

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

2026-27 catalog 4-year degree pathway

College of Arts and Humanities

Bachelor of Arts, Music

Sample only—your academic advisor will help you create an individualized plan. Students with more than one major should communicate with their advisor prior to enrollment. Upper-division (UD) electives should be selected in consultation with advisor and department faculty members.

Actual courses offered may be in different terms than the quarter listed in this sample plan.

YEAR 1	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	MUS 144	Music Theory 1 (3)	MUS 145	Music Theory 2 (3)	MUS 146	Music Theory 3 (3)
MUS 144A	Aural Skills 1 (1)	MUS 145A	Aural Skills 2 (1)	MUS 146A	Aural Skills 3 (1)	
MUS 152A	Class Piano I (1)	MUS 153A	Class Piano II (1)	MUS 154A	Class Piano III (1)	
MUS 164x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 164x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 164x	Applied Area (1)	
MUS 2xx	Large Ensemble (2)	MUS 2xx	Large Ensemble (2)	MUS 2xx	Large Ensemble (2)	
UNIV 101	Transition to CWU (1)	*AWI Option	Academic Writing I (5)	K2 Option	Community, Culture, Citizenship (5)	
*QR Option	Quantitative Reasoning (5)					
Total Quarter Credits	14	Total Quarter Credits	13	Total Quarter Credits	13	
YEAR 2	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	MUS 244	Music Theory 4 (3)	MUS 245	Music Theory 5 (3)	MUS 246	Music Theory 6 (3)
MUS 164x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 264x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 264x	Applied Area (1)	
MUS 2xx	Large Ensemble (2)	MUS 2xx	Large Ensemble (2)	MUS 2xx	Large Ensemble (2)	
K1 Option	Academic Writing II (5)	K3 Option	Creative Expression (5)	K4 Option	Global Dynamics (5)	
Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	Elective	Explore/minor (5)	
Total Quarter Credits	16	Total Quarter Credits	16	Total Quarter Credits	16	
YEAR 3	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	MUS 372	Music History 1 (3)	MUS 373	Music History 2 (3)	MUS 374	Music History 3 (3)
MUS 264x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 264x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 364x	Applied Area (1)	
MUS 341	Conducting I (3)	MUS 359	Cross-Cultural Perspect (2)	MUS 4xx	Large Ensemble (2)	
MUS 4xx	Large Ensemble (2)	MUS 4xx	Large Ensemble (2)	K7 Option	Physical & Natural World (5)	
K5 Option	Humanities (5)	K6 Option	Individual & Society (5)	UD Elective	Explore/minor (4)	
		Elective	Explore/minor (4)			
Total Quarter Credits	14	Total Quarter Credits	17	Total Quarter Credits	15	
YEAR 4	Fall Quarter		Winter Quarter		Spring Quarter	
	MUS 364x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 364x	Applied Area (1)	MUS 364x	Applied Area (1)
MUS 3xx	Upper Division History (3)	MUS 340	Form and Analysis (3)	MUS 495	Senior Project (2)	
K8 Option	Science & Technology (5)	UD Elective	Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective	Explore/minor (5)	
UD Elective	Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective	Explore/minor (5)	UD Elective	Explore/minor (5)	
				Elective	Explore/minor (5)	
Total Quarter Credits	14	Total Quarter Credits	14	Total Quarter Credits	18	
Total Credits.					180	

*Assumes appropriate placement. If placement needs are different, your advisor will help you create a suitable first-year Math/Academic Writing sequence to set you up for success.

MUSIC MAJOR, BA							
Students must apply, audition, and be accepted into the Music Major							
BA MUSIC CORE REQUIREMENTS							
MUSIC THEORY (21 total credits)			Credits	Prerequisites	Fall 26	Winter 27	Spring 27
MUS	144	Theory 1	3	75% on fund exam; co-req MUS 152A	✓		
MUS	144A	Aural Skills 1	1	75% on fund exam; co-req MUS 152A	✓		
MUS	145	Theory 2	3	MUS 144, 144A; co-req MUS 145A, 152A/153A		✓	
MUS	145A	Aural Skills 2	1	MUS 144, 144A; co-req MUS 145A, 152A/153A		✓	
MUS	146	Theory 3	3	MUS 145, 145A; co-req MUS 146A & 154A/153A/154A			✓
MUS	146A	Aural Skills 3	1	MUS 145, 145A; co-req MUS 146A & 154A/153A/154A			✓
MUS	244	Theory 4	3	MUS 146, 146A	✓		
MUS	245	Theory 5	3	MUS 244		✓	
MUS	246	Theory 6	3	MUS 245			✓
Total			21				
CLASS PIANO (3 total credits)							
MUS	152A	Class Piano I	1	MUS 144, 144A	✓	✓	
MUS	153A	Class Piano II	1	MUS 152A		✓	✓
MUS	154A	Class Piano III	1	MUS 153A	✓		✓
Total			3				
MUSIC HISTORY (11 total credits)							
MUS	359	Mus Cross/Cult Pers	2		✓	✓	✓
MUS	372	Music History 1	3	MUS 146, 154A	✓		
MUS	373	Music History 2	3	MUS 244, 372		✓	
MUS	374	Music History 3	3	MUS 245, 373			✓
Total			11				
TOTAL CORE CREDITS			35				
REQUIRED COURSES							
PRIMARY ENSEMBLES (18 total credits)							
Vox Divina Soprano/Alto Choir							
MUS	* 211/411	Vox Divina Soprano/Alto Choir	1-2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	
Chamber Orchestra							
MUS	215/415	Chamber Orchestra	1-2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	
Wildcat Tenor/Bass Chorus							
MUS	* 228/428	Wildcat Tenor/Bass Chorus	1-2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	
Wind Ensemble							
MUS	266/466	Wind Ensemble	1-2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	✓
Choir							
MUS	267/467	University Chorale	2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	✓
Chamber Choir							
MUS	268/468	Chamber Choir	2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	✓
Symphonic Winds							
MUS	269/469	Symphonic Band	1-2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	✓
Orchestra							
MUS	277/477	Orchestra	1-2	Soph or below/Jr or above	✓	✓	✓
Marching Band; take with 1 cr Wind, Symph Wind, or Symph Band							

MUS	287/487	Marching Band	1	<i>Soph or below/Jr or above</i>	✓		
Symphonic Band							
MUS	288/488	Concert Band	1-2	<i>Soph or below/Jr or above</i>	✓	✓	✓
* Can sub for 3 qtrs primary vocal ensemble							
			Total	18			
APPLIED MUSIC (9-12 total credits)							
At least 1 cr 364 on primary instrument							
MUS	164	Major Appl Area (Ind Instr)	1-2		<i>scheduled individually</i>		
MUS	264	Major Appl Area (ind inst)	1-2		<i>scheduled individually</i>		
MUS	364	Major Appl Area (ind instr)	1-2		<i>scheduled individually</i>		
			9-12				
UPPER-DIVISION MUSIC THEORY (3 total credits)							
MUS	340	Form and Analysis	3	<i>MUS 246</i>		✓	
			3				
CONDUCTING (3 total credits)							
MUS	341	Conducting I	3	<i>MUS 146</i>	✓	✓	
			3				
UPPER-DIVISION MUS HISTORY & INDUSTRY (3 total credits)							
Select one from:							
MUS	356	Jazz Styles	3	<i>MUS 246</i>		✓	
MUS	382	Surv Chamber Mus	3	<i>MUS 372</i>			
MUS	384	Survey of Choral Music	3	<i>MUS 372</i>			
MUS	385	Survey of Opera	3	<i>MUS 372</i>	✓		
MUS	386	Survey of 20th Century Music	3	<i>MUS 372</i>			
MUS	470	Arts and Entrepreneurship	3	<i>MUS 146, 154A</i>			
			3				
ADDITIONAL COURSES (2-5 total credits)							
MUS	495	Senior Project	2		<i>scheduled by permit</i>		
		<i>Electives: student choice</i>	0-3				
			2-5				
TOTAL REQUIRED CREDITS			38-44				
TOTAL PROGRAM CREDITS			73-79				