

MUSIC: MUSIC COMPOSITION, BA

Degree Requirements

Requirements for Students Matriculating in or before Academic Year 2026-2027. Learn more about University Academic Regulation 3.1 (<https://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#matriculation>).

Minimum Overall Grade Point Average: 2.00

Total Hours: 120

Code	Title	Hours
General Education Requirements		
<i>English Composition</i>		
See Academic Regulation 3.5 (https://catalog.okstate.edu/university-academic-regulations/#english-composition)		
ENGL 1113	Composition I	3
or ENGL 1313	Critical Analysis and Writing I	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 1213	Composition II	
ENGL 1413	Critical Analysis and Writing II	
ENGL 3323	Technical Writing	
<i>American History & Government</i>		
HIST 1103	Survey of American History	3
or HIST 1483	American History to 1865 (H)	
or HIST 1493	American History Since 1865 (DH)	
POLS 1113	American Government	3
<i>Quantitative Thought & Logical Reasoning (Q)</i>		
MATH or STAT course designated (Q)		3
<i>Understanding Humanities-Human Heritage & Cultures (H)</i>		
MUSI 3753	History of Music to 1600 (H) (Minimum grade of "C")	3
Courses designated (H)		3
<i>Reasoning in the Natural Sciences (N)</i>		
Must include one Laboratory-Based Inquiry (L) course		
Courses designated (N)		6
<i>Exploring Society & Human Behavior (S)</i>		
Courses designated (S)		3
<i>Diversity (D)</i>		
Courses designated (D)		3
<i>Global Cultural Competency (G)</i>		
Courses designated (G)		3
<i>Additional General Education</i>		
Additional general education credit hours (at least 4 hours) are required to meet the total 40-hour minimum. If courses carry more than one general education designation and can be used to meet multiple minimum general education designation hours above, more than 4 hours of additional general education will be required here to meet the 40-hour minimum.		
Courses designated (Q), (H), (N), (S), (D), (G), or (F).		4
Hours Subtotal		40
College/Departmental Requirements		

<i>First Year Seminar</i>		
(Transfer students with 15 hours exempt)		1
<i>Arts & Humanities</i>		
See note 2.a.		9
<i>Natural & Mathematical Sciences</i>		
See note 2.b.		3
<i>Foreign Language</i>		
See note 3		9
<i>Non-Western Studies</i>		
At least one course		
(See note 2.d.)		
<i>Upper-Division General Education</i>		
Select 6 hours outside major department		
See note 2.c.		
Hours Subtotal		22
Major Requirements		
Minimum 2.50 GPA with minimum grade of "C" in all MUSI and JAZZ courses.		
MUSI 1011	Class Piano I	1
MUSI 1021	Class Piano II	1
MUSI 1531	Sight Singing and Aural Skills	1
MUSI 1532	Theory of Music I	2
MUSI 1541	Sight Singing and Aural Skills II	1
MUSI 1542	Theory of Music II	2
MUSI 2551	Sight Singing and Aural Skills III	1
MUSI 2552	Theory of Music III	2
MUSI 2561	Sight Singing and Aural Skills IV	1
MUSI 2562	Theory of Music IV	2
or JAZZ 4002	Jazz Theory I	
MUSI 3582	Survey of World Musics	2
MUSI 3712	Basic Conducting	2
MUSI 3763	History of Music from 1600-1800	3
MUSI 3783	Form And Analysis	3
MUSI 3873	History of Music from 1800-Present	3
4 hours from:		4
MUSI 2610	University Bands I	
MUSI 2620	Symphony Orchestra I	
MUSI 2630	University Choral Ensembles I	
MUSI 3610	University Bands II	
MUSI 3620	Symphony Orchestra II	
MUSI 3630	University Choral Ensembles II	
<i>Music Composition</i>		
MUSI 2010	Piano Class Lessons	2
& MUSI 2480	and Elective Applied Lessons	
or MUSI 2490	Major Applied Lessons	
or JAZZ 2010	Applied Jazz Lessons	
Four hours from:		4
MUSI 2080	Music Composition	
Eight hours from:		8
MUSI 4080	Music Composition	
MUSI 3772	Counterpoint	2
MUSI 4912	Orchestration and Arranging	2

MUSI 4972	Post Tonal Analysis	2
Hours Subtotal		51
Electives		
Select 7 hours		7
All electives plus 3 hours of general education or college requirements, in addition to MUSI 3753, may need to be upper-division and must include 6 hours upper-division general education outside major department (see note 2.c.).		
Hours Subtotal		7
Total Hours		120

All Music Majors must successfully complete an entrance audition, upper-division theory examination, keyboard proficiency examination, and six semesters of MUSI 0500 Student Recital Attendance.

¹ College and Departmental Requirements that may be used to meet General Education Requirements.

College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

1. **Hours in One Department:** For B.A. and B.S. degrees, no more than 54 hours in one department may be required to meet degree requirements. Courses used to satisfy the General Education English Composition, U.S. History, American Government, and Mathematics or Statistics requirements will not count toward the 54-hour maximum required from one department.
2. **A&S College/Departmental Requirements**
 - a. Arts and Humanities are defined as any course carrying an (H) designation or courses from AMST, ART, DANC, ENGL (except ENGL 3323 Technical Writing) HIST, MUSI, PHIL (except PHIL 1313 Logic and Critical Thinking (Q), PHIL 3003 Symbolic Logic (Q) and PHIL 4003 Mathematical Logic and Computability), REL, TH, and foreign languages.
 - b. Natural and Mathematical Sciences are defined as any course from the following prefixes: ASTR, BIOC, BIOL, CHEM, CS (except CS 4883 Social Issues in Computing), GEOL, MATH, MICR, PBIO, PHYS, and STAT; or courses from other departments that carry an (Q) or (N) general education designation.
 - c. Six upper-division hours are required from General Education or any CAS courses outside the student's major department (<https://catalog.okstate.edu/college-arts-sciences-major-departments/>). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
 - d. Non-Western Studies Requirement for B.A. and B.F.A.; One course in Non-Western Studies (N.W.). This requirement may be satisfied by courses also used to satisfy any part of a student's degree program (i.e., in General Education, College Departmental Requirements, Major Requirements or Electives).
 - e. The College of Arts & Sciences requires a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major requirements and a minimum 2.0 GPA in all major-prefix courses applied to the degree.
3. **Foreign Language Proficiency**
 - a. The foreign language requirement for the B.A. may be satisfied by 9 hours college credit in the same language, which must include 3 hours at the 2000-level, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting

a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement. Currently Arabic and Mvskoke are not offered at the 2000-level at OSU.

- b. The foreign language requirement for the B.S., B.M. and B.F.A. may be satisfied by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language (passing grades at second-year level of study). It may also be satisfied by 6 hours college credit in the same language, which must include language courses 1713 and 1813, or equivalent proficiency (e.g., passing an advanced standing examination; TOEFL exam; presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates the high school was primarily conducted in a language other than English; etc.). Computer Science courses may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
- c. In addition to a. and b., students pursuing teacher certification must meet novice-high foreign language proficiency by presenting a high school transcript which demonstrates two years of study of a single foreign language with no grade below B. Or, students may complete 3 hours college credit in a single language with no grade below C (or pass an advanced standing examination, College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam, or Oral Proficiency Interview developed by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, equivalent to 3 hours of college credit.) Or, students may meet the requirement by transfer of documentation of meeting the foreign language competency from one of the teacher education programs in the State of Oklahoma approved by the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.
4. **Exclusions.** Courses with ATHL or LEIS prefixes and leisure activity courses may not be used for degree credit.

Additional State/OSU Requirements

- At least: 60 hours at a four-year institution; 30 hours completed at OSU; 15 of the final 30 or 50% of the upper-division hours in the major field completed at OSU.
- Limit of: one-half of major course requirements as transfer work; one-fourth of hours earned by correspondence; 8 transfer correspondence hours.
- Students will be held responsible for degree requirements in effect at the time of matriculation and any changes that are made, so long as these changes do not result in semester credit hours being added or do not delay graduation.
- Degrees that follow this plan must be completed by the end of Summer 2032.