

# MUSIC COMPOSITION, 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 357	MUSIC IN DIVERSE CULTURES	3
MUSC 401	ADVANCED ANALYSIS	2
MUSC 409	COMPOSITION	1-5
MUSC 470	SENIOR RECITAL	1-5

### 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 Requirements—must be repeated 12

MUSE 321	WIND ENSEMBLE	
MUSE 322	SYMPHONIC BAND	
MUSE 330	ORCHESTRA	
MUSE 340	SYMPHONIC CHOIR	

MUSE 341	CONCERT CHOIR	
<b>Music Electives at the 300- or 400-level</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Required Senior Capstone/Thesis</b>		
MUSC 491	MUSIC SENIOR THESIS	4
Total Credits		84-92

### University Competencies and Proficiencies

- English (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#newitemtext>)
- Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#mathcompproficienciestext>)
- Placement and Clearance Exams (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/placement/>)
- Prior Learning/Sources of Credit AP, CLEP, IB (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/prior-learning/>)

### General Education Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#generaleducationrequirementstext>) (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 (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#generaleducationcorerequirementstext>) (BACR)

- Humanities and Arts (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#humanitiesandfineartstext>)
- Natural Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#naturalsciencesgecrtxt>)
- Social Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#socialsciencesgecrtxt>)

### University Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#universitygraduationrequirementstext>) (UGR)

- Diversity Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#cultureandgenderdiversityintheulisttext>)
- Foreign Language (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#foreignlanguageugrtxt>) (for Bachelor of Arts)
- Global Studies Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#internationalstudiesrequirementstext>)
- Minor or Certificate (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#majorminororcertificateugrtxt>)
- Senior Capstone Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#capstonecourselisttext>)

All admitted students must officially Declare a Major (<https://inside.ewu.edu/center-for-academic-advising-and-retention/academic-planning-tools/declare-your-major/>) by the time they reach 90 credits (junior standing).

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 (<https://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/>) to determine two important catalog years (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/2021-2022/undergraduate-degree/#activecatalogruletext>).

SOAR (<https://soar.ewu.edu/selfservice/general/home.html>) calculates based on these two catalog years.

1. 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).
2. The catalog *in effect at the time the student declares a major or minor* is used to determine the program requirements.

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**Students who successfully earn a Bachelor of Music in Composition from EWU should be able to do the following:**

- compose music in a variety of mediums and musical styles;
- explore and develop creative processes for music composition.