

MUSIC, B.A.

The Music program cultivates a vibrant artistic community through holistic educational experiences and engaging performances. Our courses in history, theory, and applied study guide students' musical and intellectual development, while performance ensembles focus on high-quality experiential learning and civic engagement rooted in the College's Benedictine values. A music degree combines a liberal arts education with core musicianship, often through a double major or additional minors, to emphasize the importance of making music relevant to society. Students develop adaptable and transferable skills that can lead to both educational settings and other creative, entrepreneurial opportunities.

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Learning Outcomes

The music department will guide students' musical and intellectual development, focusing on high-quality experiential learning and civic engagement rooted in the college's Benedictine values. Upon completion of the Music Degree at The College of St. Scholastica, the graduate will be able to:

1. Analyze music using foundational skills that generate understanding and synthesis of musical ideas.
2. Apply contextual and intercultural awareness to music throughout the ages.
3. Communicate, personally and collectively, effectively through performance.
4. Demonstrate creativity through performance, improvisation, arranging, and/or composition.
5. Demonstrate theoretical and practical pedagogical knowledge of teaching and learning.

Requirements

Students must achieve the following program requirements for all courses listed under Program Requirements and Program Required Courses for the Music major.

Program Requirements

Major Credits: 51

Major Residency Credits: 16

Minimum GPA: 2.8

Minimum Grade: C

Program Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
MUS 1000	Contemporary Musicianship	4
MUS 1101	Music Theory I	4
MUS 2297	Milestone	1
MUS 2510	Entrepreneurship and Professional Practice	2
MUS 3002	Music Theory II	4
MUS 3003	Music Theory III	4
MUS 3113	History of Western Music I (Medieval to Baroque approximately)	4

MUS 3114	History of Western Music II (Classical to 20th Century)	4
MUS 3309	World Music	4
MUS 4297	Capstone	2
Select four credits of MUS Electives		4
Select eight credits of Vocal or Instrumental Lessons		8
MUS 1713	Private Music Lessons	
MUS 1715	Private Music Lessons	
MUS 3713	Private Music Lessons	
MUS 3715	Private Music Lessons	
Select six credits from Ensemble Studies		6
MUS 1210	Cantus Corde	
MUS 1211	Vox Anima	
MUS 1214	Steel Band	
MUS 3210	Bella Voce	
MUS 3211	Concert Choir	
MUS 3212	Concert Band	
MUS 3213	Jazz Ensemble	
MUS 3214	String Orchestra	
Total Credits		51

Degree Requirements

To graduate from The College of St. Scholastica, baccalaureate students must meet the following minimum degree requirements.

Total Credits: 128

Upper Division Credits: 42

Residency Requirement: 32

Minimum GPA: 2.0