



University of Montana - Four-Year Academic Plan 2023-2024

College of the Arts and Media

Bachelor of Art in Music Composition

This is an example of a four year graduation plan for a degree in Music Composition.

This is a sample academic plan. Students should meet with an academic advisor prior to registration to formulate their own plan.

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4	
Fall		Fall		Fall		Fall	
MUSI 108A - 114A, +162A, #191 - Ensembles	1	MUSI 108A - 114A, +162A, #191 - Ensembles	1	MUSI 308-314, 310, 331 or +362, # 391 - Ensembles	1	MUST 310 - Interactivity & Digital Signal Processing	2
MUSI 105 - Theory I	2	MUSI 205 - Theory III	2	MUSI 395 - Applied Music III	1	MUSI 308-314, 310, 331 or +362, # 391 - Ensembles	1
MUSI 194 - Freshman Seminar	1						
MUSI 135 - Keyboard Skills I	1	MUSI 235 - Keyboard Skills III	1	MUSI 380 - Composition III	3	MUSI 480 - Composition IV	3
MUSI 195 - Applied Study I	1	MUSI 240 - Aural Perception III	2	MUSI 356 - Form & Analysis I	2	Upper-Division Music Electives	2
MUSI 140 - Aural Perception I	2	MUSI 295 - Applied Music II	1	MUSI 407 - Counterpoint I	3	General Education or Electives	8
MUSI 180 - Composition I	2	MUSI 280 - Composition II	2	MUSI 415 - Music of the 20th C. to the Present	3		
MUST 110 - Digital Audio & Multitasking	2			MUSI 440 - Orchestration	2		
General Education or Elective	3	MUSI 301H - Music History I	3				
		General Education or Elective	3				
Credits	15	Credits	15	Credits	15	Credit	16
Spring		Spring		Spring		Spring	
MUSI 108A - 114A, +162A, #191 - Ensembles	1	MUSI 108A - 114A, +162A, #191 - Ensembles	1	MUSI 308-314, 310, 331 or +362, # 391 - Ensembles	1	MUSI 388 - Concert Attendance	0
MUSI 106 - Theory II	2	MUSI 206 - Theory IV	2	MUSI 335 - Instrumental Conducting or MUSI 336 - Choral Conducting	2	MUST 410 - Computer Music Programming	2
MUSI 101L Enjoyment of Music; or MUSI 134L History of Rock and Roll	3	MUSI 236 - Keyboard Skills IV	1	MUSI 380 - Composition III	3	MUSI 499 - Professional Project	2
MUSI 136A - Keyboard Skills II	1	MUSI 296 Upper-Division Required Performance	0	MUSI 418 Upper Division Theory	2	General Education or Electives	12
MUSI 141 - Aural Perception II	2	MUSI 241 - Aural Perception IV	2	General Education or Elective	6		
MUSI 195 - Applied Study I	1	MUSI 295 - Applied Music II	1				
MUSI 180 - Composition I	2	MUSI 280 - Composition II	2				
General Education or Elective	3	MUSI 302H - Music History II	3				
		MUST 210 - Sequencing, Synthesis & Sampling	2				
Credits	15	Credits	14	Credits	14	Credits	16
Summer		Summer		Summer		Summer	
Credits	0	Credits	0	Credits	0	Credits	0
Total Credits	30	Total Credits	59	Total Credits	88	Total Credits	120
Additional Music Requirements:							
Intermediate Writing MUSI 302 & Advanced Writing MUSI 415, 416, or 417							
100 Recital Credits - Must total 100 upon completion MUSI 388							
Upper Division Required Performance MUSI 296							
All degrees require 39 upper division credits.							
General Education Courses Satisfied within the Music Degree							
Literary and Artistic Studies (L): MUSI 202L							
Historical Studies (H): MUSI 301H							
Intermediate Writing: MUSI 302H							
Democracy and Citizenship (Y): MUSI 302							
Expressive Arts (A): Music Ensembles							
Cultural and International Diversity (X): MUSI 207X							
Advanced Writing: MUSI 415, 416, or 417							

ElevateU Career Readiness Plan

GRADUATE CAREER-READY BY GETTING INVOLVED IN THE BELOW ACTIVITIES WHILE AT UM.

Discover how your strengths, values, and interests relate to career and education pathways.

- Take the Strong Interest Inventory or other career assessments to see what careers may be a good fit for you.*
- Download the Handshake app and activate your account to explore jobs*
- Attend “careers and opportunities” fairs and join a First Time at the Fair tour*
- Join student groups that align with your interests*
- Explore career options at What Can I Do With This Major? (click on “Major Exploration”)*
- Learn about specific occupations on O*Net Online
- Schedule an appointment for Career Planning and Major Exploration

EXPLORE
Pathways for you

Participate in experiential (hands-on) learning to refine your interests and goals.

- Seek and apply for internships or part-time jobs on Handshake*
- Participate in Volunteer Programs*
- Consider studying abroad or at another US university for a semester or year*
- Consider an internship abroad*
- Conduct undergraduate research at UM*
 - Secure a paid micro-internship
 - Participate in the Griz Career Skills Program
 - Schedule an appointment for Internship Search, International Internship Search, National Student Exchange, Job Search Strategies, and Handshake How-To

EXPERIENCE
and Grow

- Meet employers at career fairs and events*
- Develop a stellar resume and cover letter*
- Practice interview skills
- Learn how to negotiate your salary and benefits package
- Fine-tune your LinkedIn profile
- Apply for jobs, graduate/professional school, or national service
- Schedule an appointment for Resume, Cover letter, Interview Prep, Personal Statement, LinkedIn, Graduate School Planning

ELEVATE
to Your Career

Refine your personal brand and develop stand-out application materials to achieve your goals

EMBRACE
Your Goals

- Strengthen relationships with faculty and supervisors who can guide and recommend you*
 - Connect with alumni in fields or companies of interest through the Griz Career Network
 - Expand your network to gain insights and support through LinkedIn
 - Conduct career conversations with professionals in fields of interest
 - Gain industry and company-specific skills through free Forage job simulations
 - Schedule an appointment to discuss Networking Strategies, LinkedIn, Graduate School Planning
- Develop skills and network to help you pursue your goals**

YOUR CAREER SUPPORT OFFICES AT UM

Experiential Learning & Career Success (ELCS) is for all UM students!

Students in the following Schools and Colleges have additional access to the following career services:

- College of Business Career Development Center
- Career Trailhead professional readiness program
- College of Humanities and Sciences Career Planning Center
- Davidson Honors College Career Development Program
- School of Law Career Development Office
- Missoula College Career Services

