

Music Composition, Minor

The minor in music composition offers student composers at all levels a concentrated opportunity to build composition skills. The minor includes a foundation in music theory and introduces compositional approaches, composition lessons, and additional coursework to broaden the student composer's understanding and appreciation of the intersection of music and culture.

Please note: This minor has separate requirements for students enrolled in a music major/combined major and students not enrolled in a music major/combined major. Students concentrating in music may double count only one course between a concentration and a minor. Students may double count only one course between two different music minors. Should a student place out of a course in a minor, it must be replaced with another course relevant to the minor.

Minor Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified.

Requirements for Non-Music Majors

Prerequisite Course

Code	Title	Hours
All students can take a music theory placement exam. Students who do not place into MUSC 1201 must first take the following:		
MUSC 1119	Fundamentals of Western Music Theory	4

Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 1001 or MUSC 1002 and MUSC 1003	Music in Everyday Life Music in Everyday Life and Lab for MUSC 1002	4
MUSC 1201	Music Theory 1	4
MUSC 1301 or MUSC 2420	Introduction to Music Composition Music Composition Seminar 1	4

Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Complete two of the following:		
MUSC 1202 or MUSC 1204	Music Theory 2 Analyzing Popular Genres	8
MUSC 2150	Making a Musical: Analysis, Craft, and Creation	
MUSC 2208	Jazz Improvisation	
MUSC 2420	Music Composition Seminar 1	
MUSC 2425	Arranging and Orchestration for Film, Media, and the Concert Stage	
MUSC 3541	Music Analysis Seminar	
MUST 1220	Introduction to Music Technology	
MUST 2102	Composing with Digital Technologies	
MUST 2320	Sound Design	

Requirements for Music Majors

Required Courses

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MUSC 1202 or MUSC 1204	Music Theory 2 Analyzing Popular Genres	4
MUSC 2420 or MUSC 3541	Music Composition Seminar 1 Music Analysis Seminar	4

Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Complete three of the following:		
MUSC 1301	Introduction to Music Composition	12

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MUSC 2150	Making a Musical: Analysis, Craft, and Creation
MUSC 2208	Jazz Improvisation
MUSC 2420	Music Composition Seminar 1
MUSC 2425	Arranging and Orchestration for Film, Media, and the Concert Stage
MUSI 2101	Demo Production for Songwriters
MUST 1220	Introduction to Music Technology
MUST 2102	Composing with Digital Technologies
MUST 2320	Sound Design

GPA Requirement

2.000 GPA required in the minor