

# Music

## Department Information

- **Department Web Site:**  
www.ndsu.edu/performingarts/music/ (<http://www.ndsu.edu/performingarts/music/>)
- **Credential Offered:**  
B.A.; B.S.; B.Mus.; Minor
- **Official Program Curriculum:**  
[catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/music/](http://catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/music/) (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/music/>)

## Sample Program Guide

IMPORTANT DISCLAIMER: A Sample Program Guide provides an unofficial guide of program requirements and should be used by prospective students who are considering attending NDSU in the future. It is NOT an official curriculum and should NOT be used by current NDSU students for official degree planning purposes. Note that the official curriculum used by current NDSU students can vary from the Sample Program Guide due to a variety of factors such as, but not limited to, start year, education goals, transfer credit, and course availability.

To ensure proper program completion, enrolled students should utilize Degree Map (<https://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/degreemap/>) and Schedule Planner (<https://www.ndsu.edu/onestop/degree-map-and-planning/>) in Campus Connection and consult regularly with their academic advisor to ensure requirements are being met.

Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 103	3
MUSC 132		1 MUSC 131	3
MUSC 189		1 MUSC 133	1
MUSC 1XX Applied Lessons		1 MUSC 1XX Applied Study	1
Major Ensemble		1 Major Ensemble	1
ENGL 110		3 ENGL 120	3
COMM 110		3 Social/Behavioral Gen Ed Category B	3
Science & Technology Gen Ed Category S		3	
		<b>16</b>	<b>15</b>
Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 230		3 MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232		1 MUSC 233	1
MUSC 2XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 2XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Quantitative Reasoning Gen Ed Category R		3 Social/Behavioral-Cultural Diversity Gen Ed Category B	3
Minor elective/Language elective		3 Science & Technology Gen Ed with Lab Category S	4
Minor elective/Language elective		3 Minor elective/Language elective	3
		<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 340 <sup>counts as a Humanities and Fine Arts Gen Ed</sup>		3 MUSC 341	3
MUSC 3XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 3XX Applied Study	1

MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
College Requirement course	3	Minor elective/Language elective	3
Minor elective/Language elective	3	College Requirement course	3
Upper Division Writing	3	Music Elective course	3
		Music Elective course	3
	<b>14</b>		<b>17</b>
<b>Senior</b>			
<b>Fall</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Music Elective		3 MUSC 385	3
College Requirement		3 Capstone Experience	1
Minor requirement or Language III		3 Music Elective	3
Science & Tech/Global Perspectives Gen Ed Category S		3 Music Elective	3
Wellness Gen Ed Category W		2 Minor elective/Language elective	3
		<b>14</b>	<b>13</b>

**Total Credits: 120**

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## Degree Requirements and Notes

- Music majors may not declare a music minor.
- A grade of 'C' or better is required in all MUSC prefix courses.
- Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences College Requirements: An additional 9 credits are required by the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences for all Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Arts degree programs of study, except the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, the Bachelor of Music degree, Bachelor of Landscape Architecture degree, and the Bachelor of Science in Architecture degree
- Bachelor of Science (B.S) Degree - The completion of a minor program of study, a second major, or a second degree is required.
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Degree - Second year language proficiency at college level required.
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- B.A./B.S. Recital Capstone or Individual Study Capstone is fulfilled by registration in MUSC 380 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20380>) Recital, MUSC 480 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20480>) Recital, or MUSC 494 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20494>) Individual Study. The MUSC 494 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20494>) Individual Study registration is approved by the music faculty and supervised by the adviser. Possibilities include:
  - Half (MUSC 380 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20380>) Recital) or full (MUSC 480 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20480>) Recital) recital with program notes.
  - Approved research project on a topic related to music; requires a formal written document (MUSC 494 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20494>) Individual Study).
  - Approved internship, such as directing an ensemble (e.g. church choir), teaching at the NDSU Academy, observed regularly by the advisor, with a formal written document of the experience (MUSC 494 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20494>) Individual Study).
  - Approved "lecture recital" with a formal presentation. Lecture recital should be at least the same length as a half recital (MUSC 494 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20494>) Individual Study)
  - Performance or major opera role or a major solo with ensemble in a formal concert, accompanied by a summary document (MUSC 494 (<https://bulletin.ndsu.edu/search/?P=MUSC%20494>) Individual Study)