

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		