

# MUSIC, BA

Students entering this program should have a strong background in music. This should include performance experience with a specific instrument or voice type.

## Admission into the Major

All students must pass an audition in order to declare a general music major (BA). To schedule an audition, students must fill out a separate application to the School of Music, which is available online at <https://music.ua.edu/apply-audition/undergraduates/undergraduate-audition-request/>.

Auditions typically take place between January and March prior to fall enrollment. Upon successful audition, students are expected to declare a major formally no later than the fourth semester of full-time enrollment (or at 61 semester hours for transfer students). Students can declare a major by completing the Change of Major/Minor Application online under the Student tab of myBama.

Students earning the bachelor of arts (BA) degree must complete all University, College and departmental degree requirements. These include the general education requirements, the following major requirements and other sufficient credits to total a minimum of 120 applicable semester hours.

Code and Title	Hours
<b>Major Courses</b>	
MUS 115 Theory I: Voice Leading	4
MUS 117 Theory II: Diatonic Harmony	4
MUS 215 Theory III: Chromatic Harmony	4
MUS 217 Theory IV: Advanced Harmony	4
MUS 250 Music In World Cultures	3
MUS 251 Music History I	3
MUS 252 Music History II	3
MUS 323 Music History III	3
Select one of the following:	3
MUS 303 16th-Century Counterpoint	
MUS 304 18th-Century Counterpoint I	
MUS 307 Form And Analysis	
MUS 403 18th-Century Counterpoint II	
MUS 416 Special Topics in Music Theory	
MUS 418 Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 426 Analysis of 20th-Century Music	
MUS 497 Capstone Senior Project	1
MUS electives 300 or 400 level	9
MUA applied 100 level (two semesters)	2
MUA applied 200 level (two semesters)	2
MUA ensembles (four semesters)	4
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>49</b>

## Grade Point Average

A 2.0 grade point average in the major is required for completion of the degree. Please see the Grades and Grade Points section of this catalog for an explanation on grade point average calculations.

## Upper-level Residency

A minimum of 12 hours of 300- and 400-level courses in the major must be earned on this campus.

## Ancillary Courses

The music major does not require ancillary courses.

## Required Minor

This major requires the completion of a minor.

## Additional Major Requirements

MUS 121 Intro To Listening does not satisfy the fine arts (FA) general education requirement for music majors. At the beginning of the senior year, the student, in consultation with the music adviser, selects a faculty adviser for the senior project, which is usually a substantial paper on a historical or theoretical topic. The topic and format of the project must be approved by the project adviser. The project must be turned in one month before the last day of classes in the final semester. It will be examined by a faculty committee selected by the project adviser. Students are responsible for ensuring that they have met all University, College, major and minor requirements. However, each student must meet with an adviser in the major department for academic planning and to be approved for registration each semester. College advisers are also available for additional assistance with minor, College and University requirements.

## MUA Applied Courses

Students must earn a minimum of four hours and four semesters in a single instrument or voice chosen from the following courses:

Code and Title	Hours
MUA 170 Harp (Majors)	4
& MUA 270 and Harp (Majors)	
MUA 171 Piano (Majors)	4
& MUA 271 and Piano (Majors)	
MUA 172 Organ (Majors)	4
& MUA 272 and Organ (Majors)	
MUA 174 Voice (Majors)	4
& MUA 274 and Voice (Majors)	
MUA 175 Violin (Majors)	4
& MUA 275 and Violin (Majors)	
MUA 176 Viola (Majors)	4
& MUA 276 and Viola (Majors)	
MUA 177 Cello (Majors)	4
& MUA 277 and Cello (Majors)	
MUA 178 Double Bass (Majors)	4
& MUA 278 and Double Bass (Majors)	
MUA 179 Flute (Majors)	4
& MUA 279 and Flute (Majors)	
MUA 180 Oboe (Majors)	4
& MUA 280 and Oboe (Majors)	
MUA 181 Bassoon (Majors)	4
& MUA 281 and Bassoon (Majors)	
MUA 182 Clarinet (Majors)	4
& MUA 282 and Clarinet (Majors)	

MUA 183 & MUA 283	Saxophone (Majors) and Saxophone (Majors)	4	MUA 161	Opera Production	1
MUA 184 & MUA 284	Trumpet (Majors) and Trumpet (Majors)	4	MUA 261	Opera Production	1
MUA 185 & MUA 285	French Horn (Majors) and French Horn (Majors)	4	MUA 361	Opera Production	1
MUA 186 & MUA 286	Trombone (Majors) and Trombone (Majors)	4	MUA 461	Opera Production	1
MUA 187 & MUA 287	Euphonium (Majors) and Euphonium (Majors)	4	MUA 162	University Chorus	1
MUA 188 & MUA 288	Tuba (Majors) and Tuba (Majors)	4	MUA 262	University Chorus	1
MUA 189 & MUA 289	Percussion (Majors) and Percussion (Majors)	4	MUA 362	University Chorus	1
MUA 190 & MUA 290	Guitar (Majors) and Guitar (Majors)	4	MUA 462	University Chorus	1
			MUA 163	University Singers	1
			MUA 263	University Singers	1
			MUA 363	University Singers	1
			MUA 463	University Singers	1
			MUA 167	Jazz Combo	1
			MUA 267	Jazz Combo	1
			MUA 367	Jazz Combo	1
			MUA 467	Jazz Combo	1

## MUA Ensemble Courses

Four semesters of ensemble should be chosen from the following courses:

Code and Title	Hours
MUA 150 Huxford Symphony Orchestra	1
MUA 250 Huxford Symphony Orchestra	1
MUA 350 Huxford Symphony Orchestra	1
MUA 450 Huxford Symphony Orchestra	1
MUA 152 Wind Ensemble	1
MUA 252 Wind Ensemble	1
MUA 352 Wind Ensemble	1
MUA 452 Wind Ensemble	1
MUA 153 Marching Band	1
MUA 253 Marching Band	1
MUA 353 Marching Band	1
MUA 453 Marching Band	1
MUA 154 Symphonic Band	1
MUA 254 Symphonic Band	1
MUA 354 Symphonic Band	1
MUA 454 Symphonic Band	1
MUA 156 Percussion Ensemble	1
MUA 256 Percussion Ensemble	1
MUA 356 Percussion Ensemble	1
MUA 456 Percussion Ensemble	1
MUA 158 Contemporary Ensemble	1
MUA 258 Contemporary Ensemble	1
MUA 358 Contemporary Ensemble	1
MUA 458 Contemporary Ensemble	1
MUA 159 Jazz Ensembles	1
MUA 259 Jazz Ensemble	1
MUA 359 Jazz Ensembles	1
MUA 459 Jazz Ensemble	1
MUA 160 Opera Workshop	1
MUA 260 Opera Workshop	1
MUA 360 Opera Workshop	1
MUA 460 Opera Workshop	1

## Types of Jobs Accepted

Completion of this degree program prepares the student for many avenues within the professional world associated with music.

Learn more about opportunities in this field at the Career Center