MUSIC B.A.

University of Colorado Colorado Springs

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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)

Major Requirements

Music Major
(52 hours)

- Requires a minimum of 52 credit hours of MUS course work and an additional 9 hours of VAPA department auxiliary course work.
- Requires a minimum of 23 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) MUS course work and an additional 6 hours of upper-division auxiliary course work.
- All major and auxiliary course work must have a grade of "C" or better.

NOTES:

1. This degree program requires an audition.
2. All music majors must meet with the program's Co-Director each semester for academic advising.
3. MUS 1000, 1001, 1005, 1006, 2050, and 2100 cannot count towards Music Electives for the major.
4. MUS 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.
5. For 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.

Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
MUS 1010 *(see notes)*	Music Theory I: Systems of Pitch and Representation *(spring only)*	3
MUS 1030	Aural Skills & Musicianship I *(spring only)*	1
MUS 1040	Class Piano	1
MUS 2010	Music Theory II: Styles of Counterpoint *(fall only)*	3
MUS 2030	Aural Skills & Musicianship II *(fall only)*	1
MUS 2150	Electronic and Computer Music I	3
MUS 2850	Topics in Music History and Research I *(fall only)*	3
MUS 3010	Music Theory III: Sound in Time, from Rhythm to Form *(fall only)*	3
MUS 3030	Sight Singing and Ear Training III *(fall only)*	1
MUS 4010	Music Theory IV: Musical Practices and Processes *(spring only)*	3
MUS 4980	Music Capstone: Senior Thesis	3
Upper-Division Music History Elective	Complete one of the following courses. MUS 3150, 3850, 4750	3
Ensemble Courses	*Complete 6 hours from the following courses.* ***All music majors must take either 1200, 2300 or 4300.*** MUS 1100, 1200, 1250, 1310, 2210, 2250, 2300, 2400, 3050, 3051, 3052, 3053, 4300	6
Applied Lessons *(see notes)*	*Complete 6 hours of private instruction, 1 hour each of 1600 and 2600, and 2 hours each of 3600 and 4600, on a primary instrument or voice:* • MUS 1600 – Applied Music – Private Instruction (Freshman level) • MUS 2600 – Private Instruction: Advanced (Sophomore level) • MUS 3600 – Private Instruction: Junior Recital • MUS 4600 – Private Instruction: Senior Recital	6
Upper-Division Music Electives	*Complete 6 hours of upper-division (3000+ level) courses from the following list. Additional hours of Applied Lessons will count for electives.* MUS 3050, 3051, 3052, 3053, 3150, 3200, 3450, 3500, 3700, 3850, 3950, 4030, 4250, 4300, 4750, 4950, 4960	6
Additional Music Electives	*Complete 6 UNUSED hours from the following list. Additional hours of Applied Lessons will count for electives.* MUS 1100, 1200, 1250, 1310, 2155, 2210, 2250, 2300, 2400, 2450, 2500, 2950, 3050, 3051, 3052, 3053, 3150, 3200, 3450, 3500, 3700, 3850, 3950, 4030, 4250, 4300, 4750, 4950, 4960	6
Auxiliary Requirements		
VAPA 1000-level Core course	*Complete one 1000-level VAPA Core course from the following:* VAPA 1005, 1020, 1050, 1100, 1200, 1300, 1400, 1500	3
VAPA 3000-level Core courses	*Complete 6 hours of 3000-level VAPA Core courses from the following:* VAPA 3900, 3910, 3920, 3950, 3955, 3960, 3970, 3980, 3990	6

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General Education and Elective Requirements

Core Writing Requirement (6 hours)	• ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 *(Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.)* • ENGL 1410 • 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 o This course also fulfills Navigate and one Writing Intensive course.
Natural Sciences Lab (1 hour)	• See Degree Audit o This can be taken as part of an Explore – PNW course that has a lab component
Oral Communication	• See Degree Audit o 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. *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.*

Compass Curriculum (21 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)*	See Degree Audit
Explore – Society, Behavior and Health *(2 courses)*	See Degree Audit
Explore – Physical and Natural World *(2 courses)*	See Degree Audit
Navigate	HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)
Summit	MUS 4980 (included in major requirements)
Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) *(2 courses)* *Must include one upper-division (3000+ level)*	• HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements) • See Degree Audit
Inclusiveness *(2 courses: 1 Global and 1 Local)*	See Degree Audit
Sustainability	See Degree Audit

General Electives (25 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.**

	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
Year One		ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410	3
		MUS 1600	1		MUS 1010 *(spring only)*	3
		MUS Ensemble Course	2		MUS 1030 *(spring only)*	1
		GPS 1010	3		MUS 1040	1
		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3		MUS 2150	3
		General Elective **OR** MUS 1005 *(fall only)*, if needed, **AND** 1-hr General Elective	3		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course *(Writing Intensive)*	3
		TOTAL	15		**TOTAL**	14

	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
Year Two		MUS 2010 *(fall only)*	3		MUS 4010 *(spring only)*	3
		MUS 2030 *(fall only)*	1		MUS Ensemble Course	2
		MUS 2850 *(fall only)*	3		VAPA 1000-Level Core Course	3
		MUS 2600	1		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		Reasoning Skills course - *INDS 1050*	3		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Natural Science Lab	1
		TOTAL	14		**TOTAL**	15

	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
Year Three		MUS 3010 *(fall only)*	3		MUS 3600 *(Junior Recital)*	1
		MUS 3030 *(fall only)*	1		MUS Ensemble Course	2
		MUS 3600	1		MUS Elective	3
		MUS Elective	3		VAPA 3000-level Core Course	3
		VAPA 3000-level Core Course	3		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures	3
		General Elective *(Oral Communication)*	3		General Elective *(Inclusiveness)*	4
		TOTAL	14		**TOTAL**	16

	√	FALL	Hours	√	SPRING	Hours
Year Four		MUS 4600	1		MUS 4600	1
		Upper-Division (UD) MUS History Elective	3		MUS 4980	3
		UD MUS Elective	3		UD MUS Elective	3
		HUM 3990	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective	3		UD General Elective	3
		UD General Elective *(Inclusiveness)*	3		UD General Elective *(Sustainability)*	3
		TOTAL	16		**TOTAL**	16