

MUSIC COMPOSITION MAJOR, BACHELOR OF MUSIC (BM)

This program is designed to prepare students for composing and presenting compositions in a variety of genres including film scoring, orchestral, choral, wind, chamber, mixed media works, commercial music, and theater/dance work. This course of study presupposes that the student will have a strong background in musical performance on one or more instruments or voice. Entry into this degree program is by departmental interview, performance audition, and with the consent of the head of composition studies.

Grade Requirement for all majors offered by the Music Department: the minimum acceptable grade for any music course required for graduation (including transferred music courses) is ≥C.

Required Non-Credit Music Components

MUSC 110	CONVOCATION AND RECITAL ATTENDANCE (must be repeated each term)	
	Junior Recital	
	Piano Proficiency	

Required Music Composition Courses

MUSC 101 & MUSC 102 & MUSC 103	MUSIC THEORY I and MUSIC THEORY II and MUSIC THEORY III	9
MUSC 104 & MUSC 105 & MUSC 106	SIGHT SINGING AND AURAL SKILLS and SIGHT SINGING AND AURAL SKILLS II and SIGHT SINGING AND AURAL SKILLS III	3
MUSC 121 & MUSC 122	PIANO CLASS II FOR MAJORS and PIANO CLASS III FOR MAJORS	2
MUSC 201 & MUSC 202 & MUSC 203	MUSIC THEORY IV and MUSIC THEORY V and MUSIC THEORY VI	9
MUSC 204 & MUSC 205	SIGHT SINGING AND AURAL SKILLS IV and SIGHT SINGING AND AURAL SKILLS V	2
MUSC 209	COMPOSITIONAL TECHNIQUES	2
MUSC 250 & MUSC 251 & MUSC 252	MUSIC HISTORY AND LITERATURE I and MUSIC HISTORY AND LITERATURE II and MUSIC HISTORY AND LITERATURE III	12
MUSC 305	COUNTERPOINT	2
MUSC 310	BASIC CONDUCTING	2
MUSC 388	PERSPECTIVES ON GLOBAL MUSIC	4
MUSC 401	ADVANCED ANALYSIS	2
MUSC 409	COMPOSITION	1-5
MUSC 470	SENIOR RECITAL	2

Applied Music Requirements—must be repeated 12

MUSC 108	INSTRUCTION ON INSTRUMENT OR VOICE	
MUSC 208	INSTRUCTION ON VOICE OR INSTRUMENT	
MUSC 308	INSTRUCTION ON VOICE OR INSTRUMENT	
MUSC 408	INSTRUCTION ON INSTRUMENT OR VOICE	

Major Music Ensemble Requirement Options—must be repeated 12

MUSE 320	MARCHING BAND	
MUSE 321	WIND ENSEMBLE	
MUSE 322	SYMPHONIC BAND	
MUSE 330	ORCHESTRA	

MUSE 340	SYMPHONIC CHOIR	
MUSE 341	CONCERT CHOIR	
Minor Music Ensemble Requirements—choose a minimum of two		2
MUSE 301	CONCERT JAZZ ORCHESTRA	
MUSE 302	REPERTORY JAZZ ENSEMBLE	
MUSE 304	COLLEGIANS	
MUSE 350	OPERA WORKSHOP	
MUSE 362	CHAMBER MUSIC ENSEMBLES	
MUSE 366	GUITAR ENSEMBLE	
MUSE 368	PIANO ENSEMBLE	
MUSE 380	POP COMBO	
Music Electives at the 300- or 400-level		4
Required Senior Capstone/Thesis		
MUSC 490	MUSIC SENIOR CAPSTONE	4
Total Credits		86-90

Plan of Study

The following plan of study is for a student with zero credits. Individual students may have different factors such as: credit through transfer work, Advanced Placement, Running Start, or any other type of college-level coursework that requires an individual plan.

Courses could be offered in different terms, checking the academic schedule is paramount in keeping an individual plan current. **Students should connect with an advisor to ensure they are on track to graduate.**

All Undergraduate students are required to meet the Undergraduate Degree Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/>).

First Year					
Fall Quarter	Credits	Winter Quarter	Credits	Spring Quarter	Credits
ENGL 101	5	ENGL 201	5	MATH 107	5
MUSC 101	3	MUSC 102	3	MUSC 103	3
MUSC 104	1	MUSC 105	1	MUSC 105	1
MUSC 108	1	MUSC 108	1	MUSC 108	1
MUSC 110	0	MUSC 110	0	MUSC 110	0
Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1	MUSC 121	1	MUSC 122	1
Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3	Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1	Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1
		Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3	Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3
		14	15	15	
Second Year					
Fall Quarter	Credits	Winter Quarter	Credits	Spring Quarter	Credits
MUSC 110	0	MUSC 110	0	MUSC 110	0
MUSC 201	3	MUSC 202	3	MUSC 203	3
MUSC 204	1	MUSC 205	1	MUSC 208	1
MUSC 208	1	MUSC 208	1	MUSC 252	4
MUSC 244	2	MUSC 209	2	Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1
MUSC 250	4	MUSC 251	4	Humanities & Arts BACR 2 ¹	5
Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1	Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1	Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	1
Humanities & Arts BACR 1 ¹	5	Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3		
		17	15	15	
Third Year					
Fall Quarter	Credits	Winter Quarter	Credits	Spring Quarter	Credits
MUSC 110	0	MUSC 110	0	MUSC 110	0

MUSC 308	1 MUSC 308	1 MUSC 305	2
MUSC 388 (Global Studies - graduation requirement)	4 MUSC 310	2 MUSC 308	1
Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1 MUSC 469	3 MUSC 312	2
Minor Music Ensemble Elective ³	1 Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1 Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1
Social Science BACR 1 ¹	5 Social Science BACR 2 ¹	5 Junior Recital	0
Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3 Natural Science BACR 1 ¹	5
		Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	4
	15	15	15
Fourth Year			
Fall Quarter	Credits Winter Quarter	Credits Spring Quarter	Credits
MUSC 110	0 MUSC 110	0 MUSC 110	0
MUSC 401	2 MUSC 408	1 MUSC 408	1
MUSC 408	1 MUSC 409	1 MUSC 409	1
MUSC 409	1 MUSC 490 (Senior Capstone - graduation requirement)	4 MUSC 470	2
Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1 Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1 Major Music Ensemble Elective ²	1
Minor Music Ensemble Elective ³	1 Music Elective ⁴	2 Music Elective ⁴	1
Music Elective ⁴	1 Diversity - graduation requirement ¹	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5
Natural Science BACR 2 ¹	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	1 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3
Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	3		
	15	15	14

Total Credits 180

- ¹ University Graduation Requirements (UGR) and Breadth Area Course Requirements (BACR) courses may be less than 5 credits and additional credits may be required to reach the required 180 total credits needed to graduate. Students should connect with an advisor to ensure they are on track to graduate.
- ² Major Music Ensemble Requirement Options—must be repeated for 12 credits.
- ³ Minor Music Ensemble Requirements—choose a minimum of two.
- ⁴ Music Electives— four credits at the 300- or 400-level.

University Competencies and Proficiencies

English (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#newitemtext>)
 Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#mathcompproficienciesetext>)
 Placement and Clearance (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/placement/>)
 Prior Learning/Sources of Credit AP, CLEP, IB (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/prior-learning/>)

General Education Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#generaleducationrequirementssetext>) (GER)

- Minimum Credits—180 cumulative credit hours
 - 60 upper-division credits (300 level or above)
 - 45 credits in residence (attendance) at Eastern, with at least 15 upper-division credits in major in residence at Eastern
- Minimum Cumulative GPA ≥ 2.0

Breadth Area Core Requirements (BACR)

Humanities and Arts (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#humanitiesandfineartsgecrttext>)
 Natural Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#naturalsciencesgecrttext>)
 Social Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#socialsciencesgecrttext>)

University Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#universitygraduationrequirementssetext>) (UGR)

Diversity Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#cultureandgenderdiversityintheulisttext>)
 World Language (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#worldlanguagetext>) (for Bachelor of Arts)
 Global Studies Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#internationalstudiesrequirementtext>)
 Minor or Certificate (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#majorminororcertificateugrttext>)
 Senior Capstone Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#capstonecourselisttext>)

Application for Graduation (use EagleNET (<https://inside.ewu.edu/eaglenet/>)) must be made at least two terms in advance of the term you expect to graduate (undergraduate and post-baccalaureate).

Use the Catalog Archives (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/>) to determine *two important catalog years*.

Requirements in Degree Works (<https://inside.ewu.edu/records-and-registration/degree-works/>) are based on these two catalog years:

- a. The catalog *in effect at the student's first term* of current matriculation is used to determine **BACR** (Breadth Area Credit Requirements) **and** **UGR** (Undergraduate Graduation Requirements).
- b. The catalog *in effect at the time the student declares a major or minor* is used to determine the program requirements.

Students who earn a Bachelor of Music in Music Composition from EWU should be able to:

- perform music in public on the primary instrument in a manner consistent with professional expectations through successful completion of juries, recitals, and ensemble concerts;
- demonstrate advanced competency in music theory through score analysis and compositional exercises;
- demonstrate advanced music aural skills through dictation and sight singing exercises;
- demonstrate advanced historical knowledge of music through writing research reports and exams;
- demonstrate fundamental music keyboard skills through successful completion of a piano proficiency exam;
- demonstrate basic skills in music conducting through successful completion of practical conducting assignments;
- demonstrate advanced skills in music composition through the creation of original scores and performances, each facilitated by appropriate professional music software and historical/contemporary compositional techniques;

- demonstrate advanced skills in music arranging/orchestration through successful completion of assignments using appropriate professional software programs and principles of interpretation.