

Suggested Arrangement of Courses, Composition (BMusic)

Requirements		Hours
1st Semester		
PIA 210	Lower-Division Music Performance: Principal (Major)	2
MUS 605A	Musicianship (Major)	3
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1
RHE 306	Rhetoric and Writing (Core) ⁰¹⁰	3
UGS 302	First-Year Signature Course (Core) ⁰⁹⁰	3
or UGS 303	First-Year Signature Course	
Natural Science and Technology, Part I (Core) ⁰³⁰		3
2nd Semester		
PIA 210	Lower-Division Music Performance: Principal (Major)	2
MUS 605B	Musicianship (Major)	3
MUS 312C	Music and Culture (Core, Major) ⁰⁵⁰	3
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1
Mathematics (Core) ⁰²⁰		3
Natural Science and Technology, Part I (Core) ⁰³⁰		3
3rd Semester		
MUS 224G	Intermediate Composition (Major)	2
MUS 411A	Ear Training and Sight-Singing (Major)	2
MUS 612A	Structure of Tonal Music (Major)	3
MUS 213M	History of Music I (Major)	2
MUS 319D	Foundations of Digital Sound and Music (Major)	3
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1
E 316L	British Literature (Core) ⁰⁴⁰	3
or E 316M	American Literature	
or E 316N	World Literature	
or E 316P	Masterworks of Literature	
4th Semester		
MUS 224G	Intermediate Composition (Major)	2
MUS 411B	Ear Training and Sight-Singing (Major)	2
MUS 612B	Structure of Tonal Music (Major)	3
MUS 213N	History of Music II (Major)	2
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1
Natural Science and Technology, Part II (Core) ⁰⁹³		3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (Core) ⁰⁸⁰		3
5th Semester		
MUS 224G	Intermediate Composition (Major)	2
MUS 321J	Twentieth-Century Musical Analysis (Major)	3
MUS 325L	Counterpoint (Major)	3
MUS 226J	Orchestration and Instrumentation (Major)	2
MUS 230L	History of Music III (Major)	2
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1

Free elective (Elective)		3
6th Semester		
MUS 224J	Advanced Composition (Major)	2
MUS 164L	Advanced Ear Training (Major)	1
MUS 325M	Counterpoint (Major)	3
MUS 226K	Orchestration and Instrumentation (Major)	2
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1
U.S. History (Core) ⁰⁶⁰		3
Free elective (Elective)		3
7th Semester		
MUS 222J	Instrumental Conducting (Major)	2
or MUS 223J	Choral Conducting	
MUS 224J	Advanced Composition (Major)	2
Upper-division MUS Media course (Major)		3
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1
Communication (Core)		3
GOV 310L	American and Texas Government (Core) ⁰⁷⁰	3
8th Semester		
MUS 224J	Advanced Composition (Major)	2
Upper-division MUS Literature course (Major)		3
MUS 160C	Senior Composition Recital (Major)	1
Approved Ensemble (Major)		1
GOV 312L	Issues and Policies in American Government (Core) ⁰⁷⁰	3
U.S. History (Core) ⁰⁶⁰		3
Total Hours		120

Four-year degree suggestion (for planning purposes only).

Currently enrolled students should meet with their academic advisor.

Course categories: Core, General Education[†], Major, Elective, Opportunity

Core Component Areas: ⁰¹⁰ Communication; ⁰²⁰ Mathematics; ⁰³⁰ Natural Science and Technology, Part I; ⁰⁴⁰ Humanities; ⁰⁵⁰ Visual and Performing Arts; ⁰⁶⁰ U.S. History; ⁰⁷⁰ American and Texas Government; ⁰⁸⁰ Social and Behavioral Sciences; ⁰⁹⁰ First-Year Signature Course; ⁰⁹³ Natural Science and Technology, Part II

Undergraduate Degree Program listing

[†] Effective April 2025, UT Austin no longer requires Skills and Experience flags.