Major Map: Music Bachelor of Music (B.M.) Theory Concentration

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This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding "critical courses" for this particular Program of Study.

ritical		Credit Hours				Prerequisites	Notes
Semes	ter One (15-17 Credit Hours)						
!	ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition	3	С		CC-CMW		
	Major Ensemble <sup>3</sup>	1	С	*	MR		
!	MUED 155 Group Piano <sup>4</sup> (or demonstration of piano prof.)	2	С	*	MR		
!	MUSC 117 Aural Skills I	1	С	*	MR		
<del>i</del>	MUSC 111A-Z Lower Div. Applied Music <sup>5</sup>	2-3	C	*	MR		
•	MUSC 100 Music Convocation	0	S		MR		
	Foreign Language <sup>6</sup> or other Carolina Core Req. <sup>7</sup>	3-4	•		CC-GFL		
	Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup>	3			CC		
most	er Two (16-17 Credit Hours)	J		ļ	CC		
	ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition	3	С	1	CC-CMW/INF	C or better in ENGL 101	
•	Major Ensemble <sup>3</sup>	1	C	*	MR	C of better in LINOL 101	
!	MUED 156 Group Piano <sup>4</sup> (or demonstration of piano	2	C	*	MR	C or better in MUED 155 or advanced	
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!	prof.) MUSC 115 Music Theory I	3	С		CC-AIU	placement via exam	
!	•	3				C or better in MUSC 114 (or passing score on the Ugrad Theory Diag. Exam)	
!	MUSC 118 Aural Skills II	1	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 117	
!	MUSC 111A-Z Lower Div. Applied Music⁵	2-3	С	*	MR		
	MUSC 100 Music Convocation	0	S		MR		
	MUSC 100L Recital Class Laboratory	1	С	*	MR		
	Foreign Language <sup>6</sup> or other Carolina Core Req. <sup>7</sup>	3			CC-GFL		
mes	ter Three (16-18 Credit Hours)						
	MUSC 316 Music Composition I	3	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 115 or equiv.	
!	MUSC 215 Music Theory II	3	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 115	
!	MUSC 217 Aural Skills III	1	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 118	
	Major Ensemble <sup>3</sup>	1	С	*	MR		
!	MUSC 111A-Z Lower Div. Applied Music <sup>5</sup>	2-3	С	*	MR		
	Foreign Language <sup>6</sup> or Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup>	3			MR/CC		
	Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup>	3-4			CC		
emes	ter Four (16-17 Credit Hours)				33		
,,,,,	MUSC 353 History of Western Music I	3	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 100L & 115	
	Theory Elective <sup>8</sup>	3	C	*	MR	0 01 B0001 111 W1000 100E 0 110	
1	MUSC 218 Aural Skills IV	1	C	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 217	
•	Major Ensemble <sup>3</sup>	1	C	*	MR	C of better in wood 217	
•	MUSC 111A-Z Lower Div. Applied Music <sup>5</sup>	2-3	С	*	MR		
	MUSC 312 Counterpoint	3	C	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 215	
	Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup>	3	C		CC	C of better in wood 215	
		0	S		MR		
	MUSC 100A Music Advocacy I	U	5		IVIR		
mes	ter Five (17-18 Credit Hours)			*	MD		
	Theory Concentration Requirement <sup>9</sup>	3	С	*	MR	0 1 " : 111100 050	
	MUSC 354 History of Western Music II	3	С	*	MR/CC-INT	C or better in MUSC 353	
	MUSC 333 Basic Choral & Instr. Conducting	2	С		MR	C or better in MUSC 217	
	Music History & Literature Elective <sup>10</sup>	3	С	*	MR		
	Major Ensemble <sup>3</sup>	1	С	*	MR		
	MUSC 311A-Z Upper Div. Applied Music <sup>5</sup>	2-3	С	*	MR		
	Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup>	3			CC		
emes	ter Six (17-18 Credit Hours)	,		,			
	Theory Concentration Requirement <sup>9</sup>	3	С	*	MR		
	MUSC 445 ST: Musicology & Ethnomusicology	3	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 354 (MUSC 445 &	
	or MUSC 544 Topics in Music History					546)	
	or MUSC 546 Black Sacred Music						
	MUSC 311A-Z Upper Div. Applied Music <sup>5</sup>	2-3	С	*	MR		
	Concentration Elective <sup>11</sup>	2	С	*	MR		
	Major Ensemble <sup>3</sup>	1	С	*	MR		
	Fine Arts Elective (any non-music CC-AIU course)	3	C	*	MR		
	Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup>	3			CC		
mes	ter Seven (16 Credit Hours)						
	MUSC 518 Form & Analysis	3	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 215	
	Theory Concentration Requirement9	3	С	*	MR		
	Technology Elective <sup>12</sup>	3	С	*	MR		
	Concentration Elective <sup>11</sup>	3	С	*	MR		
	MUSC 130A-Z Ensemble (Chamber) <sup>13</sup>	1	C	*	MR		

Semester Eight (13-17 hours)						
MUSC 313 20 <sup>th</sup> -Century Tech. and Materials	3	С	*	MR	C or better in MUSC 215	
or MUSC 525 Post-Tonal Music Theory						
Music History & Literature Elective <sup>10</sup>	3	С	*	MR		
Technology Elective <sup>12</sup>	3	С	*	MR		
Ensemble (major or chamber) <sup>3 &amp; 13</sup>	1	С	*	MR		
Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup> or Elective <sup>14</sup>	3-4			CC/PR		
Carolina Core Requirement <sup>7</sup> or Elective <sup>14</sup> (depends	0-3			CC/PR		
on req. needed to meet Carolina Core or hrs. to						
graduate)						

**Graduation Requirements Summary** 

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Major Requirements Hours	College & Program Requirements Hours	Carolina Core Hours	Minimum Institutional GPA
128	90	1-7	31-37	2.000

- 1. Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.50 GPA on all MUSC & MUED courses and a 2.00 cumulative GPA.
- 2. Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
- 3. Students are required to participate in the major ensemble most closely related to their primary instrument. Students must declare a primary instrument upon acceptance into the program. Ensembles are: Marching Band, Symphonic Winds, Wind Ensemble, University Orchestra, Concert Choir, & University Chorus. Some ensembles require an audition for membership. Regulations for attendance at ensemble rehearsals & performances are different from regulations for class attendance. Members of ensembles are expected to be present at every rehearsal & performance, unless excused by the conductor.
- 4. MUED 155 and 156 are not required if taking MUSC 111P for Piano as primary instrument or if a student passes the proficiency exam.
- 5. Applied Music must be completed satisfactorily for a minimum of six semesters & 12 hours of credit.
- 6. Students in the Theory concentration are required to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language equivalent to the 122 course through course credit or the corresponding foreign language placement score.
- 7. The Carolina Core provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
- 8. Theory Electives (6 hours): MUSC 312, 313, 315, 319, 320, 515, 518, 525, 526, 528.
- 9. Theory Concentration requirements (9 hours): MUSC 313 or 525, 315, 319, 320, 515, 526, 528.
- 10. Music History and Literature Electives (6 hours): MUSC 543, 544, 545, 546, 548, 549, 555, 557, 558, 559, and 587.
- 11. Concentration Electives: Any MUED or MUSC courses (other than MUSC 103, 104, 105, 110, 113, 140, 203). Students must complete a minimum of 9 hours of concentration electives, including MUED 155 & 156, if needed.
- 12. Technology electives (6 hours): MUSC 336, 365, 540, 565, and 571.
- 13. Courses which qualify for the Chamber Music requirement include all MUSC 130 courses with a suffix of A-Z and topics in: Voice, String, Percussion, Wind, Guitar, and Keyboard. Students enrolling in an ensemble to fulfill a degree requirement must register for at least 1 credit hour.
- 14. No courses of a remedial, developmental, skill-acquiring, or vocational nature may apply as credit toward degrees in the School of Music. The School of Music allows the use of the Pass-Fail option on elective courses. Further clarification on inapplicable courses can be obtained from the School of Music.

## **Program Notes:**

- Courses identified as "critical" have a deadline for completion. ENGL 101 & 102 must be completed within the first 60 semester hours of work in order to be credited toward graduation. MUSC courses identified as "critical" must be completed in order to be admitted to the upper division.
- Please check your proposal progression through the approval process in APPS. It is still awaiting external approvals before bulletin publication.
- All undergraduate students must take a 3-credit course or its equivalent with a passing grade that covers the founding documents. This course may fulfill any requirement in the program of study. Courses that meet this requirement are listed in the academic <u>bulletin</u>.
- Performance Certificate: The performance certificate is awarded by the School of Music to recognize those undergraduate music students with degree
  emphases other than music performance, as well as those students not majoring in music. The performance certificate will allow gifted and highly
  motivated students to acquire additional credit, professorial interaction, & guidance, and departmental distinction in music performance.

**University Requirements:** Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the Carolina Core page on the University website.

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Codes:							
CC	Carolina Core	CC-INF	Carolina Core – Information Literacy				
CC-AIU	Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding	CC-INT	Carolina Core – Integrative Course				
CC-ARP	Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving	CC-SCI	Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy				
CC-CMS	Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component	CC-VSR	Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility				
CC-CMW	Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component	CR	College Requirement				
CC-GFL	Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language	MR	Major Requirement				
CC-GHS	Carolina Core – Historical Thinking	PR	Program Requirement				
CC-GSS	Carolina Core – Social Sciences						

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.