



Twin Cities Campus

Music Therapy B. Mus.

School of Music

College of Liberal Arts

- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Spring 2018
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120
- Required credits within the major: 92 to 107
- Degree: Bachelor of Music

This program prepares students for a profession in music therapy, using music to influence behavioral changes in people, from pre-school through geriatrics, in a variety of educational and health-related environments. Completion of this degree program leads to eligibility for the Board Certification exam. Successful completion of the exam leads to the MT-BC credential (Music Therapist - Board Certified).

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Admission Requirements

Admission to a music program is contingent upon passing an audition. Auditions are highly competitive with students normally having studied for a number of years--a minimum of three to four years in voice, guitar, or on an orchestral or band instrument, eight to twelve years on piano. Auditions are held throughout the academic year. Incoming freshmen normally take the audition during the winter of their senior year of high school; transfer students one semester prior to the term in which they plan to enroll. Students applying for the program in music therapy are required to pass an interview with music education/therapy faculty.

For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the [Office of Admissions website](#).

General Requirements

All students are required to complete general University and college requirements including writing and liberal education courses. For more information about University-wide requirements, see the [liberal education requirements](#). Required courses for the major or minor in which a student receives a D grade (with or without plus or minus) do not count toward the major or minor (including transfer courses).

Program Requirements

Students may earn no more than one undergraduate degree from the School of Music: a BA or a B.Mus or a minor. Students may earn more than one major within the B.Mus degree, but may not earn more than one emphasis within the BA degree.

All incoming CLA freshmen must complete the First Year Experience course sequence.

Major Courses

Take all of the following courses for a total of 26 credits.

- [MUED 1801](#) - Introduction to Music Therapy (2.0 cr)
- [MUED 5800](#) - Group Music Leadership Skills (3.0 cr)
- [MUED 5804](#) - Music Therapy Methods and Procedures I (4.0 cr)
- [MUED 5805](#) - Music Therapy Methods and Procedures II (4.0 cr)
- [MUED 5806](#) - Career Preparation (4.0 cr)
- [MUED 5669](#) - Psychology of Music (3.0 cr)
- [MUED 3807](#) - Percussion Techniques for Music Therapists (2.0 cr)
- [MUED 5803](#) - Therapeutic Management in Music Settings (4.0 cr)

Music Theory and Ear Training

Take all of the following courses for a total of 12 credits.

- [MUS 1501](#) - Theory and Analysis of Tonal Music I (2.0 cr)
- [MUS 1502](#) - Theory and Analysis of Tonal Music II (2.0 cr)
- [MUS 1511](#) - Ear-Training and Sight-Singing I (1.0 cr)
- [MUS 1512](#) - Ear-Training and Sight-Singing II (1.0 cr)
- [MUS 3501](#) - Theory and Analysis of Tonal Music III (2.0 cr)
- [MUS 3511](#) - Ear-Training and Sight-Singing III (1.0 cr)



MUS 4504 - Intensive Theory and Analysis of 20th-Century Music (2.0 cr)
MUS 4514 - Ear-Training and Sight-Singing for 20th-Century Music (1.0 cr)

Musicology/Ethnomusicology

Take all of the following courses for a total of 12 credits.

MUS 1801W - Music, Society, and Cultures [AH, GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
MUS 3601W - History of Western Music I [WI] (3.0 cr)
MUS 3602W - History of Western Music II [WI] (3.0 cr)
MUS 3603W - History of Western Music III [WI] (3.0 cr)

Keyboard

Take a total of 2-4 credits by completing MUS 1151 & 1152 OR MUS 1155. Non-keyboard majors with advanced keyboard skills may substitute MUS 1155 for MUS 1151 & 1152, subject to departmental approval. Keyboard majors must take MUS 1155.

MUS 1151 - Piano: Class Lessons I (2.0 cr)
MUS 1152 - Piano: Class Lessons II (2.0 cr)
or MUS 1155 - Keyboard Skills I (2.0 cr)

Guitar

Take all of the following courses for a total of 4 credits.

MUED 3802 - Guitar I for Music Education and Music Therapy Majors: Developing Group Songleading Skills (2.0 cr)
MUED 3803 - Guitar II for Music Education and Music Therapy Majors: Developing Group Songleading Skills (2.0 cr)

Conducting

Take the following course for a total of 2 credits.

MUS 3401 - Basic Conducting (2.0 cr)

Applied Music

Take a minimum of 14 credits by completing two semesters at 2 credits per semester of 12xx courses; two semesters at 2 credits per semester of 22xx courses; and three semesters at 2 credits per semester of 32xx courses.

Take 2 or more course(s) totaling 4 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 1201 - Piano: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1204 - Voice: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1205 - Violin: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1206 - Viola: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1207 - Cello: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1209 - Flute: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1211 - Oboe: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1212 - Clarinet: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1213 - Saxophone: Music Ed and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1214 - Bassoon: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1215 - French Horn: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1216 - Trumpet: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1217 - Trombone: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1219 - Tuba: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1221 - Percussion: Music Ed and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1222 - Harp: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1223 - Guitar: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)

Take 2 or more course(s) totaling 4 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 2201 - Piano: Music Ed and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2204 - Voice: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2205 - Violin: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2206 - Viola: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2207 - Cello: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2208 - Bass: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2209 - Flute: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2211 - Oboe: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2212 - Clarinet: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2213 - Saxophone: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2214 - Bassoon: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2215 - French Horn: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2216 - Trumpet: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2217 - Trombone: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2219 - Tuba: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2221 - Percussion: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2222 - Harp: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 2223 - Guitar: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)



Take 3 or more course(s) totaling 6 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 3201 - Piano: Music Ed and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3204 - Voice: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3205 - Violin: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3206 - Viola: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3207 - Cello: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3209 - Flute: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3211 - Oboe: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3212 - Clarinet: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3213 - Saxophone: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3214 - Bassoon: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3215 - French Horn: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3216 - Trumpet: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3217 - Trombone: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3219 - Tuba: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3221 - Percussion: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 3222 - Harp: Music Education and BA (2.0 cr)

Ensembles

Take a minimum of seven semesters of ensemble courses.

Take 7 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 3230 - Chorus (1.0 - 2.0 cr)
- MUS 3410 - University Wind Bands (1.0 cr)
- MUS 3420 - Orchestra (1.0 cr)
- MUS 5240 - University Singers (1.0 cr)

Special Needs Courses

Take 10-11 credits by completing PSY 1001, PSY 3604, and [BIOL 1010 or KIN 3027]. Students who take BIOL 1010 or KIN 3027 must consult with the departmental advisor prior to enrollment.

PSY 1001 - Introduction to Psychology [SOCS] (4.0 cr)

PSY 3604 - Introduction to Psychopathology (3.0 cr)

BIOL 1012 - Human Biology: Concepts and Current Ethical Issues [BIOL, CIV] (4.0 cr)

or KIN 3027 - Human Anatomy for Kinesiology, Physical Activity, and Health Promotion (4.0 cr)

Internship

A six-month internship is required upon completion of all coursework. The internship can be taken for 1-13 credits.

MUED 5855 - Music Therapy Internship (1.0 - 13.0 cr)

Voice and Recital

Take all of the following courses for a total of 2 credits.

MUS 951 - Senior Recital (0.0 cr)

MUS 1260 - Voice Class (2.0 cr)

or MUSA 1404 - Voice: Music Major Secondary (undergraduate) (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

Upper Division Writing Intensive within the major

Students are required to take one upper division writing intensive course within the major. If that requirement has not been satisfied within the core major requirements, students must choose one course from the following list. Some of these courses may also fulfill other major requirements.

Take 0 - 1 course(s) from the following:

•MUS 3601W - History of Western Music I [WI] (3.0 cr)

•MUS 3602W - History of Western Music II [WI] (3.0 cr)

•MUS 3603W - History of Western Music III [WI] (3.0 cr)