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GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: At least 30 credit hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS.

Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: catalog.uccs.edu
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Music: [Music | Visual & Performing Arts \(uccs.edu\)](https://www.uccs.edu/music)

Major Requirements			
VAPA, BI - Music (38 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
• Requires a minimum of 32 credit hours of MUS course work, and an additional 6 hours of VAPA department coursework. • Requires a minimum of 18 credit hours of upper-division (3000-4999 level) MUS/VAPA course work. • All VAPA courses must be completed with a grade of "C" or better. • BI Music students should decide on a general focus depending on their areas of interest, such as music business and entrepreneurship or music technology, and work with the BI Music faculty advisor for course recommendations.	VAPA 1000-level course	Complete one 1000-level VAPA Core course from the following: VAPA 1005, 1020, 1050, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500	3
	VAPA 3000-level course	Complete one 3000-level VAPA Core courses from the following: VAPA 3900, 3910, 3920, 3950, 3955, 3960, 3970, 3980, 3990	3
	MUS 1010 ¹	Music Theory I: Systems of Pitch and Representation (<i>spring only</i>)	3
	MUS 1030	Aural Skills & Musicianship I (<i>spring only</i>)	1
	MUS 1040	Class Piano	1
	MUS 2010	Music Theory II: Styles of Counterpoint (<i>fall only</i>)	3
	MUS 2030	Aural Skills & Musicianship II (<i>fall only</i>)	1
	MUS 2850	Topics in Music History and Research I (<i>fall only</i>)	3
	MUS 4980	Music Capstone: Senior Thesis	3
	Ensemble	Complete 2 hours from the following Ensembles: MUS 1100, 1200, 1250, 1310, 2210, 2250, 2300, 2400, 3050, 3051, 3052, 4300	2
	Upper-Division Music Electives	Complete 12 hours of upper-division (3000+ level) courses from the following list: MUS 3010, 3030, 3050, 3051, 3052, 3150, 3200, 3410, 3450, 3500, 3600, 3700, 3850, 3950, 4010, 4030, 4250, 4300, 4600, 4750, 4950, 4960	12
	Additional Music Electives	Complete 3 UNUSED hours from the following list: MUS 1100, 1200, 1250, 1310, 1600*, 2150, 2210, 2250, 2300, 2400, 2450, 2500, 2600*, 2950, 3010, 3030, 3050, 3051, 3052, 3150, 3200, 3410, 3450, 3500, 3600*, 3700, 3850, 4010, 4030, 4250, 4300, 4600*, 4750, 4950, 4960 <i>*Indicates Applied Lessons – see footnote² below</i>	3
BI Innovation Core (24 hours)	INOV 1000 or INOV 1001	Introduction to Entrepreneurship or Social Entrepreneurship	3
	INOV 1010 or INOV 1011	The Innovation Process or Social Innovation	3
	INOV 2010	Innovation Team: Analyze and Report	3
	INOV 2100	Technical Writing, Proposals, and Presentations	3
	INOV 2500	Business Law and Innovation	3
	INOV 3010	Innovation Team: Research and Execute	3
	INOV 4010	Innovation Team: Design and Lead	3
	INOV 4500	Entrepreneurship and Strategy	3
BI Cross Discipline Core (15 hours)	Complete one of the Cross-Discipline Cores listed below. Each Cross-Discipline Core consists of 15 credit hours. See the degree audit or the Bachelor of Innovation page in the Academic Catalog for specific course information. Business, Engineering Technology, Globalization, Inclusive Education, Custom Core (for Veterans and Transfer students only)		

¹MUS 1010 requires MUS 1005 or instructor consent to enroll. MUS 1005 is a 2-credit course and, if taken, will apply to the 25 hours of general education (non-Music) electives that are needed to complete the bachelor's degree.

²For each type of Applied Lessons, students must begin with MUS 1600 and move through each level in sequence. [Visit this page](#) to register for lessons.

VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS, BI - MUSIC

General Education and Elective Requirements

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Core Writing Requirement (3 hours)	- ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>) - Writing Portfolio – PORT 3000 (0 credits) or PORT 4000 (1 credit) or alternative – See Degree Audit	
Reasoning Skills (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
Core Humanities (3 hours)	- HUM 3990 - This course also fulfills Navigate and one Writing Intensive course.	
Natural Sciences Lab (1 hour)	- See Degree Audit - This can be taken as part of an Explore – PNW course that has a lab component	
Oral Communication	- See Degree Audit - This course may also fulfill general education or major requirements.	
LAS Language other than English Requirement	Complete two semesters of a language other than English equivalent to 1010 & 1020 with high school, transfer, placement exam, or UCCS coursework. <i>Courses taken to fulfill this requirement may also count toward Compass Curriculum Explore - Arts, Humanities and Cultures or general electives. See degree audit for details.</i>	
Compass Curriculum (15 hours) - Explore and Navigate courses must be taken in departments other than the major. - Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses may count toward other requirements within the degree.	Component	Course
	Gateway Program Seminar	GPS 1010
	Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures (2 courses)	- INOV 1010 or INOV 1011 (included in BI Core) - See Degree Audit
	Explore – Society, Behavior and Health (2 courses)	- INOV 1000 or INOV 1001 (included in BI Core) - See Degree Audit
	Explore – Physical and Natural World (2 courses)	See Degree Audit
	Navigate	INOV 3010 (included in BI Core)
	Summit	INOV 4500 (included in BI Core)
	Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) (2 courses) <i>Must include one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	- INOV 2010 (included in BI Core) - INOV 3010 (included in BI Core)
	Inclusiveness (2 courses: 1 Local and 1 Global)	- Local: INOV 1010 or INOV 1011 (included in BI Core) - Global: See Degree Audit
	Sustainability	INOV 1000 or INOV 1001 (included in BI Core)
General Electives (18 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		ENGL 1310	3		MUS 1010 (<i>spring only</i>)	3
		GPS 1010	3		MUS 1030 (<i>spring only</i>)	1
		INOV 1000 or INOV 1001	3		MUS 1040	1
		Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures Course	3		INOV 1010 or INOV 1011	3
		General Elective OR MUS 1005 (<i>fall only</i>), if needed, AND 1-hr General Elective	3		Explore – Society, Behavior and Health Course	3
					Cross-Discipline Core Course	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	14

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		MUS 2010 (<i>fall only</i>)	3		VAPA 1000-Level Course	3
		MUS 2030 (<i>fall only</i>)	1		MUS Ensemble Course	2
		MUS 2850 (<i>fall only</i>)	3		INOV 2100	3
		INOV 2010	3		Cross-Discipline Core Course	3
		INOV 2500	3		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Natural Science Lab	1
		TOTAL	16		TOTAL	15

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		Upper-Division (UD) MUS Elective	3		UD MUS Elective	3
		MUS Elective	3		Cross-Discipline Core Course	3
		VAPA 3000-Level Course	3		HUM 3990	3
		INOV 3010	3		General Elective (<i>Oral Communication</i>)	3
		Reasoning Skills Course (<i>INDS 1050</i>)	3		UD General Elective (<i>Inclusiveness</i>)	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		UD MUS Elective	3		MUS 4980	3
		UD MUS Elective	3		INOV 4500	3
		INOV 4010	3		UD Cross-Discipline Core Course	3
		Cross-Discipline Core Course	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		TOTAL	15		TOTAL	15