

Music - Instrumental Major (B.Mus.)

Major Requirements

Degree Type: B.Mus.
Minimum Credits Required: 128

University Degree Requirements

For complete details on these and other university degree requirements, refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section in the University Catalog.

1. Minimum of 120 semester credits (some programs may exceed this minimum).
2. Complete the University General Education requirements.
3. Minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
4. Minimum of 30 credits in resident at NDSU.
5. Minimum of 36 upper level credits (courses numbered 300 or higher).
6. Students with transfer credit must meet the NDSU 30 credits in residence (#4). Of these 30 credits in residence, a minimum of 15 credits must be in courses numbered 300 or above, and 15 credits must be in the student's declared major curricula.

University General Education Requirements

A list of university approved general education courses along with the administrative policies governing the requirement and the categories is available here (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/>).

Code	Title	Credits
Category C: Communication		12
Category R: Quantitative Reasoning		3
Category S: Science and Technology		10
Category A: Humanities and Fine Arts		6
Category B: Social and Behavioral Sciences		6
Category W: Wellness		2
Category D: Cultural Diversity		
Category G: Global Perspectives		
Category L: Digital Literacy		
Total Credits		39

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A grade of 'C' or better is required in all MUSC prefix courses.

Code	Title	Credits
Music Core Requirements		
MUSC 103	Introduction to Music History (May satisfy general education category A)	3
MUSC 130	Theory and Analysis I	3
MUSC 131	Theory and Analysis II	3
MUSC 132	Ear Training & Sight Singing I	1
MUSC 133	Ear Training & Sight Singing II	1
MUSC 189	Skills for Academic Success ¹	1
MUSC 230	Theory and Analysis III	3
MUSC 231	Theory and Analysis IV	3
MUSC 232	Ear Training & Sight Singing III	1
MUSC 233	Ear Training & Sight Singing IV	1
MUSC 331	Instrumental Arranging	2
MUSC 340	Music History I	3
MUSC 341	Music History II	3
MUSC 344	Wind Band Literature	2

or MUSC 441	Symphonic Literature	
MUSC 380	Recital	1
MUSC 351	Instrumental Conducting & Literature	2
MUSC 385	Music Entrepreneurship	3
MUSC 480	Recital	1
Advanced Theory		
MUSC 435	Topics in Music Theory (must be taken two times)	6
Pedagogy		2
Select 2 credits from the following:		2
MUSC 173	Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 273	Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 373	Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 473	Supplementary Applied Study	
Applied Music		
Select 22 credits from the following: (2 semesters each of 100 level, 200 level, 300 level; 1 semester of 400 level)		22
Wind Instruments:		
MUSC 168 & MUSC 173	Applied Wind Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 268 & MUSC 273	Applied Wind Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 368 & MUSC 373	Applied Wind Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 468 & MUSC 473	Applied Wind Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
Percussion:		
MUSC 169 & MUSC 173	Applied Percussion Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 269 & MUSC 273	Applied Percussion Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 369 & MUSC 373	Applied Percussion Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 469 & MUSC 473	Applied Percussion Instruments and Supplementary Applied Study	
Upper Strings:		
MUSC 170 & MUSC 173	Applied Upper Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 270 & MUSC 273	Applied Upper Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 370 & MUSC 373	Applied Upper Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 470 & MUSC 473	Applied Upper Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
Lower Strings:		
MUSC 171 & MUSC 173	Applied Lower Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 271 & MUSC 273	Applied Lower Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 371 & MUSC 373	Applied Lower Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
MUSC 471 & MUSC 473	Applied Lower Strings and Supplementary Applied Study	
Guitar:		
MUSC 172 & MUSC 173	Applied Guitar and Supplementary Applied Study	

MUSC 272 & MUSC 273	Applied Guitar and Supplementary Applied Study
MUSC 372 & MUSC 373	Applied Guitar and Supplementary Applied Study
MUSC 472 & MUSC 473	Applied Guitar and Supplementary Applied Study

Applied Piano: Class or individual study

Select 4 credits from the following: 4

MUSC 160 or MUSC 165	Piano Class I (Up to 2 semesters of MUSC 165 with permission) Applied Piano
MUSC 161	Piano Class II
MUSC 260	Piano Class III
MUSC 261	Piano Class IV

Jazz Studies

Select 4 credits from the following: 4

MUSC 311	Jazz Ensemble
MUSC 357	Marching Band Methods and Techniques
MUSC 364	Jazz Improvisation
MUSC 166	Applied Composition
MUSC 266	Applied Composition

Major Ensemble

Select 8 credits from the following: 8

MUSC 303	Wind Symphony (or as approved by adviser)
MUSC 304	University Symphony Orchestra (for string majors)

Minor Ensembles

Select 4 credits from the following: 4

MUSC 111	Marching Band
MUSC 112	University Band
MUSC 311	Jazz Ensemble
MUSC 314	Brass Chamber Ensemble
MUSC 315	Woodwind Chamber Ensemble
MUSC 316	String Chamber Ensemble
MUSC 318	Mixed Chamber Ensemble
MUSC 322	Jazz Combo
Or as approved by adviser ²	

Total Credits 89

¹ MUSC 189 is only required for first-time, first-year students--A first-time, first-year student is defined as a student who has not yet completed a college course as a college student. Students that are not first-time, first-year students that either transfer into the university or change their major are not required to take MUSC 189.

² Courses approved by advisor will require a substitution form to be submitted to the Office of Registration and Records for degree progress inclusion.

Degree Notes

- Music majors may not declare a music minor.