­­­­Requirements- minimum 120 hours

## General Education Requirements

## Core I- 9 hours

### First Year Seminar (3 hours) 100/200 level CT (6 hours)

### MTH 121= 3 hours of CT

### Recommend: Select a second CT course from social sciences/ humanities that meets both Core and Music requirements.

**Core II- 25 hours (100 and 200 levels)**

*Select courses to ensure 6 hours of writing intensive credits and 3 hours of multicultural credits.*

**Composition (6 hours)**

English 101 and 201 or English 201H (honors)

ACT scores of <18 (SAT 440), first take ENG 099

ACT scores of 18-27 take ENG 101

ACT scores of 28-33 take ENG 201H

ACT scores of 34-36 receive ENG credit.

**Communication Studies 103 (3 hours)**

*The requirement may be waived by the Communication Studies Department if high school speech was taken, and if*

*the student passes the appropriate exam.*

**Mathematics 121 or above (3 hours)**

Math ACT of 12-16 (SAT 250-390) first take MTH 098

Math ACT of 17-18 (SAT 400-450) first take MTH 099

**Fine Arts (3 hours)**

Art 112 or Theater 112 **Physical or Natural Science (4 hours) Social Sciences (3 hours)**

## Humanities (3 hours)

 **Theory and Composition Requirements**

**Other Requirements**

1. A minimum of 120 hours, with 40 credit hours at the 300-499 level and 73 credit hours in the major, are required for graduation. All courses in the major must be completed with grades of "C" or higher and a cumulative GPA of 2.0 is required for graduation.
2. Core I courses (9 hours), include: 3 hours of First Year Seminar (FYS) and 6 hours of Critical Thinking courses.
3. Core II courses (a minimum of 25 hours of 100/200-level courses) include: 6 hours of English Composition (including receipt of a grade of "C" or higher in ENG 102 or ENG 201H); 4 hours of Natural or Physical Science; 3 hours each from the areas of Communication Studies, Fine Arts, Humanities, Mathematics (121 or higher), and Social Sciences. The list of specific approved courses that can fulfill these requirements changes over time. Students should consult their departmental academic advisors for further information.
4. Six hours of courses designated as "writing intensive" and three hours of courses designated as "international" or "multicultural."
5. In order to complete the degree within the 120 credit hour plan, students are encouraged to select courses that meet two or more college or core requirements. See course attributes each semester for courses that fulfill specific requirements.
6. Students will complete 13 elective hours outside of the major.
7. Numerous courses within College of Fine Arts degree programs are sequential, meaning that they must be taken with the appropriate pre-requisite and/or co-requisite courses. Please refer to catalogue course descriptions or consult departmental academic advisors.
8. If students follow this graduation plan and do not withdraw from or fail to complete any courses, they can graduate within four academic years. This plan is a guide only. Course offerings in a given semester may alter the specific layout of the degree plan.
9. Individual academic advising is mandatory for students in the College of Arts and Media each semester prior to registration. Students who have declared a major in Fine Arts are assigned an advisor in the appropriate department. Undecided Fine Arts majors will see the Associate Dean of Fine Arts for advising. It is imperative that students meet with their academic advisors to implement a successful plan of course selection.
10. MUS 179 A-D is available for students to take to complete the piano proficiency requirement. Each class is one credit. Students will be given a proficiency placement exam prior to their first semester of study and the appropriate section of MUS 179 (if necessary) will be determined by the piano faculty.

**Music Core………………………………………………………..……15 hours**

### MUS 100 Applied Music Laboratory

### MUS 111 Elementary Music Theory I

### MUS 112 Elementary Music Theory II

### MUS 113 Elementary Aural Skills I

### MUS 114 Elementary Aural Skills II

### MUS 211 Advanced Music Theory I

### MUS 213 Advanced Aural Skills I

MUS 218 Introduction to Music Technology

MUS 376 Junior Recital

**Music Area of Emphasis………………………………………...56 hours**

MUS 180 Applied Composition

MUS 212 Advanced Music Theory II

MUS 214 Advanced Aural Skills II

Or

MUS 217 Jazz Theory

MUS 290 Music History to 1750

MUS 301 Analysis

 MUS 315 Basic Conducting

 Or

MUS 415 Advanced Conducting

MUS 317 Counterpoint

 MUS 320 Instrumental Arranging

 Or

MUS 322 Orchestration

MUS 360 Music History 1730-1900

MUS 380 Applied Composition

MUS 361 Music History since 1900

### MUS 432 Electronic Music Composition

### MUS 498 Capstone

* Five to six (5-6) credit hours of 100-level applied study on the principal instrument
* Four (4) credit hours of 200-level principle ensemble relating directly to the principal applied area. These must be earned in 4 different semester.
* Eight (8) credit hours of MUS 180 Applied Composition. These must be earned in four different semesters.
* Eight (8) credit hours of MUS 380 Applied Composition. These must be earned in four different semesters.
* Full-time music students are required to participate in ensembles in each semester of residence. Composers may substitute one hour of MUS 270 for a 200 level ensemble, one hour of MUS 470
* One (1) credit of improvisation class.
* Three (3)- Seven (7) credit hours of directed music electives relating to the student’s principal performance area. Within these directed electives, students are expected to study specialized repertoire, techniques and performances problems in their principal applied areas. Electives should be chosen in consultation with the student’s program advisor.
* In addition to formal coursework in this area of emphasis, both a junior recital (MUS 376, minimum of 30 minutes of music) and a senior recital (MUS 476, minimum of 50 minutes of music) are required for graduation.



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