

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/>)

North Dakota State University offers the most comprehensive degree programs for music majors in the region and provides outstanding musical opportunities for all NDSU students.

The Program

The NDSU Challey School of Music features excellent students, faculty, staff and facilities. The program has been continuously accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music since 1970 and has a strong tradition of excellence in ensembles dating back to 1904. Faculty and staff members are committed to providing outstanding musical opportunities for all NDSU students—whether they aspire to be professional musicians or only wish to take advantage of NDSU's many musical opportunities.

The Faculty

NDSU music faculty members have international credentials in performance, music education and academic studies. All full time faculty members have doctorates in music; adjunct faculty members and graduate students provide additional instruction to achieve a well-balanced program.

The Degrees

NDSU's Challey School of Music offers the largest variety of degree programs in the region, from liberal arts degrees with emphases in music to professional music degrees at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral levels.

Undergraduate music majors take courses in music theory, music literature, music history, and conducting; receive private lessons on a selected instrument and/or in voice; and participate in a major ensemble. Other courses are selected within chosen areas of concentration. In all programs, applied instrumental or vocal studies develop musicianship and performance ability. Students are accepted for private lessons depending upon demonstrated musical ability and available staff resources.

The Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) and Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in music are liberal arts degrees with an emphasis in music. In addition to a general education core and the music concentration, students complete either a two-year competency in a foreign language or a complementary minor degree. Students take a minimum of 15 credits in music electives.

The Bachelor of Music (B.Mus.) with an option in music education leads to K-12 vocal and instrumental certification for North Dakota public schools, and satisfies basic agreements in the primary area for Minnesota certifications.

The B.Mus. in performance leads to professional performing careers or preparation for graduate school. Students select a concentration in instrumental, vocal or piano studies.

The B.Mus in composition leads to professional careers or preparation for graduate school.

NDSU also offers the Master of Music and the Doctor of Musical Arts degrees.

Further, the School of Music offers a minor in music consisting of 20 credit hours of music classes, including applied study, ensembles, academic studies and electives.

Career Opportunities

Degree programs in music education prepare students for opportunities as elementary, high school or college teachers, while performance degree students usually seek performing or conducting careers. Graduates often choose careers as professional teachers, instrumentalists or vocalists, and conductors. There are also more general opportunities in various music industries.

Music Performance Opportunities

All music ensembles are open to any NDSU student without regard to major and provide course credit (generally one semester hour for each group listed). Ensembles are some of the most rewarding experiences in college, and all students with musical interests are encouraged to participate.

The **Gold Star Marching Band** plays for all home NDSU football games and marches in special events during fall semester. The group rehearses three days per week and is open to all students.

The **Concert Choir** meets five days per week, both fall and spring semesters. Open by audition, the group tours regionally or nationally on an annual basis and to European countries every three years.

The **NDSU Wind Symphony** is NDSU's large concert ensemble for wind and percussion instruments. Members meet both fall and spring semesters and tour annually. Open by audition.

A smaller ensemble, **Madrigal Singers**, performs repertoire from the renaissance through contemporary periods. This auditioned group meets three days per week fall and spring semesters and produces the annual Madrigal Dinners in December and tours with the Concert Choir. Members are auditioned from Concert Choir.

The **Jazz Ensembles** are two jazz big bands, generally of about 20 musicians each. Ensembles meet two times per week fall and spring semesters. Open by audition.

In **Opera Theatre**, opera scenes are rehearsed and produced each semester. This auditioned group meets three times per week. The School of Music traditionally produces a fully staged opera or musical every year in the spring semester.

A second concert band, **University Band** is open to all students by audition for section placement. University Band meets three times per week and has two concerts each semester. The **University Symphony Orchestra** performs 2 concerts each semester.

The **University Chamber Singers** is an auditioned mixed choir of students from many different majors and disciplines. They perform a wide variety of music and sing in at least two concerts each semester. There is an audition for this ensemble.

Cantemus performs SA literature from all periods and meets two times per week. **NDSU Statesmen** performs TB literature from all periods and meets two times per week. Both choirs perform at least two concerts each semester. There is no audition for these ensembles.

Chamber ensembles include the percussion ensemble, brass ensemble, brass chamber ensembles, woodwind chamber ensembles (including flute quartets, clarinet ensembles, saxophone quartets and mixed woodwinds), vocal chamber ensembles, piano chamber ensembles and jazz combos.

The Curricula

Music degree programs vary because of the numerous options available. All music degrees, however, feature a general core of music classes that includes applied lessons, ensembles, supportive music courses, academic music studies and electives. Curriculum guides are available online and from the School of Music.

Sample Program Guide

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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 103	3
MUSC 132		1 MUSC 131	3
MUSC 160 ²		1 MUSC 133	1
MUSC 174 ²		1 MUSC 1XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 189		1 MUSC 161 ^{Only required for vocal majors}	1
MUSC 1XX Applied Lessons		1 Major Ensemble	1
Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 175 ^{Only required for vocal majors}	1
ENGL 110		3 ENGL 120	3
COMM 110		3 Gen Ed Social/Behavioral Sci	3
		15	17
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
Gen Ed Quantitative Reasoning	3	Gen Ed Social/Behavioral Sci & Cultural Diversity	3
Minor elective/Language elective	3	Minor elective/Language elective	3
Minor elective/Language elective	3		
	15		12

Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 340		3 MUSC 341	3
MUSC 3XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 3XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Minor elective/Language elective		3 Minor elective/Language elective	3
Gen Ed Science/Tech w/ Lab		4 Music Elective course ³	2-6
Gen Ed Upper Division Writing		3 Gen Ed Humanities/Fine Arts	3
		Free Elective	3
	15		16-20

Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
Music Elective		3 MUSC 385	3
Minor requirement or Language III		3 Capstone Experience	1
Gen Ed Science/Tech & Global Perspectives		3 Music Elective	3
Gen Ed Wellness		2 Music Elective	3
Gen Ed Science/Tech		3 Minor elective/Language elective	3
		Free Elective	3
	14		16

Total Credits: 120-124

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Vocal needs 2 credits; Instrumental needs 6 credits

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)

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STUDENTS ENTERING AS A FRESHMAN IN AN ODD-YEAR FALL

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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
FRESHMAN - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		FRESHMAN - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 132		1 MUSC 131	3
MUSC 160 (Up to 2 semesters of MUSC 165 with permission)		1 MUSC 133	1
MUSC 1XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 161	1
MUSC 189		1 MUSC 1XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 173	1
MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
		15	15
Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOPHOMORE - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SOPHOMORE - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 230		3 MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232		1 MUSC 233	1
MUSC 260		1 MUSC 261	1
MUSC 2XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 2XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 273		1 MUSC 273	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC 1XX Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC 1XX Minor Ensemble	1
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)		3 Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)	3

Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3	Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)	4
15		17	
Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
JUNIOR - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		JUNIOR - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 340		3 MUSC 341	3
MUSC 3XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC 373 ^{1 credit of pedagogy}		3 MUSC 3XX Applied Study	1
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S - Global Perspectives)		3 MUSC 373 (1 credit of pedagogy)	3
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 380	1
Jazz Studies		1 MUSC 441	2
MUSC 411, 430, or 434		3 Jazz Studies	1
		ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
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Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SENIOR - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SENIOR - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 331		2 MUSC 351	2
MUSC 431 ^{need 2 courses of Advanced Theory from MUSC 411, MUSC 430, MUSC 431, MUSC 434}		3 MUSC 385	3
MUSC 4XX Applied Studies		1 MUSC 4XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 473		3 MUSC 473	3
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 480	1
Jazz Studies		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)		2 Jazz Studies	1
		Quantitative Reasoning ^(Gen Ed category R)	3
13		15	

Total Credits: 120

STUDENTS ENTERING AS A FRESHMAN IN AN EVEN-YEAR FALL

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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
FRESHMAN - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 131	3
MUSC 132		1 MUSC 133	1
MUSC 160 (Up to 2 semesters of MUSC 165 with permission)		1 MUSC 161	1
MUSC 1XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 1XX Applied Study	1

MUSC 189	1	MUSC 173	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3		

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Sophomore

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOPHOMORE - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SOPHOMORE - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 230	3	MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232	1	MUSC 233	1
MUSC 260	1	MUSC 261	1
MUSC 2XX Applied Study	1	MUSC 2XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 273	1	MUSC 273	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)	3	Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)	4
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3		

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Junior

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
JUNIOR - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		JUNIOR - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 331	2	MUSC 341	3
MUSC 340 ^{counts as a Humanities and Fine Arts Gen Ed}	3	MUSC 351	2
MUSC 3XX Applied Study	1	MUSC 3XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 373 ^{1 credit of pedagogy}	3	MUSC 373 (1 credit of pedagogy)	3
MUSC 431 ^{need 2 courses of Advanced Theory from MUSC 411, MUSC 430, MUSC 431, MUSC 434}	3	MUSC 380	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 385	3
Jazz Studies	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)	2	Jazz Studies	1

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Senior

Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SENIOR - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SENIOR - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 411	3	MUSC 441	2
MUSC 4XX Applied Study	1	MUSC 4XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 473	3	MUSC 473	3
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 480	1
Jazz Studies	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1

ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)	3 Jazz Studies	1
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)	3 Quantitative Reasoning ^(Gen Ed category R)	3
	Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S - Global Perspectives)	3
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Total Credits: 120

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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
FRESHMAN - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 131	3
MUSC 132		1 MUSC 133	1
MUSC 165		1 MUSC 165	1
MUSC 189 ¹		1 MUSC 173	1
MUSC 443		3 MUSC 423	3
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3	
Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)		2	
		17	15
Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOPHOMORE - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SOPHOMORE - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 230		3 MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232		1 MUSC 233	1
MUSC 265		1 MUSC 265	1
MUSC 273		2 MUSC 273	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)		3 Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)	3
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)		4 Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3
		16	15

Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
JUNIOR - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		JUNIOR - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 340 ^(Gen Ed category A)		3 MUSC 341	3
MUSC 411 or 434		3 MUSC 346, 442, or 441	2
MUSC 443		3 MUSC 365	1
MUSC 365		1 MUSC 373	2
MUSC 373		2 MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1
MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC 380	1
ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 MUSC 385	3
		MUSC 423	3
		Music Elective ^{Choose from MUSC 166, 319, 321 or 494}	1
	16		17
Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SENIOR - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SENIOR - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 352 or 351		2 MUSC 423	3
MUSC 431 ^{need 3 courses of Advanced Theory from MUSC 411, MUSC 430, MUSC 431, MUSC 434}		3 MUSC 430 ^{need 3 courses of Advanced Theory from MUSC 411, MUSC 430, MUSC 431, MUSC 434}	3
MUSC 465		1 MUSC 465	1
MUSC 473		2 MUSC 473	3
MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC 480	1
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S - Global Perspectives)		3 MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1
Music Elective ^{Choose from MUSC 166, 319, 321 or 494}		1 Music Elective ^{Choose from MUSC 166, 319, 321 or 494}	1
	13		13

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Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
FRESHMAN - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 131	3

MUSC 132	1	MUSC 133	1
MUSC 165	1	MUSC 165	1
MUSC 189 ¹	1	MUSC 173	1
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)	2
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)	3		
15		14	

Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOPHOMORE - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SOPHOMORE - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 230	3	MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232	1	MUSC 233	1
MUSC 265	1	MUSC 265	1
MUSC 273	2	MUSC 273	2
MUSC 443	3	MUSC 423	3
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)	4	Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3
16		15	

Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
JUNIOR - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		JUNIOR - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 340 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3	MUSC 341	3
MUSC 431 ^{need 3 courses of Advanced Theory from MUSC 411, MUSC 430, MUSC 431, MUSC 434}	3	MUSC 365	1
MUSC 365	1	MUSC 373	2
MUSC 373	2	MUSC 380	1
MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC 385	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)	3	MUSC 430 ^{need 3 courses of Advanced Theory from MUSC 411, MUSC 430, MUSC 431, MUSC 434}	3
ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
		Music Elective ^{Choose from MUSC 166, 319, 321 or 494}	1
16		15	

Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SENIOR - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SENIOR - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 352 or 351	2	MUSC 423	3
MUSC 442, 346, or 441	2	MUSC 434 or 411	3

MUSC 443	3	MUSC 465	1
MUSC 465	1	MUSC 473	3
MUSC 473	3	MUSC 480	1
MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S - Global Perspectives)	3	Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)	3
	Music Elective ^{Choose from MUSC 166, 319, 321 or 494}		1
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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
FRESHMAN - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		FRESHMAN - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 130	3	MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 132	1	MUSC 131	3
MUSC 160 (Up to 2 semesters of MUSC 165 with permission)	1	MUSC 133	1
MUSC 167	1	MUSC 161	1
MUSC 174	1	MUSC 167	1
MUSC 189 ¹	1	MUSC 173	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 175	1
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)	2		
17			15
Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOPHOMORE - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SOPHOMORE - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 230	3	MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232	1	MUSC 233	1
MUSC 260	1	MUSC 261	1

MUSC 267	1	MUSC 267	1
MUSC 273	2	MUSC 273	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)	3	Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)	3
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)	4	Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3
		Quantitative Reasoning ^(Gen Ed category R)	3

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Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
JUNIOR - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		JUNIOR - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 340 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3	MUSC 341	3
MUSC 349	2	MUSC 346	2
MUSC 367	1	MUSC 367	1
MUSC 373	2	MUSC 373	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1
FREN 101 (or German I)	4	MUSC 380	1
ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	MUSC 385	3
		FREN 102 (or German II) ^{Global Perspectives Gen Ed}	4

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Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SENIOR - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SENIOR - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 431 ^{need 2 courses of Advanced Theory from MUSC 411, MUSC 430, MUSC 431, MUSC 434}	3	MUSC 430, 411, or 431	3
MUSC 467	1	MUSC 442	2
MUSC 473 (Students may take THEA 268 Acting the Song I instead of 3 credits of Supplementary Applied Study)	2	MUSC 467	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 473	3
MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC 480	1
GERM 101 (or French I)	4	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3	MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1
		GERM 102 (or French II)	4

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FOR FRESHMAN ENROLLING FOR THE FIRST TIME IN AN EVEN-YEAR FALL

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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
FRESHMAN - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		FRESHMAN - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 132		1 MUSC 131	3
MUSC 160		1 MUSC 133	1
MUSC 167		1 MUSC 161	1
MUSC 174		1 MUSC 167	1
MUSC 189		1 MUSC 173	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 175	1
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)		2	
		17	15
Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SOPHOMORE - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SOPHOMORE - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 230		3 MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232		1 MUSC 233	1
MUSC 260		1 MUSC 261	1
MUSC 267		1 MUSC 267	1
MUSC 273		2 MUSC 273	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)		3 Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)	3
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)		4 Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3
		Quantitative Reasoning ^(Gen Ed category R)	3
		16	18
Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
JUNIOR - EVEN YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		JUNIOR - ODD YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 340 ^(Gen Ed category A)		3 MUSC 341	3
MUSC 367		1 MUSC 367	1

MUSC 373	2	MUSC 373	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1
FREN 101 (or German I)	4	MUSC 380	1
ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	MUSC 430	3
		MUSC 442	2
		FREN 102 (or German II) ^{Global Perspectives Gen Ed}	4

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Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
SENIOR - ODD YEAR - FALL SEMESTER		SENIOR - EVEN YEAR - SPRING SEMESTER	
MUSC 349	2	MUSC 346	2
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 385	3
MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC 411	3	MUSC 3XX Minor Ensemble	1
MUSC 467	1	MUSC 467	1
MUSC 473	2	MUSC 473	3
GERM 101 (or French I)	4	MUSC 480	1
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3	GERM 102 (or French II)	4
	17		16

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Students entering as a freshmen in an odd year fall

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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 130	3	MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 132	1	MUSC 131	3
MUSC 160 (Up to 2 semesters of MUSC 165 with permission)	1	MUSC 133	1
MUSC 189 ¹	1	MUSC 161	1
MUSC 1XX Applied Study	1	MUSC 1XX Applied Study	1

MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1	MUSC 166	1
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3	ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)	2		

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Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 230		3 MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232		1 MUSC 233	1
MUSC 260		1 MUSC 261	1
MUSC 2XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 2XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 266		1 MUSC 266	1
MUSC 273		1 MUSC 273	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Music Elective		1 Music Elective	3
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)		4 Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3

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Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 340 ^(Gen Ed category A)		3 MUSC 341	3
MUSC 1XX Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 366	1
MUSC 3XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 373	1
MUSC 366		1 MUSC 385	3
MUSC 373		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC 411, 431, or 434		3 MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1
ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)		3	

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Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 331		2 MUSC 430	3
MUSC 352 or 351		2 MUSC 466	1
MUSC 466		1 MUSC 473	1
MUSC 473		1 MUSC 480	1
Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC 494 (Capstone)	1
Music Elective		3 Music Elective	3
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S - Global Perspectives)		3 Minor Ensemble	1

Free Elective	3	Quantitative Reasoning ^(Gen Ed category R)	3
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Freshman			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 130		3 MUSC 103 ^(Gen Ed category A)	3
MUSC 132		1 MUSC 131	3
MUSC 160 (Up to 2 semesters of MUSC 165 with permission))		1 MUSC 133	1
MUSC 189 ¹		1 MUSC 161	1
MUSC 1XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 1XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 166	1
ENGL 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
COMM 110 ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 ENGL 120 ^(Gen Ed category C)	3
Wellness ^(Gen Ed category W)		2	
	16		14

Sophomore			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 230		3 MUSC 231	3
MUSC 232		1 MUSC 233	1
MUSC 260		1 MUSC 261	1
MUSC 2XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 2XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 266		1 MUSC 266	1
MUSC 273		1 MUSC 273	1
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
Music Elective		1 Music Elective	3
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S with Lab)		4 Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S)	3
	14		15

Junior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 331		2 MUSC 341	3
MUSC 340 ^(Gen Ed category A)		3 MUSC 3XX Applied Study	1
MUSC 366		1 MUSC 366	1
MUSC 373		1 MUSC 373	1
MUSC 3XX Applied Study		1 MUSC 430, 431, or 434	3
MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble		1 MUSC 3XX Major Ensemble	1
MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC XXX Minor Ensemble	1

ENGL 322 (or any upper division English course approved by adviser) ^(Gen Ed category C)		3 Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B)	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences ^(Gen Ed category B - Cultural Diversity)		3	
		16	14
Senior			
Fall	Credits	Spring	Credits
MUSC 352		2 MUSC 385	3
MUSC 411, 431, or 434		3 MUSC 466	1
MUSC 466		1 MUSC 473	1
MUSC 473		1 MUSC 480	1
Minor Ensemble		1 MUSC 494 (Capstone)	1
Music Elective		3 Music Elective	3
Science & Technology ^(Gen Ed category S - Global Perspectives)		3 Minor Ensemble	1
Free Elective		3 Quantitative Reasoning ^(Gen Ed category R)	3
		17	14

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