1091	Recital Attendance for Undergraduate Music Majors (7 satisfactory semesters)	0
MUS_APMS 2455	Studio Instruction (total of 16 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 4455	Studio Instruction (total of 14 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 3970	Junior Recital	1
MUS_APMS 4970	Senior Recital	1
MUS_ENS 1841	Instrumental Ensemble (total of 8 credit hours)	1
MUS_ENS 1846	Chamber Music (total of 2 credit hours)	1
MUS_THRY 1220	Tonal Music Theory I	2
MUS_THRY 1221	Tonal Music Theory II	2
MUS_THRY 1230	Aural Training and Sight Singing I	2
MUS_THRY 1231	Aural Training and Sight Singing II	2
MUS_THRY 2220	Tonal Music Theory III	2
MUS_THRY 2221	Tonal Music Theory IV	2
MUS_THRY 2230	Aural Training and Sight Singing III	2
MUS_THRY 2231	Aural Training and Sight Singing IV	2
MUS_THRY 4220	Post-Tonal Music Theory	2
MUS_THRY 4224	Counterpoint	3
MUS_THRY 3xxx/4xxx	Music Theory Elective	2
MUS_H_LI 1338	Music and Culture	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	History of Western Music I	2
MUS_H_LI 2308	History of Western Music II	2

MUS_H_LI 43xx	Music History Elective	3
MUS_I_VT 1610	Group Piano for Music Majors I	1
MUS_I_VT 1611	Group Piano for Music Majors II	1
MUS_I_VT 2610	Group Piano for Music Majors III	1
MUS_I_VT 2611	Group Piano for Music Majors IV	1
MUS_I_VT 2631	Basic Conducting and Score Reading	2
MUS_I_VT 2634	Rehearsal Clinic: Band Conducting I	1
MUS_GENL 4510	Career Development for Musicians (Entrepreneurship Elective)	3
or MUS_GENL 4512	Principles of Arts Entrepreneurship	
or MUS_GENL 4516	Arts Finance	

Percussion Performance Track

MUS_GENL 1091	Recital Attendance for Undergraduate Music Majors (7 satisfactory semesters)	0
MUS_APMS 2455	Studio Instruction (total of 16 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 4455	Studio Instruction (total of 14 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 3970	Junior Recital	1
MUS_APMS 4970	Senior Recital	1
MUS_ENS 1841	Instrumental Ensemble (total of 8 credit hours)	1
MUS_ENS 1846	Chamber Music (total of 2 credit hours)	1
MUS_THRY 1220	Tonal Music Theory I	2
MUS_THRY 1221	Tonal Music Theory II	2
MUS_THRY 1230	Aural Training and Sight Singing I	2
MUS_THRY 1231	Aural Training and Sight Singing II	2
MUS_THRY 2220	Tonal Music Theory III	2
MUS_THRY 2221	Tonal Music Theory IV	2
MUS_THRY 2230	Aural Training and Sight Singing III	2
MUS_THRY 2231	Aural Training and Sight Singing IV	2
MUS_THRY 4220	Post-Tonal Music Theory	2
MUS_THRY 4224	Counterpoint	3
MUS_THRY 3xxx/4xxx	Music Theory Elective	2
MUS_H_LI 1338	Music and Culture	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	History of Western Music I	2
MUS_H_LI 2308	History of Western Music II	2
MUS_H_LI 43xx	Music History Elective	3
MUS_I_VT 1610	Group Piano for Music Majors I	1
MUS_I_VT 1611	Group Piano for Music Majors II	1
MUS_I_VT 2610	Group Piano for Music Majors III	1
MUS_I_VT 2611	Group Piano for Music Majors IV	1
MUS_I_VT 2631	Basic Conducting and Score Reading	2
MUS_GENL 4510	Career Development for Musicians (Entrepreneurship Elective)	3
or MUS_GENL 4512	Principles of Arts Entrepreneurship	
or MUS_GENL 4516	Arts Finance	

Piano Performance Track

MUS_GENL 1091	Recital Attendance for Undergraduate Music Majors (7 satisfactory semesters)	0
MUS_APMS 2455	Studio Instruction (total of 16 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 4455	Studio Instruction (total of 14 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 3970	Junior Recital	1
MUS_APMS 4970	Senior Recital	1

MUS_ENS 1841	Instrumental Ensemble (total of 2 credit hours)	1
or MUS_ENS 1842	Choral Ensemble	
MUS_ENS 1846	Chamber Music (total of 4 credit hours)	1
MUS_THRY 1220	Tonal Music Theory I	2
MUS_THRY 1221	Tonal Music Theory II	2
MUS_THRY 1230	Aural Training and Sight Singing I	2
MUS_THRY 1231	Aural Training and Sight Singing II	2
MUS_THRY 2220	Tonal Music Theory III	2
MUS_THRY 2221	Tonal Music Theory IV	2
MUS_THRY 2230	Aural Training and Sight Singing III	2
MUS_THRY 2231	Aural Training and Sight Singing IV	2
MUS_THRY 4220	Post-Tonal Music Theory	2
MUS_THRY 3xxx/4xxx	Music Theory Elective	2
MUS_THRY 4224	Counterpoint	3
MUS_H_LI 1338	Music and Culture	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	History of Western Music I	2
MUS_H_LI 2308	History of Western Music II	2
MUS_H_LI 43xx	Music History Elective	3
MUS_I_VT 2631	Basic Conducting and Score Reading	2
MUS_I_VT 2661	Keyboard Skills for Piano Majors I	2
MUS_I_VT 4665	Collaborative Piano Seminar	2
MUS_I_VR 3753	Piano Literature I	2
MUS_I_VR 3754	Piano Literature II	2
MUS_I_VT 4661	Piano Pedagogy Survey I	2
MUS_I_VT 4662	Piano Pedagogy Survey II	2
MUS_GENL 4510	Career Development for Musicians (Entrepreneurship Elective)	3
or MUS_GENL 4512	Principles of Arts Entrepreneurship	
or MUS_GENL 4516	Arts Finance	

String Performance Track

MUS_GENL 1091	Recital Attendance for Undergraduate Music Majors (7 satisfactory semesters)	0
MUS_APMS 2455	Studio Instruction (total of 16 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 4455	Studio Instruction (total of 14 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 3970	Junior Recital	1
MUS_APMS 4970	Senior Recital	1
MUS_ENS 1841	Instrumental Ensemble (University Philharmonic, total of 8 credit hours)	1
MUS_ENS 1846	Chamber Music (total of 2 credit hours)	1
MUS_THRY 1220	Tonal Music Theory I	2
MUS_THRY 1221	Tonal Music Theory II	2
MUS_THRY 1230	Aural Training and Sight Singing I	2
MUS_THRY 1231	Aural Training and Sight Singing II	2
MUS_THRY 2220	Tonal Music Theory III	2
MUS_THRY 2221	Tonal Music Theory IV	2
MUS_THRY 2230	Aural Training and Sight Singing III	2
MUS_THRY 2231	Aural Training and Sight Singing IV	2
MUS_THRY 4220	Post-Tonal Music Theory	2
MUS_THRY 4224	Counterpoint	3
MUS_THRY 3xxx/4xxx	Music Theory Elective	2
MUS_H_LI 1338	Music and Culture	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	History of Western Music I	2
MUS_H_LI 2308	History of Western Music II	2

MUS_H_LI 43xx	Music History Elective	3
MUS_I_VT 1610	Group Piano for Music Majors I	1
MUS_I_VT 1611	Group Piano for Music Majors II	1
MUS_I_VT 2610	Group Piano for Music Majors III	1
MUS_I_VT 2611	Group Piano for Music Majors IV	1
MUS_I_VT 2631	Basic Conducting and Score Reading	2
MUS_GENL 4510	Career Development for Musicians (Entrepreneurship Elective)	3
or MUS_GENL 4512	Principles of Arts Entrepreneurship	
or MUS_GENL 4516	Arts Finance	

Vocal Performance Track

MUS_GENL 1091	Recital Attendance for Undergraduate Music Majors (7 satisfactory semesters)	0
MUS_APMS 2455	Studio Instruction (total of 12 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 4455	Studio Instruction (total of 10 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 3970	Junior Recital	1
MUS_APMS 4970	Senior Recital	1
MUS_ENS 1842	Choral Ensemble (total of 8 credit hours)	1
MUS_ENS 1865	Opera Workshop (total of 2 credit hours)	1
MUS_THRY 1220	Tonal Music Theory I	2
MUS_THRY 1221	Tonal Music Theory II	2
MUS_THRY 1230	Aural Training and Sight Singing I	2
MUS_THRY 1231	Aural Training and Sight Singing II	2
MUS_THRY 2220	Tonal Music Theory III	2
MUS_THRY 2221	Tonal Music Theory IV	2
MUS_THRY 2230	Aural Training and Sight Singing III	2
MUS_THRY 2231	Aural Training and Sight Singing IV	2
MUS_THRY 4220	Post-Tonal Music Theory	2
MUS_THRY 4224	Counterpoint	3
MUS_H_LI 1338	Music and Culture	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	History of Western Music I	2
MUS_H_LI 2308	History of Western Music II	2
MUS_H_LI 43xx	Music History Elective	3
MUS_I_VT 1610	Group Piano for Music Majors I	1
MUS_I_VT 1611	Group Piano for Music Majors II	1
MUS_I_VT 2610	Group Piano for Music Majors III	1
MUS_I_VT 2611	Group Piano for Music Majors IV	1
MUS_I_VT 2631	Basic Conducting and Score Reading	2
MUS_I_VT 3670	Diction in Singing: Italian	1
MUS_I_VT 3671	Diction in Singing: German	1
MUS_I_VT 3672	Diction in Singing: French	1
MUS_I_VT 3673	Diction in Singing: English	1
MUS_I_VR 4767	Vocal Literature I	2
MUS_I_VR 4768	Vocal Literature II	2
MUS_GENL 4510	Career Development for Musicians (Entrepreneurship Elective)	3
or MUS_GENL 4512	Principles of Arts Entrepreneurship	
or MUS_GENL 4516	Arts Finance	

Woodwind Performance Track

MUS_GENL 1091	Recital Attendance for Undergraduate Music Majors (7 satisfactory semesters)	0
MUS_APMS 2455	Studio Instruction (total of 16 credit hours)	1-5

MUS_APMS 4455	Studio Instruction (total of 14 credit hours)	1-5
MUS_APMS 3970	Junior Recital	1
MUS_APMS 4970	Senior Recital	1
MUS_ENS 1841	Instrumental Ensemble (total of 8 credit hours)	1
MUS_ENS 1846	Chamber Music (total of 2 credit hours)	1
MUS_THRY 1220	Tonal Music Theory I	2
MUS_THRY 1221	Tonal Music Theory II	2
MUS_THRY 1230	Aural Training and Sight Singing I	2
MUS_THRY 1231	Aural Training and Sight Singing II	2
MUS_THRY 2220	Tonal Music Theory III	2
MUS_THRY 2221	Tonal Music Theory IV	2
MUS_THRY 2230	Aural Training and Sight Singing III	2
MUS_THRY 2231	Aural Training and Sight Singing IV	2
MUS_THRY 4220	Post-Tonal Music Theory	2
MUS_THRY 4224	Counterpoint	3
MUS_THRY 3xxx/4xxx	Music Theory Elective	2
MUS_H_LI 1338	Music and Culture	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	History of Western Music I	2
MUS_H_LI 2308	History of Western Music II	2
MUS_H_LI 43xx	Music History Elective	3
MUS_I_VT 1610	Group Piano for Music Majors I	1
MUS_I_VT 1611	Group Piano for Music Majors II	1
MUS_I_VT 2610	Group Piano for Music Majors III	1
MUS_I_VT 2611	Group Piano for Music Majors IV	1
MUS_I_VT 2631	Basic Conducting and Score Reading	2
MUS_GENL 4510	Career Development for Musicians (Entrepreneurship Elective)	3
or MUS_GENL 4512	Principles of Arts Entrepreneurship	
or MUS_GENL 4516	Arts Finance	

Semester Plan

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

Brass Performance Track

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_THRY 1220	2	MUS_THRY 1221	2
MUS_THRY 1230	2	MUS_THRY 1231	2
MUS_I_VT 1610	1	MUS_I_VT 1611	1
MUS_GENL 1091 (Section 3)	0	MUS_H_LI 1338	2
ENGLISH 1000	3	MUS_GENL 1091	0
		Math and Quantitative Reasoning	3
			15
			13

Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_THRY 2220	2	MUS_ENS 1846	1
MUS_THRY 2230	2	MUS_THRY 2221	2

MUS_H_LI 2307	2	MUS_THRY 2231	2
MUS_I_VT 2610	1	MUS_I_VT 2611	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_H_LI 2308	2
Missouri State Law Requirement: Social Science from Arts and Science	3	MUS_I_VT 2631	2
		MUS_GENL 1091	0
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Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_APMS 3970	1
MUS_THRY 4224W	3	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_I_VT 2634	1	MUS_ENS 1846	1
Entrepreneurship Elective (MUS_GENL 4510, 4512, or 4516)	3	MUS_THRY 4220	2
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_GENL 1091	0
Second language	4	Second language	4
		Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science	3
			16
			15

Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_APMS 4970 (section 1)	1
4000+ Music History Elective	3	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	3000+ Music Theory Elective	2
Second language	4	GEOL 1400	1
Behavioral or Social Science	3	Biological or Physical Science lab	5
		2000+ Behavioral or Social Science	3
			15
			16

Total Credits: 120

Percussion Performance Track

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_THRY 1220	2	MUS_THRY 1221	2
MUS_THRY 1230	2	MUS_THRY 1231	2
MUS_I_VT 1610	1	MUS_H_LI 1338	2
MUS_GENL 1091 (Section 3)	0	MUS_I_VT 1611	1
ENGLISH 1000	3	MUS_GENL 1091	0
		Math and Quantitative Reasoning	3
			13
			15

Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_THRY 2220	2	MUS_ENS 1846	1
MUS_THRY 2230	2	MUS_THRY 2221	2
MUS_I_VT 2610	1	MUS_THRY 2231	2

MUS_H_LI 2307	2	MUS_I_VT 2611	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_H_LI 2308	2
Missouri State Law Requirement: Social Science from Arts and Science	3	MUS_I_VT 2631	2
		MUS_GENL 1091	0
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Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_APMS 3970	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_THRY 4224W	3	MUS_ENS 1846	1
Entrepreneurship Elective (MUS_GENL 4510, 4512, or 4516)	3	MUS_THRY 4220	2
Second language	4	MUS_GENL 1091	0
		Second language	4
		Biological or Physical Science lab	4
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Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_APMS 4970 (section 1)	1
4000+ Music History Elective	3	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	3000+ Music Theory Elective	2
Second language	4	Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science	3
Behavioral or Social Science	3	Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science	3
		2000+ Behavioral or Social Science	3
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Total Credits: 120

Piano Performance Track

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
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
ENGLISH 1000	3	MUS_GENL 1091	0
Second language	4	Second lanugage	4
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Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
MUS_THRY 2220	2	MUS_THRY 2221	2
MUS_THRY 2230	2	MUS_THRY 2231	2
MUS_I_VT 2661	2	MUS_I_VT 4665	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	2	MUS_I_VT 2631	2
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_H_LI 2308	2
Second language	4	MUS_GENL 1091	0

		Math and Quantitative Reasoning	3
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Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1846	1	MUS_APMS 3970	1
MUS_I_VR 3753	2	MUS_ENS 1846	1
MUS_THRY 4224W	3	MUS_I_VR 3754	2
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_THRY 4220	2
Entrepreneurship Elective (MUS_GENL 4510, 4512, or 4516)	3	MUS_GENL 1091	0
Behavioral or Social Science	3	Missouri State Law Requirement: Social Science from Arts and Science	3
		Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science	3
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Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1846	1	MUS_APMS 4970 (section 1)	1
MUS_I_VT 4661	2	MUS_ENS 1846	1
3000+ Music Theory Elective	2	MUS_I_VT 4662	2
MUS_GENL 1091	0	4000+ Music History Elective	3
Biological or Physical Science lab	5	GEOL 1400	1
		Behavioral or Social Science	3
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Total Credits: 123

String Performance Track

First Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
MUS_ENS 1841 (Symphony Orchestra)	1	MUS_ENS 1841 (Symphony Orchestra)	1
MUS_THRY 1220	2	MUS_THRY 1221	2
MUS_THRY 1230	2	MUS_THRY 1231	2
MUS_I_VT 1610	1	MUS_I_VT 1611	1
MUS_GENL 1091 (Section 3)	0	MUS_H_LI 1338	2
ENGLISH 1000	3	MUS_GENL 1091	0
		Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science	3
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Second Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 2455	4	MUS_APMS 2455	4
MUS_ENS 1841 (Symphony Orchestra)	1	MUS_ENS 1841 (Symphony Orchestra)	1
MUS_THRY 2220	2	MUS_ENS 1846	1
MUS_THRY 2230	2	MUS_THRY 2221	2
MUS_I_VT 2610	1	MUS_THRY 2231	2
MUS_H_LI 2307	2	MUS_I_VT 2611	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_I_VT 2631	2

MUS_H_LI 2307	2 MUS_THRY 2231	2
MUS_I_VT 2610	1 MUS_I_VT 2611	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0 MUS_H_LI 2308	2
Missouri State Law Requirement: Social Science from Arts and Science	3 MUS_I_VT 2631	2
	MUS_GENL 1091	0
	15	15

Third Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_APMS 3970	1
MUS_THRY 4224W	3	MUS_ENS 1841	1
Entrepreneurship Elective (MUS_GENL 4510, 4512, or 4516)	3	MUS_ENS 1846	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	MUS_THRY 4220	2
Second language	4	MUS_GENL 1091	0
		Second language	4
		Biological or Physical Science lab	4
	15		16

Fourth Year			
Fall	CR	Spring	CR
MUS_APMS 4455	4	MUS_APMS 4455	3
MUS_ENS 1841	1	MUS_APMS 4970 (section 1)	1
4000+ Music History Elective	3	MUS_ENS 1841	1
MUS_GENL 1091	0	3000+ Music Theory Elective	2
Second language	4	Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science	3
Behavioral or Social Science	3	Biological, Physical, or Mathematical Science	3
		2000+ Behavioral or Social Science	3
	15		16

Total Credits: 120