



Twin Cities Campus

Music B. Mus.

School of Music

College of Liberal Arts

- Program Type: Baccalaureate
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2019
- Required credits to graduate with this degree: 120 to 125
- Required credits within the major: 78 to 99
- Degree: Bachelor of Music

The B.Mus. in performance is a professional degree in which music courses make up approximately 75 percent of the program.

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 during the spring semester prior to fall entrance. Some instruments require a DVD screening round.

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.

Students are required to complete a sub-plan. Students may complete more than one sub-plan with prior approval from the School of Music. Note that an additional audition may be required.

For students in the Guitar, Harp, and Piano sub-plans, at least 24 upper-division credits in the major must be taken at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities campus.

For students in the Organ, and Voice sub-plans, at least 27 upper-division credits in the major must be taken at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities campus.

For students in the String, Woodwind, Brass, Percussion sub-plan, at least 26 upper-division credits in the major must be taken at the University of Minnesota - Twin Cities campus.

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

Music Theory and Ear Training

Take exactly 8 course(s) totaling exactly 12 credit(s) from the following:

- **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)



Music Theory Electives

Note: MUS 5950 must be taken for a minimum of 3 credits in order to count as a music theory elective.

Take exactly 2 course(s) totaling 6 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 3506 - Theory and Analysis of American Popular Music (3.0 cr)
- MUS 4502 - 18th-Century Counterpoint (3.0 cr)
- MUS 4505 - Jazz Theory (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5333 - Post-tonal Theory and Analysis II (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5541 - 16th-Century Counterpoint (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5571 - Schenkerian Analysis for Performers (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5573 *{Inactive}*(3.0 cr)
- MUS 5574 - Wagner's Ring: Conception, Coherence, Consequence (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5597 - Music and Text (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5950 - Topics in Music (1.0 - 4.0 cr)

Musicology/Ethnomusicology

Take exactly 4 course(s) totaling exactly 12 credit(s) from the following:

- 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)

Conducting

Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 3401 - Basic Conducting (2.0 cr)

Capstone - Recital

The Music B. Mus. capstone has two components: the junior recital and the senior recital. Designed in consultation with the applied teacher, each student plans a full recital for this capstone. This includes selection of repertoire appropriate to the student, and preparing and performing the recital in the School of Music. Students who double major and choose to complete the capstone requirement in their other major are still required to take the Music B. Mus. capstone.

Take exactly 2 course(s) totaling exactly 0 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 901 - Junior Recital (0.0 cr)
- MUS 951 - Senior Recital (0.0 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)

Program Sub-plans

Students are required to complete one of the following sub-plans.

Classical Guitar

Credit requirements in each course group must be satisfied by taking the courses for multiple semesters. Students may need to take more than six credits of electives to reach the 78-credit requirement for the major.

Keyboard

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

- MUS 1151 - Piano: Class Lessons I (2.0 cr)
- MUS 1152 - Piano: Class Lessons II (2.0 cr)

or Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 1155 - Keyboard Skills I (2.0 cr)

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Take 32 or more credit(s) from the following:

Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 1323 - Guitar: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

•Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 2323 - Guitar: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

•Take 16 or more credit(s) from the following:



- MUSA 3323 - Guitar: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

Ensemble

Take exactly 4 credit(s) from the following:

Take exactly 2 course(s) totaling exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 3230 - Chorus (1.0 - 2.0 cr)
- MUS 5240 - University Singers (1.0 cr)
- Take exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:
 - MUS 3440 - Chamber Ensemble (1.0 cr)

Literature and Pedagogy

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

- MUS 5461 - Guitar Literature (2.0 cr)
- MUS 5466 - Guitar Pedagogy (2.0 cr)

Electives

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

- MUS 1xxx
- MUS 2xxx
- MUS 3xxx

Harp

Credit requirements in each course group must be satisfied by taking the courses for multiple semesters. Students may need to take more than two credits of electives to reach the 78-credit requirement for the major.

Keyboard

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

- MUS 1151 - Piano: Class Lessons I (2.0 cr)
- MUS 1152 - Piano: Class Lessons II (2.0 cr)

or Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 1155 - Keyboard Skills I (2.0 cr)

Applied Music

Take 32 or more credit(s) from the following:

Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 1322 - Harp: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:
 - MUSA 2322 - Harp: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- Take 16 or more credit(s) from the following:
 - MUSA 3322 - Harp: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

Ensemble

Take eight semesters of MUS 3420 at one credit per term.

Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 3420 - Orchestra (1.0 cr)

Electives

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

- MUS 1xxx
- MUS 2xxx
- MUS 3xxx

Organ

Credit requirements in each course group must be satisfied by taking the courses for multiple semesters.

Keyboard

Take exactly 4 course(s) totaling exactly 10 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 1155 - Keyboard Skills I (2.0 cr)
- MUS 5151 - Organ Literature I (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5152 - Organ Literature II (3.0 cr)
- MUS 5153 - Organ Pedagogy (2.0 cr)

Applied Music

Take 32 or more credit(s) from the following:

Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 1303 - Organ: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:
 - MUSA 2303 - Organ: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- Take 16 or more credit(s) from the following:
 - MUSA 3303 - Organ: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

Ensemble

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



- MUS 3200 - Campus Singers (2.0 cr)
- MUS 3230 - Chorus (1.0 - 2.0 cr)
- MUS 5240 - University Singers (1.0 cr)

Piano

Credit requirements in each course group must be satisfied by taking the courses for multiple semesters. Students may need to take more than two credits of electives in order to reach the 78-credit requirement for the major.

Keyboard

Take exactly 4 course(s) totaling 7 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 1155 - Keyboard Skills I (2.0 cr)
- MUS 5101 - Piano Pedagogy I (2.0 cr)
- MUSA 1402 - Harpsichord: Music Major Secondary (undergraduate) (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
or MUSA 1403 - Organ: Music Major Secondary (undergraduate) (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
or MUS 3331 - Jazz Improvisation I (2.0 cr)
or MUS 3440 - Chamber Ensemble (1.0 cr)
or MUS 5430 (*Inactive*)(1.0 cr)
- MUS 5181 - Advanced Piano Literature I (2.0 cr)
or MUS 5182 - Advanced Piano Literature II (2.0 cr)

Applied Music

Take 32 or more credit(s) from the following:

Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 1301 - Piano: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

•Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 2301 - Piano: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

•Take 16 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 3301 - Piano: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

Ensemble

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

- MUS 3440 - Chamber Ensemble (1.0 cr)

- MUS 5440 - Chamber Ensemble (1.0 cr)

Electives

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

- MUS 1xxx

- MUS 2xxx

- MUS 3xxx

String, Woodwind, Brass, Percussion

Credit requirements in each course group must be satisfied by taking the courses for multiple semesters.

Keyboard

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

- MUS 1151 - Piano: Class Lessons I (2.0 cr)

- MUS 1152 - Piano: Class Lessons II (2.0 cr)

or Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 1155 - Keyboard Skills I (2.0 cr)

Applied Music

Take 32 or more credit(s) from the following:

Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- MUSA 1305 - Violin: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1306 - Viola: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1307 - Cello: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1308 - Double Bass: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1309 - Flute: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1311 - Oboe: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1312 - Clarinet: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1313 - Saxophone: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1314 - Bassoon: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1315 - French Horn: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1316 - Trumpet: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1317 - Trombone: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1318 - Euphonium: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1319 - Tuba: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 1321 - Percussion: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:



- MUSA 2305 - Violin: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2306 - Viola: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2307 - Cello: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2308 - Double Bass: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2309 - Flute: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2311 - Oboe: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2312 - Clarinet: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2313 - Saxophone: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2314 - Bassoon: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2315 - French Horn: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2316 - Trumpet: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2317 - Trombone: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2318 - Euphonium: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2319 - Tuba: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 2321 - Percussion: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
- Take 16 or more credit(s) from the following:
- MUSA 3305 - Violin: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3306 - Viola: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3307 - Cello: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3308 - Double Bass: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3309 - Flute: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3311 - Oboe: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3312 - Clarinet: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3313 - Saxophone: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3314 - Bassoon: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3315 - French Horn: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3316 - Trumpet: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3317 - Trombone: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3318 - Euphonium: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3319 - Tuba: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)
 - MUSA 3321 - Percussion: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

Band or Orchestra

Take eight semesters of MUS 3410 and/or MUS 3420 at one credit per term.

Take exactly 8 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 3410 - University Wind Bands (1.0 cr)
- MUS 3420 - Orchestra (1.0 cr)

Chamber Ensemble

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

- MUS 3340 - Jazz Ensemble (1.0 cr)
- MUS 3350 - Jazz Combo (1.0 cr)
- MUS 3440 - Chamber Ensemble (1.0 cr)
- MUS 5440 - Chamber Ensemble (1.0 cr)
- MUS 5480 - University Brass Choir (1.0 cr)
- MUS 5490 - Percussion Ensemble (1.0 cr)

Voice

Credit requirements in each course group must be satisfied by taking the courses for multiple semesters.

Keyboard

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

- MUS 1151 - Piano: Class Lessons I (2.0 cr)
- MUS 1152 - Piano: Class Lessons II (2.0 cr)

or Take exactly 1 course(s) totaling exactly 2 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 1155 - Keyboard Skills I (2.0 cr)

Ensemble

Take one course each semester. No more than two semesters of MUS 5250 & 5280 may count.

Take 8 or more course(s) totaling 8 - 10 credit(s) from the following:

Take 6 - 8 course(s) totaling 6 - 8 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 3230 - Chorus (1.0 - 2.0 cr)
- MUS 5240 - University Singers (1.0 cr)

•Take 0 - 2 course(s) totaling 0 - 4 credit(s) from the following:

- MUS 5250 - Opera Workshop and Ensemble (2.0 cr)
- MUS 5280 - Opera Theatre (2.0 cr)

Applied Music

Take 32 or more credit(s) from the following:



Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- [MUSA 1304](#) - Voice: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

• Take 8 or more credit(s) from the following:

- [MUSA 2304](#) - Voice: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

• Take 16 or more credit(s) from the following:

- [MUSA 3304](#) - Voice: Music Major (2.0 - 4.0 cr)

Diction and Vocal Literature

Take exactly 6 course(s) totaling exactly 6 credit(s) from the following:

- [MUS 3241](#) - Vocal Literature (German Lieder) and Pedagogy (1.0 cr)
- [MUS 3242](#) - Vocal Literature (French Melodie) and Pedagogy (1.0 cr)
- [MUS 3261](#) - Italian Diction for Singers (1.0 cr)
- [MUS 3262](#) - English Diction for Singers (1.0 cr)
- [MUS 3263](#) - German Diction for Singers (1.0 cr)
- [MUS 3264](#) - French Diction for Singers (1.0 cr)

Language

Take exactly 3 course(s) totaling exactly 15 credit(s) from the following:

- [FREN 1001](#) - Beginning French I (5.0 cr)
- [GER 1001](#) - Beginning German (5.0 cr)
- [ITAL 1001](#) - Beginning Italian I (5.0 cr)