

Music

Department Information

- **Department Web Site:**
www.ndsu.edu/performingarts/music/ (<http://www.ndsu.edu/performingarts/music/>)
- **Credential Offered:**
B.S.; B.A.; B.Mus.; Minor
- **Sample Program Guide:**
catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/music/ (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/programs-study/undergraduate/music/>)

Major Requirements

Major: Music - Instrumental Performance

Degree Type: B.Mus.

Minimum Degree Credits to Graduate: 128

University Degree Requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of all requirements of the curriculum in which one is enrolled.
2. Earn a minimum total of 120 credits in approved coursework. Some academic programs exceed this minimum.
3. Satisfactory completion of the general education requirements as specified by the university.
4. A minimum institutional GPA of 2.00 based on work taken at NDSU.
5. At least 30 credits must be NDSU resident credits. Resident credits include credits registered and paid for at NDSU.
6. At least 36 credits presented for graduation must be in courses numbered 300 or higher.
7. Students presenting transfer credit must meet the NDSU residence credits and the minimum upper level credit. Of the 30 credits earned in residence, a minimum of 15 semester credits must be in courses numbered 300 or above, and 15 semester credits must be in the student's curricula for their declared major.

For complete information, please refer to the Degree and Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2023-24/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/>) section of this Bulletin.

University General Education Requirements

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Communication (C) | | 12 |
| ENGL 110 | College Composition I | |
| ENGL 120 | College Composition II | |
| COMM 110 | Fundamentals of Public Speaking | |
| Upper Division Writing † | | |
| Quantitative Reasoning (R) † | | 3 |
| Science and Technology (S) † | | 10 |
| Humanities and Fine Arts (A) † | | 6 |
| Social and Behavioral Sciences (B) † | | 6 |
| Wellness (W) † | | 2 |
| Cultural Diversity (D) **† | | |
| Global Perspectives (G) **† | | |
| Total Credits | | 39 |

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May be satisfied by completing courses in another General Education category.

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General education courses may be used to satisfy requirements for both general education and the major, minor, and program emphases, where applicable. Students should carefully review major requirements to determine if specific courses can also satisfy these general education categories.

- A list of university approved general education courses and administrative policies are available here (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2023-24/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/general-education/#genedcoursestext>).

Major Requirements

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

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| 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 341 | Music History II | 3 |
| MUSC 380 | Recital | 1 |
| MUSC 340 | Music History I | 3 |
| MUSC 351 | Instrumental Conducting & Literature | 2 |
| MUSC 385 | Music Entrepreneurship | 3 |
| MUSC 480 | Recital | 1 |
| Advanced Theory - select 2 of the following 3 courses | | 6 |
| MUSC 411 | Form and Analysis | |
| MUSC 430 | Counterpoint | |
| MUSC 431 | Contemporary Harmonic Techniques | |
| Pedagogy: 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 | |

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| 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 | |
| Instrumental Track | | |
| MUSC 331 | Instrumental Arranging | 2 |
| Literature | | |
| MUSC 344 or MUSC 441 | Wind Band Literature Symphonic Literature | 2 |
| Applied Piano: Class or individual study | | 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 384 | Composition I | |
| MUSC 484 | Composition II | |
| 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

Total Credits

87

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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.

Degree Notes

- Music majors may not declare a music minor.