

MAJOR IN MUSIC (B.M.), COMPOSITION CONCENTRATION

Requirements Effective Fall 2022

A minimum grade of C is required in all music courses used to satisfy the requirements of the BM in Music, Composition Concentration.

Freshman

		AUCC	Credits
CO 150	College Composition (GT-CO2)	1A	3
MU 117	Music Theory I		3
MU 118	Music Theory II		3
MU 127	Aural Skills I		1
MU 128	Aural Skills II		1
MU 131	Introduction to Music History and Literature (GT-AH1)	3B	3
MU 150 ¹	Piano Class I		1
MU 151B ¹	Piano Class II: Performance, Composition, and General Studies		1
Select one group from the following: ²			2
Group A:			
MU 173	Freshman Voice Studio		
MU 272Q	Applied Music Instruction: Voice		
Group B:			
Applied Music Instruction - Lower-Division (see list below) ²			
Ensemble (see list below) ³			2
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#diversity-equity-inclusion)		1C	3
Quantitative Reasoning (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#quantitativereasoning)		1B	3
Electives ⁴			4
Total Credits			30

Sophomore

MU 217	Music Theory III		3
MU 218	Music Theory IV		3
MU 227	Aural Skills III		1
MU 228	Aural Skills IV		1
MU 273	Composition Instruction		2
Applied Music Instruction - Lower-Division (see list below) ²			2
Ensemble (see list below) ³			2
Advanced Writing (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#advanced-writing)		2	3
Social and Behavioral Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#social-behavioral-sciences)		3C	3
Music Electives			6
Electives			5
Total Credits			31

Junior

MU 254	Beginning Conducting		2
MU 318	Arranging and Orchestration		2
MU 325	Jazz Composition/Arranging		2
MU 473	Applied Composition Instruction		6
MU 499	Thesis		1
Select one from the following:			2
MU 355	Choral Conducting and Literature		
MU 356	Instrumental Conducting and Literature		
Upper-Division Music History (see list below)		4A,4B	6
Ensemble (see list below) ³			2
Arts and Humanities (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#arts-humanities)		3B	3
Music Electives			3
Total Credits			29

Senior

MU 417	Counterpoint		3
MU 418	Advanced Orchestration		2
MU 419	Electronic Music Composition		2
MU 471	Recital	4C	1
MU 473	Applied Composition Instruction		6
Ensemble (see list below) ³			2
Biological and Physical Sciences (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#biological-physical-sciences)		3A	7
Historical Perspectives (http://catalog.colostate.edu/general-catalog/all-university-core-curriculum/aucc/#historical-perspectives)		3D	3
Electives ⁴			4
Total Credits			30

Program Total Credits: 120

Applied Music Instruction - Lower-Division

Code	Title	Credits
MU 272A	Applied Music Instruction: Euphonium	1-2
MU 272B	Applied Music Instruction: French Horn	1-2
MU 272C	Applied Music Instruction: Trombone	1-2
MU 272D	Applied Music Instruction: Trumpet	1-2
MU 272E	Applied Music Instruction: Tuba	1-2
MU 272G	Applied Music Instruction: Harpsichord	1-2
MU 272H	Applied Music Instruction: Organ	1-2
MU 272I	Applied Music Instruction: Piano	1-2
MU 272J	Applied Music Instruction: Percussion	1-2
MU 272K	Applied Music Instruction: Guitar	1-2
MU 272L	Applied Music Instruction: Harp	1-2
MU 272M	Applied Music Instruction: String Bass	1-2
MU 272N	Applied Music Instruction: Viola	1-2
MU 272O	Applied Music Instruction: Violin	1-2
MU 272P	Applied Music Instruction: Violoncello	1-2
MU 272Q	Applied Music Instruction: Voice	1-2
MU 272R	Applied Music Instruction: Bassoon	1-2
MU 272S	Applied Music Instruction: Clarinet	1-2
MU 272T	Applied Music Instruction: Flute	1-2

MU 272U	Applied Music Instruction: Oboe	1-2
MU 272V	Applied Music Instruction: Saxophone (Alto)	1-2

Ensemble Courses

Code	Title	Credits
MU 201	Men's Chorus	1
MU 202	University Chorus	1
MU 204	Marching Band	1
MU 205	Concert Band	1
MU 206	Colorado State University Concert Orchestra	1
MU 300	Women's Chorus	1
MU 302	University Orchestra	1
MU 304	Symphonic Band	1
MU 305	Colorado State University Concert Choir	1
MU 309	Jazz Ensemble	1
MU 310	Jazz Combo	1
MU 400	Colorado State University Chamber Choir	1
MU 401	Opera Theater	1-2
MU 402	Theater/Chamber Orchestra	1

MU 404	Symphonic Wind Ensemble	1	MU 407	Accompanying	1
MU 406	New Music Ensemble	1	MU 408	Chamber Music	1

Upper-Division Music History - 4A/4B

Code	Title	AUCC	Credits
MU 332	History of Jazz	4A,4B	3
MU 334	Perspectives in Early Music History	4A,4B	3
MU 335	Music of the Common Practice Era	4A,4B	3
MU 430	20th and 21st Century Music	4A,4B	3
MU 431	American Music	4A,4B	3

¹ Students with previous keyboard experience may test out of MU 150 and/or MU 151B and replace with the same number of elective credit(s).

² First-year voice students take 1 semester each of MU 173 and MU 272Q and two semesters of MU 272Q in year 2. Instrumentalists take MU 272A-MU 272P or MU 272R-MU 272V on a major instrument for 2 semesters each of the first 2 years.

³ Students must participate in an ensemble during each semester in which they are enrolled in MU 172A-MU 172B or MU 272A-MU 272V. An additional four credits of ensembles are to be completed in semesters of the student's choosing for a total of eight credits. At least one semester during the program of study, this must be achieved by taking MU 408 or another small ensemble.

⁴ Select enough elective credits to bring the program total to a minimum of 120 credits, of which at least 42 must be upper-division (300- to 400-level).