

Music (Vocal Education), Bachelor of Music

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This academic degree map is a term-by-term course schedule designed for you to graduate in four years. The sample schedule below serves as a general guideline to building a full-time schedule for each term. Earning a degree requires that you complete (1) the required General Education courses, (2) the course requirements of your major and (3) any requirements PSU has designated for a Bachelor degree. Courses and special notes are specified to keep you on track to graduate in four years. Where open elective is listed, it means that you may take a course of your choosing, perhaps a course in an area outside of your major, but be sure to discuss this with your advisor.

This map is not a substitute for academic advisement – contact your advisor if you have any questions throughout the term and as you begin planning for the next. The University Catalog is also available as a resource with a complete list of requirements for all degrees offered at PSU.

Recommended 4-years to graduation plan

Code	Semester 1 - FRESHMAN YEAR	Credit	NOTES
MUSIC 191	Recital Hour	0	
MUSIC 131	Piano Class	1	
MUSIC 250	Applied Lessons	1	
MUSIC 187	University Choir	1	
MATH 133	Quantitative Reasoning (SGE) ⁰³⁰	3	
ENGL 101	English Composition (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3	C or better
UGS 150	Gorilla Gateway (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	2	
PSYCH 155	General Psychology (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰ Suggested	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		14	

Code	Semester 3 - SOPHOMORE YEAR	Credit	NOTES
MUSIC 113	Aural Skills & Theory II	4	C or better
MUSIC 191	Recital Hour	0	
MUSIC 231	Intermediate Piano Class	1	
MUSIC 250	Applied Lessons	1	
MUSIC 187	University Choir	1	
MUSIC 288	Applied Diction for Singers I	1	
SPED 510	Overview of Inclusive Education	3	
COMM 207	Speech Communication (SGE) ⁰²⁰	3	
100+	Open Elective	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		17	

Code	Semester 5 - JUNIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
MUSIC 213	Aural Skills & Theory IV	3	C or better
MUSIC 391	Recital Hour	0	
MUSIC 450	Applied Lessons	2	
MUSIC 387	University Choir	1	
MUSIC 321	History of Music I (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰ Suggested	3	
MUSIC 337	Choral Conducting	2	
MUSIC 333	Percussion Techniques	1	
MUSIC 342	String Techniques	1	
PSYCH 357	Educational Psychology	3	
MUSIC 340	Organization of the Instrumental Music Program	2	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		18	

Code	Semester 7 - SENIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
MUSIC 327	Contemporary Music	1	
MUSIC 328	World Music	1	
MUSIC 450	Applied Lessons	2	
MUSIC 391	Recital Hour	0	
MUSIC 387	University Choir	1	
MUSIC 492	Senior Recital	0	
MUSIC 330	Woodwind Techniques	1	
MUSIC 431	Teaching Music in Schools PreK-8	3	
MUSIC 432	Secondary Choral Methods	3	
100+	Open Elective	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	

Code	Semester 2 - FRESHMAN YEAR	Credit	NOTES
MUSIC 111	Aural Skills & Theory I	4	C or better
MUSIC 191	Recital Hour	0	
MUSIC 132	Piano Class	1	
MUSIC 250	Applied Lessons	1	
MUSIC 187	University Choir	1	
Bucket 070	Institutionally Designated (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰	1	
Bucket 040	Natural & Physical Sciences	4-5	
EDUC 261	Explorations in Education (SGE) ⁰⁷⁰ Suggested	3	C or better
Bucket 060	Arts & Humanities (SGE) ⁰⁶⁰	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		18-19	

Code	Semester 4 - SOPHOMORE YEAR	Credit	NOTES
MUSIC 211	Aural Skills & Theory III	3	C or better
MUSIC 191	Recital Hour	0	
MUSIC 232	Intermediate Piano Class	1	
MUSIC 250	Applied Lessons	1	
MUSIC 289	Applied Diction for Singers II	1	
MUSIC 187	University Choir	1	
MUSIC 238	Basic Conducting	2	
ENGL 299	Intro to Research Writing (SGE) ⁰¹⁰	3	C or better
Bucket 050	Social & Behavioral Sciences (SGE) ⁰⁵⁰	3	
PSYCH 263	Developmental Psychology	3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		18	

Code	Semester 6 - JUNIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
MUSIC 322	History of Music II	3	
MUSIC 391	Recital Hour	0	
MUSIC 450	Applied Lessons	2	
MUSIC 387	University Choir	1	
MUSIC 331	Brass Techniques	1	
MUSIC 349	Instrumental Conducting for Vocal Education	1	
MUSIC 350	Organization of the Instr. Music Program II	2	
EDUC 520	Methods and Materials for Academic Literacy	3	
MUSIC 326	Pedagogy & Lit	1-3	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		14-16	

Code	Semester 8 - SENIOR YEAR	Credit	NOTES
EDUC 458	Methods & Curriculum	3	
EDUC 464	Measurement & Evaluation	2	
EDUC 475	Supervised Clinical Experience	9	
MUSIC 579	Supervised Student Teaching/ Follow-Up	1	
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS		15	

Systemwide General Education (SGE) Key

010 English
020 Communications
030 Math & Statistics
040 Natural & Physical Sciences
050 Social & Behavioral Sciences
060 Arts & Humanities
070 Institutionally Designated