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Music, B.A., Traditional Music Concentration



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Degree Awarded: Bachelor of Arts

Total Credit Hours: 120

Career Opportunities: Performance, composing/arranging, music production, recording, television, radio, private teaching, jazz performance

Note(s): Students must complete 45 hours of 300 and/or 400 level courses.

General Education Core Curriculum

Core Curriculum

Freshman Year

Required Courses

- UNIV 100 – First Year Seminar **3 Credit(s)**
- AMUS – Ensemble **1 Credit(s)** *
- AMUS 115 – Individual Instruction **1–4 Credit(s)** *
- AMUS 333 – Recital Seminar **1–8 0 Credit(s)** *
- CMCN 250 – Audio Production **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 101 – Introduction to Academic Writing **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 102 – Writing and Research About Culture **3 Credit(s)**
- MATH 105 – Applied College Algebra **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 110 – Music Theory for Oral Traditions **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 238 – The Music Industry **2 Credit(s)**

Note:

* Students are required to take two semesters of AMUS 115, AMUS 333, and Ensemble. Ensemble is to be chosen in consultation with advisor; audition required.

Electives

Mathematics (3 Credits)

Choose MATH 206 or above.

Total: 29 Credits

Sophomore Year

Required Courses

- AMUS 115 – Individual Instruction **1–4 Credit(s)** *
- AMUS 160 – Traditional Music Ensemble **1 Credit(s)** *

- AMUS 333 – Recital Seminar 1–8 **0 Credit(s)** *
- ANTH 201 – Cultural Anthropology **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 102 – Keyboard Fundamentals for Music Majors I **2 Credit(s)**
- MUS 103 – Keyboard Fundamentals for Music Majors II **2 Credit(s)**
- MUS 112 – Musicianship I **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 113 – Musicianship II **3 Credit(s)**

Note:

* Students are required to take two semesters of AMUS 115, AMUS 160, and AMUS 333.

Electives

Minor (6 Credits)

Choose an 18–credit minor from one of the following: Cajun Creole Studies, Heritage Studies, African American Studies, Latin American Studies. Students may also design their own interdisciplinary 18–credit program with preapproval from their advisor.

Natural Sciences (3 Credits)

Choose from the [General Education Core](#) list of Natural Science courses.

History (3 Credits)

Choose from:

- HIST 102 – World Civilizations II **3 Credit(s)**
- HIST 366 – Gender in History **3 Credit(s)**
- HIST 378 – The American South **3 Credit(s)**
- HIST 395 – Introduction to Public History **3 Credit(s)**

Total: 31 Credits

Junior Year

Required Courses

- MUS – Secondary Instrument **4 Credit(s)**. *
- MUS – Music History **3 Credit(s)**. **
- MUS 319 – Songwriting **3 Credit(s)**

Notes:

* Students are required to take two semesters of Secondary Instrument. Secondary Instrument is a combination of AMUS 115, MUS 325, MUS 327, and MUS 329.

** Choose from MUS 366, MUS 370, and MUS 470.

Electives

Traditional Music (3 Credits)

Choose from:

- MUS 104 – Music Appreciation: History of American Popular Music **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 360 – Cajun and Zydeco Music **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 362 – Creole and Black Music in Louisiana **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 364 – Music Appreciation: Music of the World **3 Credit(s)**

Minor (3 Credits)

Choose an 18–credit minor from one of the following: Cajun Creole Studies, Heritage Studies, African American Studies, Latin American Studies. Students may also design their own

interdisciplinary 18-credit program with preapproval from their advisor.

Natural Sciences (3 Credits)

Choose from the General Education Core list of Natural Science courses.

Social/Behavioral Sciences (3 Credits)

Choose from:

- ANTH 385 – North American Prehistory **3 Credit(s)**
- GEOG 350 – Louisiana **3 Credit(s)**
- POLS 313 – Louisiana Politics **3 Credit(s)**
- POLS 417G – Southern Politics **3 Credit(s)**

English Literature (3 Credits)

Choose from:

- ENGL 201 – British Literature from the Medieval Period to 1800 **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 202 – British Literature from 1800 to the Present **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 205 – American Literature to 1865 **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 206 – American Literature since 1865 **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 210 – Literary Genres **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 211 – Thematic Approaches to Literature **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 212 – Literature and Other Media **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 312 – Shakespeare **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 319 – Modern Poetry **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 320 – Modern Fiction **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 321 – Survey of World Literature I **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 322 – Survey of World Literature II **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 333 – Louisiana Literature **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 381 – The Scripture As Literature **3 Credit(s)**

English Literature (3 Credits)

Choose from:

- ENGL 332 – Introduction to Folklore **3 Credit(s)**
- ENGL 335 – Louisiana Folklore **3 Credit(s)**

Elective (3 Credits)

Choose any course other than MUS or AMUS. Advisor approval needed.

Music/Applied Music (2 Credits)

Total: 33 Credits

Senior Year

Required Courses

- CMCN 202 – Argumentation and Structured Decision-Making **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS – Senior Project **3 Credit(s)**.
- MUS 376 – Audio Recording Techniques I **3 Credit(s)**
- MUS 450G – Traditional Musics of North America **3 Credit(s)**

Electives

Minor (9 Credits)

Choose an 18-credit minor from one of the following: Cajun Creole Studies, Heritage Studies, African American Studies, Latin American Studies. Students may also design their own

interdisciplinary 18-credit program with preapproval from their advisor.

Natural Sciences (3 Credits)

Choose from the [General Education Core](#) list of Natural Science courses.

Fine Arts (3 Credits)

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Choose from the [General Education Core](#) list of Fine Arts courses in consultation with academic advisor.

Total: 27 Credits

4 Semesters of Ensemble Required

Primary Instrument	Courses for Ensemble Credit	Constraints and Exceptions
Winds and Brass	AMUS 152, AMUS 153, AMUS 154 AMUS 155 AMUS 160 AMUS 170 AMUS 180 AMUS 190	2 Semester Minimum: AMUS 160
Percussion	Same as Winds and Brass, with the additional option of AMUS 117	2 Semester Minimum: AMUS 160
All other instruments, including guitar, voice, and piano	Any Ensemble course	2 Semester Minimum on major instrument: AMUS 160

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