



For students who are Music majors:

The Music Department has a set of core classes that all Music majors must take, regardless of the specific area of Music they decide to focus on. There are other courses that are required for those specific degrees (i.e. composition, music education, etc.) Several of these courses are prerequisites to sophomore level classes, so need to be taken before the second year.

The following schedule represents what a first semester **“TYPICAL”** Music major might take.

University Core:

ENG	101	English Composition	3 hours
BIB	110	Old Testament (OR BIB 120: New Testament)*	3 hours

Music Core:

MUS	055	Performance Lab	0 hours
MUS	101	Music Theory I	2 hours
MUS	105	Aural Skills I	2 hours
MUS	126	Piano Fundamentals I **	1 hour

Music Ensemble:

(Discuss this with your advisor.)	1 hour
Instrumental: MUS 195 Symphonic Winds & Pep Band	
Vocal: MUS 158 Women’s Chamber OR MUS 159 Men’s Glee OR MUS 197 Singers	
Keyboard: choose any of the above	

Music Degree Specific: 0-2 hours

(Discuss this with your advisor.)
Composition: MUS 107 First Year Composition
Music Education: MUS 050 Seminar in Music Education
Vocal Emphasis: MUS 161 Vocal Diction

Music Applied Lesson: 2 hours

Students must request a course CRN from the Music Department secretary for the appropriate Applied Lesson for their instrument or voice.

Total: 14-16 hours

NOTE: This typical schedule requires at least 14-16 hours of each freshman Music Major. Students may wish to add to this schedule with additional Ensembles, Applied Lessons, or University Core courses. These decisions should be made with the guidance of the Advisor.

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* Or another University Core class.

** Pianists/Organists take Applied Piano or Organ (2 semester hours) instead of MUS 126. (Other students with extensive keyboard background should request a Piano Proficiency placement interview.)

You may have AP credit, dual enrollment, or transfer hours that would change this “typical” schedule. You may be on a varsity sports team or in the choir and may need to adjust this schedule. The truth is that no one is typical, but this schedule is a good place to start. When you meet with your advisor to register, be sure to tell him/her about your specific set of circumstances so you end up with YOUR schedule and not just a typical schedule.

Chapel: Freshmen are required to take a total of 4 semesters of chapel. Freshmen are automatically enrolled in Freshman Chapel/Blue & Gold 101 for their first Fall semester.

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