

Bachelor of Arts in Music

Admission

Students may pursue Bachelor of Arts (BA) in music course work without a formal audition process. Formal admission to the degree program is gained through a portfolio review process that occurs near the conclusion of the fourth semester of study.

Program Requirements

General Requirements

- 120 total credit hours and overall 2.000 GPA for graduation.
- Students must complete the 34-35 credit hours of the WSU General Education Program (<http://catalog.wichita.edu/undergraduate/academic-information/general-education-program/>), College of Fine Arts requirements, and must have 45 upper division credit hours.

Major Requirements

- 38 credit hours in music
- 14-15 credit hours of a guided focus area,
- 15 credit hours outside of music, and
- 17-18 credit hours of open electives.

Course	Title	Hours
General Education (34-35 credit hours)		
Select courses to meet General Education requirements		34-35
Performance (8 credit hours)		
MUSA and/or MUSP courses ¹		8
Music Core (11 credit hours)		
MUSC 127	Musicianship 1	2
MUSC 128	Musicianship 2	2
MUSC 129	Aural Skills 1	2
MUSC 130	Aural Skills 2	2
MUSC 113	Introduction to Music Studies and Professional Skills	3
Music in History and Culture (6 credit hours)		
Select 6 credit hours from the following		6
MUSC 162	Global Music Cultures	
MUSC 164	American Popular Music	
MUSC 336	Survey of the Western Musical Canon	
MUSC 346	Styles of Jazz	
MUSC 348A	History of Jazz	
MUSC 675A	Topics in Musicology: Aesthetics	
MUSC 675B	Topics in Musicology: Global Musics	
MUSC 675C	Topics in Musicology: Identity	
MUSC 675D	Topics in Musicology: Popular Musics	
Other Required Courses (8 credit hours)		
Select at least 4 credit hours from the following		4
MUSC 115	Introduction to Music Technology	
MUSC 116	Introduction to Music Marketing	
MUSC 118	Introduction to the Music Business	
MUSC 350	Foundations of Arts Leadership	
An additional 4 credit hours in MUSC are required if all the above courses are not taken.		4

Additional Requirements

MUSC 399	Junior Seminar in Music Studies	2
MUSC 498 or MUSC 499	Senior Capstone/Project Internship in Music	3
Guided Focus Area ²		
Students will choose a focus area in consultation with faculty. Examples of focus areas include: leadership, marketing, audio and media production, music performance, entrepreneurship, music composition, and music pedagogy.		14-15
Credits Outside of Music ²		
Select 15 credit hours outside of the music department. Courses can include an established minor, certificate, or any other credits not in MUS.		15
Open Electives ²		
Select enough electives to reach 120 credit hours. These credits can include additional MUS courses.		17-18
Total Credit Hours		120

¹ Ensembles are counted by semester.

² 45 credits of upper-division courses completed at a four-year institution are required.

Applied Learning

Students in the Bachelor of Arts in music program are required to complete an applied learning or research experience to graduate from the program. The requirement can be met by the completion of MUSC 498 Senior Capstone/Project or MUSC 499 Internship in Music.