Music Composition

The Bachelor of Music curriculum is intended for students who plan to enter professional music careers, graduate study in music or private studio teaching.

About this Program
- **College:** Arts
- **Degree:** Bachelor of Music
- **Credits for Degree:** 120
- **Specializations:** Music in Combination with an Outside Field | Music Composition | Performance: Instrumental | Performance: Vocal | Music Theory
- **Additional Information**
- **Related Music Programs**

To graduate with this major, students must complete all university, college, and major requirements.

Music programs are available in music in combination with an outside field, music composition, music theory, music performance: instrumental (brass, keyboard, percussion, strings, winds) and music performance: vocal. Programs are accredited by NASM and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

Related Music Programs
- Bachelor of Arts in Music
- Bachelor of Music in Music Education
- Music History/Ethnomusicology minor
- Music Performance minor
- Music Theory minor
- Music Performance certificate

Critical Tracking records each student's progress in courses that are required for entry to each major. Please note the critical-tracking requirements below on a per-semester basis.

Equivalent critical-tracking courses as determined by the State of Florida Common Course Prerequisites may be used for transfer students.

Semester 1
- Complete MUC 1211, MUT 1111, and MUT 1241L with minimum grades of C
- Complete MUN 1000 with a minimum grade of C (piano emphasis must take MVK 3702)
- Complete MUS 1010 with a grade of S
- Complete MVK 1111 with a minimum grade of C (keyboard emphasis students exempt)
- Complete 2 credits of (MV_ 141_) Performance Principal with a minimum grade of C
- Voice emphasis only must complete MUS 2211 and MUS 2231
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 2
- Complete MUC 1212, MUS 1360, MUT 1112, and MUT 1242L with minimum grades of C
- Complete MUN 1000 with a minimum grade of C (piano emphasis must take MVK 3702)
- Complete MUS 1010 with a grade of S
- Complete MVK 1112 with a minimum grade of C (keyboard emphasis students exempt)
- Complete 2 additional credits of (MV_ 141_) Performance Principal with minimum grade of C
- Voice emphasis only must complete MUS 2221 and MUS 2231
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 3
- Complete MUC 2101, MUT 2116, MUT 2246L, and MUN 1000 with minimum grades of C
- Complete MVK 2221 with a minimum grade of C (keyboard emphasis students exempt)
- Complete 2 credits of (MV_ 242_) Performance Principal with a minimum grade of C
- Complete MUS 1010 with a grade of S
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 4
- Complete MUC 2102, MUT 2117, MUT 2247L, and MUN 1000 with minimum grades of C
- Complete MUS 1010 with a grade of S
- Complete MVK 2222 with a minimum grade of C (keyboard emphasis students exempt)
- Complete 2 additional credits of (MV_ 242_) Performance Principal with minimum grade of C
- 2000-level Performance Jury
- 2.0 UF GPA required

Semester 5
- 2.0 UF GPA required

To remain on track, students must complete the appropriate critical-tracking courses, which appear in bold. These courses must be completed by the terms as listed above in the Critical Tracking criteria.

This semester plan represents an example progression through the major. Actual courses and course order may be different depending on the student's academic record and scheduling availability of courses. Prerequisites still apply.

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Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

**Content**

1. Perform at an advanced level on an instrument or voice in solo and ensemble settings.
2. Demonstrate knowledge of common elements and organizational patterns of music.
3. Apply knowledge of music history from early practice to the present.

Before Graduating Students Must

- Satisfactory faculty evaluation of a student portfolio.
- Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

Students in the Major Will Learn to

- Apply knowledge of music history from early practice to the present.
- Demonstrate knowledge of common elements and organizational patterns of music.
- Apply advanced critical thinking skills when hearing musical sounds.
- Complete requirements for the baccalaureate degree, as determined by faculty.

For the B.Mus. in music composition, students must complete at least 54 major and elective credits at the 3000/4000 levels.

The Bachelor of Music enables students to enter a professional career in music, to teach music privately and to achieve proficiency in a performance area such as composition, instrumental or voice. With study in theory, music literature, music history, piano and applied instruction, students learn the structure and expression of music and the historical context of musical genres. Through applied study, students develop advanced skills and can apply this knowledge through singing, performing on a musical instrument or composing a musical work and they can apply advanced critical thinking skills when hearing musical sounds.

**Credits**

1. Piano emphasis must take MVK 3702.
2. Students who place into MUT 1001 take MUT1111 Theory 1 and MUT 1241L Aural Skills 1 in the spring, followed by MUT 1112 Theory 2 and MUT 1242L Aural Skills 2 in the summer.
4. Exhibit independent, professional musicianship through high personal performance standards and expectations.

**Critical Thinking**

5. Critically analyze and evaluate problems and issues in music and other disciplines.

6. Consistently and accurately discriminate musical quality based on sound musical reasoning.

7. Display effective verbal and written communication of musical judgments, criticisms and preferences.

**Communication**

8. Effectively communicate, verbally and in writing, ideas, thoughts and feelings in music and other disciplines.

9. Demonstrated skills for effective collaboration.

**Curriculum Map**

*I* = Introduced; *R* = Reinforced; *A* = Assessed

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**Assessment Types**

- Recital with accompanying program notes
- Project/recital/oral exam