



Four-Year Degree Plan: Bachelor of Music in Woodwind, Brass, Strings, or Percussion

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This is a degree plan for completing a Bachelor of Music in Woodwind, Brass, Strings, or Percussion in eight semesters. This document is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes only and is intended for use in consultation with a Professional Academic or Faculty advisor. **Students are responsible for consulting advisors and the [MSU Denver catalog](#) for degree requirements.**

Year One					
Semester 1			Semester 2		
Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance (*Note 1)	0	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
MUS 1110	Music Theory I	3	MUS 1130	Music Theory II	3
MUS 1120	Music Theory Lab I	1	MUS 1140	Music Theory Lab II	1
MUS 161B	Class Piano I	1	MUS 162B	Class Piano II	1
MUS 1650	Basic Music Technology	1	MUS 172X	Private Instruction II	2
MUS 171X	Private Instruction I	2	MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1
MUS 38XX	Ensemble (**Note 2)	1	GEN STU	Quantitative Literacy Requirement	3
COM 1010	Presentational Speaking	3	ENG 1020	Research and Argument Writing	3
ENG 1010	Composing Arguments	3	GEN ELEC	General Elective	1
Semester 1 Total		15	Semester 2 Total		15

Year Two					
Semester 3			Semester 4		
Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
MUS 2110	Music Theory III	3	MUS 2130	Music Theory IV	3
MUS 2120	Music Theory Lab III	1	MUS 2140	Music Theory Lab IV	1
MUS 273X	Performance III	3	MUS 274X	Performance IV	3
MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1	MUS 3050	Musics of the World	3
MUS 38XX	Wrld Mus Ensemble (***)Note 3)	1	MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1
GEN ELEC	General Elective	3	GEN STU	General Studies Requirement	3
GEN STU	General Studies Requirement	3	GEN ELEC	General Elective	1
Semester 3 Total		15	Semester 4 Total		15

Year Three					
Semester 5			Semester 6		
Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
MUS 3150	Arranging & Orchestration	2	MUS 3220	Music History II	3
MUS 3210	Music History I	3	MUS 374X	Performance VI	3
MUS 3150	Basic Conducting	2	MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1
MUS 373X	Performance V	3	MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1
MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1	GEN STU	General Studies Requirement	6
MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1	CONC	Concentration Req (****Note 4)	1
GEN STU	General Studies Requirement	3			
Semester 5 Total		15	Semester 6 Total		15

Year Four					
Semester 7			Semester 8		
Fall		Credits	Spring		Credits
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1	MUS 3260	Prof Dev for 21st Cent. Musicians	3
MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1	MUS 3640	Improvisation	1
MUS 473X	Performance VII	3	MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1
MUS 4800	Repertoire Seminar	2	MUS 38XX	Ensemble	1
MUS ELEC	Upper Div Elective in Music	3	MUS 474X	Performance VIII (Sr Recital Perf)	3
GEN ELEC	General Elective	1	GEN STU	General Studies Requirement	3
GEN STU	General Studies Requirement	3	GEN ELEC	General Elective	3
CONC	Concentration Req (****Note 4)	1			
Semester 7 Total		15	Semester 8 Total		15

Program Total: 120

Students must complete all courses with a grade of C- or better. See the MSU Denver Catalog for Ensemble Requirements.

*Note 1: Students must enroll in Recital Attendance during each semester of required private instruction.

**Note 2: Music majors must enroll in their concentration's required ensemble during each semester of private instruction.

***Note 3: Fulfilled by MUS 3818 Mariachi Ensemble, MUS 3834 Gamelan Ensemble, or MUS 3835 African Drumming and Dance Ensemble.

****Note 4: For the concentration requirement, students are required to take either MUS 3410 String Techniques and Ped., MUS 3430 Woodwind Techniques and Ped., MUS 3450 Brass Techniques and Ped., OR MUS 3460 Percussion Techniques and Ped. in addition to a General Elective course. MUS 3410 and MUS 3430 are offered in fall semesters, while MUS 3450 and MUS 3460 re offered in Spring semesters.

Advisor Contact Information: Visit [Department of Music Advising](#) or [CLAS Academic Advising](#)

Detailed Course Listing

General Studies		
--	Second semester foreign language	3
--	General Studies Requirements	30
General Studies Total		33

Core Requirements		
--	Recital Attendance (2 Semesters)	0
--	Music Theory I, II, III, IV	12
--	Music Theory Lab I, II, III, IV	4
--	Class Piano I, II	2
--	Private Instruction I, II	4
--	Musics of the World	3
--	Music History I, II	6
--	Ensemble (World)	1
Core Requirements Total		32

Specific Degree Requirements		
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance (6 addl semesters)	0
MUS 1650	Basic Music Technology	1
MUS 273X	Performance III	3
MUS 273X	Performance IV	3
MUS 3150	Arranging & Orchestration	2

MUS 3260	Prof Dev for 21st Cent. Musicians	3
MUS 3510	Basic Conducting	2
MUS 3640	Improvisation	1
MUS 373X	Performance V	3
MUS 374X	Performance VI	3
MUS 473X	Performance VII	3
MUS 474X	Performance VIII (Sr Recital Per)	3
MUS 4800	Repertoire Seminar	2
MUS ELEC	Upper Div Elect: Theory, Hist, Lit or Ped	3
Specific Degree Requirements Total		32

Concentration Requirements		
	Select from one of the following:	
MUS 3410	String Techniques & Pedagogy	1
MUS 3430	Woodwind Techniques & Pedagogy	1
MUS 3450	Brass Techniques & Pedagogy	1
MUS 3460	Percussion Techniques & Pedagogy	1
Concentration Requirements Total		1

Program Totals	
General Studies Requirements	33
Core Requirements	32
Specific Degree Requirements	32
Ensembles	12
General Electives	10
Concentration Requirements	1
Total to Graduate	120