

MUSIC | BACHELOR OF ARTS: PERFORMING ARTS (MUSIC)

Interested in a variety of musical experiences and topics? The Bachelor of Arts in Music degree is a liberal arts degree for students who desire to pursue music studies combined with a second area of study. While not a professional music degree, students will find flexibility in the program to develop practical, innovative, creative, and synthesizing abilities that can be applied to a variety of careers and/or graduate programs.

Music at FHSU is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (<https://nasm.arts-accredit.org/>).

Program Summary

Code	Title	Hours
General Education		34
Bachelor of Arts Language Requirement		10
Required Courses		
Performing Arts Core		12
Music Core Curriculum		22
Directed Choices		
Applied Lessons		4
Large Ensemble		4
Directed Electives		4
Open Electives ¹		30
Total Hours		120

¹ Open electives are the credit hours required to reach a minimum of 120 total hours and 45 upper-level hours. The number listed assumes all courses are completed at FHSU as listed. This number may vary if students transfer courses, or have individual substitutions allowed.

Students should speak with their advisor if either situation applies to determine if the number will vary, and to ensure they enroll in a minimum of 45 upper-level hours.

Students entering within 1 year of high school graduation will take UNIV 101 Freshman Seminar and may apply that hour in the open elective category.

Program Requirements

General Education

All undergraduate degrees require completion of the Kansas Systemwide General Education (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/general-education/>).

Courses identified with ^{GE} on this page may satisfy a general education requirement in addition to the identified degree requirement. Students who apply a degree requirement to satisfy a general education requirement will typically add an equal number of hours to the the university elective category. This flexibility may allow you to complete a minor or certificate within the 120 hour degree. Transfer students and students majoring in programs with approved exceptions (<https://www.fhsu.edu/general-education/documents/fhsu-gen-ed-transfer-exceptions-explainer1.pdf>) are especially encouraged to select these courses in completing General Education requirements to maximize the likelihood of completing the degree with 120 credit hours.

Code	Title	Hours
General Education		34-35

Students can satisfy the Art and Humanities area of the general education curriculum (6 hours) with courses specifically required in the major.

BA Language Requirement

All FHSU students pursuing a BA degree are required to take two consecutive non-English language classes. Students taking beginning Spanish or French classes may be able to apply the first class to the Arts and Humanities area of the general education requirement.

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Bachelor of Arts Language Requirement		10

Code	Title	Hours
Performing Arts Core		
MUS 161	Listening to Music ^{GE}	3
or MUS 192	Music Styles and Context	
MUS 361	World Music	3
THTR 120	Introduction to Theatre ^{GE}	3
COMM 125	Introduction to Motion Pictures ^{GE}	3
Total Hours		12

Code	Title	Hours
Music Core		
MUS 121	Group Piano I	1
MUS 122	Group Piano II	1
MUS 181	Music Theory I	3
MUS 182	Aural Skills I	1
MUS 183	Music Theory II	3
MUS 184	Aural Skills II	1
MUS 291	Rock Music Styles	3
MUS 491	Music History I	3
MUS 492	Music History II	3
MUS 391	Jazz	3
Total Hours		22

Ensembles & Applied Lessons

All students must complete 4 credit hours of ensemble credit. Students must participate in ensembles for 4 semesters. Students also take lessons each semester and must complete 4 credit hours in Applied Lessons. They take the lower division lessons for the first two years, and upper division lessons the second two years. Specific registrations are noted in the areas when required for the concentration

Code	Title	Hours
Ensembles		4
MUS 600	Concert Choir	
MUS 601	FHSU Bands	
MUS 602	Symphonic Band/Wind Ensemble	
MUS 603	Hays Symphony	
Applied Lessons II		4
MUS 230	Applied Lessons II: Bassoon	
MUS 231	Applied Lessons II: Cello	

MUS 232	Applied Lessons II: Clarinet
MUS 233	Applied Lessons II: Double Bass
MUS 234	Applied Lessons II: Electric Bass
MUS 235	Applied Lessons II: Euphonium
MUS 236	Applied Lessons II: Flute
MUS 237	Applied Lessons II: Guitar
MUS 238	Applied Lessons II: Harpsichord
MUS 239	Applied Lessons: Horn
MUS 240	Applied Lessons II: Lute
MUS 241	Applied Lessons II: Oboe
MUS 242	Applied Lessons II: Organ
MUS 243	Applied Lessons II: Percussion
MUS 244	Applied Lessons II: Piano
MUS 245	Applied Lessons II: Saxophone
MUS 246	Applied Lessons II: Trombone
MUS 247	Applied Lessons II: Trumpet
MUS 248	Applied Lessons II: Tuba
MUS 249	Applied Lessons II: Violin
MUS 250	Applied Lessons II: Viola
MUS 251	Applied Lessons II
MUS 252	Applied Lessons II: Voice

Code	Title	Hours
Music Directed Electives		4
MUS ???	Student must take 4 additional hours of music (MUS) courses	

Degree Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Bachelor of Arts Degree Language Requirement		
Two consecutive semesters of a non-English Language		
All bachelor degrees require:		
GPA of 2.0 on FHSU courses & 2.0 on all coursework (Higher program requirements prevail over the 2.0 when set)		
A minimum of 30 hours earned from FHSU with a grade of D, C, B, or A		
Successful completion of an upper division Writing and Information Literacy course (Most majors contain a course designated)		
A minimum of 45 hours of recognized upper division credit		
A minimum of 120 hours of recognized college credit		

Degree Maps

Course	Title	Hours
Sophomore		
Fall		
Modern Languages (https://www.fhsu.edu/mlng/)		5
SGE050 - Social Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area		3
SGE070 - Institutionally Designated Area: Personal and Professional Development		
FIN 205	Principles of Personal Finance ^{1, GE}	3
Directed Electives		2
MUS 2XX		1
MUS 6XX		1
Hours		15

Spring		
Modern Languages (https://www.fhsu.edu/mlng/)		5
SGE050 - Social Behavioral Sciences Discipline Area		3
SGE040 - Natural Physical Science Discipline Area		4
MUS 2XX		1
MUS 6XX		1
Directed Electives		1
Hours		15

Junior		
Fall		
MUS 361	World Music	3
BCOM 201	Introduction to Corporate Communication	3
INF 346	Beginning Video Production	3
MGT 301	Management Principles	3
Directed Electives		3
Hours		15

Spring		
COMM 125	Introduction to Motion Pictures	3
MUS 291	Rock Music Styles	3
MUS 271	Songwriting	3
ENTR 301	Discovering Entrepreneurship	3
INF 348	Beginning Audio Production	3
Hours		15

Senior		
Fall		
SGE070 - Institutionally Designated Area: Critical Thinking		3
MUS 391	Jazz	3
MKT 610	Social Media Marketing	3
INF 322	Topics in Informatics	3
Directed Electives		3
Hours		15

Spring		
Writing & Information Literacy Requirement		3
MUS 388	Advanced Music Technology	3
MUS 684	Literature	3
MUS 677	Internship in Music	3
Directed Electives		3
Hours		15

First Year		
Fall		
ENG 101	English Composition I	3
COMM 100	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
UNIV 101	Freshman Seminar	1
MUS 121	Group Piano I	1
MUS 181	Music Theory I	3
MUS 182	Aural Skills I	1
MUS 2XX		1
MUS 6XX		1
Hours		14

Spring		
ENG 102	English Composition II	3
SGE030 - Math Statistics Discipline Area		3
THTR 120	Introduction to Theatre	3
MUS 122	Group Piano II	1
MUS 184	Aural Skills II	1
MUS 161	Listening to Music	3
or MUS 192	or Music Styles and Context	
MUS 2XX		1
MUS 6XX		1
Hours		16

Second Year

Spring

Bachelor of Arts Language Requirement - suggested Gen Ed	
Hours	0
Total Hours	120

¹ Suggested General Education course that also fulfills a major requirement

Academic Degree Maps are term-by-term sample course plans that specify milestones, courses, and special requirements that are necessary for facilitating on-time completion. Degree Maps are *examples* and are not prescriptive. Individualized choices such as concentration options, transfer credits, optional minors, advisory programs (certificates), etc. can alter the recommended coursework. Course offerings are subject to change. Students should consult with their academic advisors for additional guidance on course planning.

To determine courses to take in the directed choices (often listed as Program Elective Course) and directed elective course blocks see the overview tab for courses. To locate approved courses in General Education areas (Undergraduate Programs) see the general education section (<https://catalog.fhsu.edu/general-education/>) of the catalog.

The undergraduate course maps typically advise the most efficient route for students to complete the general education requirements. Courses that are required in the major may be listed as fulfilling relevant general education requirements. This will result in more open elective course hours in some maps than is listed on the degree overview page.