

# MUSIC, BACHELOR OF ARTS (B.A.)

The Bachelor of Arts in Music is designed for students who want a degree that combines a breadth of general studies with a major in music. Included are courses in basic theory, aural skills, applied performance, music history and foreign language, as well as music and open electives.

## Student learning outcomes

Upon completing this program, students will know and know how to do the following.

Students will:

- Demonstrate performance skills
- Demonstrate musicianship
- Acquire supporting competencies
- Develop artistic/intellectual mission

## Degree requirements for Music, Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

Course	Title	Hours
<b>General education (<a href="http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/undergraduate-study/general-education-curriculum/">http://bulletin.vcu.edu/undergraduate/undergraduate-study/general-education-curriculum/</a>)</b>		
Select 30 credits of general education courses in consultation with an adviser.		30
<b>Major requirements</b>		
• Major core requirements		
APPL 311	Applied Lessons (principal performing medium)	2
APPL 312	Applied Lessons (principal performing medium)	2
APPL 313	Applied Lessons (principal performing medium)	2
APPL 314	Applied Lessons (principal performing medium)	2
APPM 199	Recital/Convocation Attendance (four semesters)	0
APPM 299	Master Class (four semesters)	0
APPM 492	Senior Project: Portfolio Review	1
MHIS 120	Music in Culture	2
MHIS 145	Theory and Aural Skills I	4
MHIS 146	Theory and Aural Skills II	4
MHIS 245	Theory and Aural Skills III	4
MHIS 321	Classical Music Survey I	2
MHIS 322	Classical Music Survey II	2
• Additional major requirements		
Keyboard skills <sup>1</sup>		0-2
APPM 173	Keyboard Skills I	
APPM 174	Keyboard Skills II	
Ensemble (audition may be required): Select four credits from the following.		4
APPM 355	Orchestra	
APPM 356	Symphonic Wind Ensemble	

APPM 357	University Band	
APPM 358	Commonwealth Singers	
APPM 359	Choral Arts Society	
APPM 360	Large Jazz Ensemble	
APPM 361	Small Jazz Ensemble	
APPM 363	Flute Choir	
APPM 364	Guitar Ensemble	
APPM 367	Piano Ensemble	
APPM 368	Woodwind Ensemble	
APPM 369	Percussion Ensemble	
APPM 370	Percussion Auxiliary	
APPM 371	String Chamber Music	
APPM 372	Brass Ensemble	
APPM 377	Vocal Chamber Ensemble	
APPM 378	Vox Concordia	
• Major electives		12
Select from any AMPT, APPL, APPM, ARTS, MHIS, MUED, or MUSC courses not otherwise required for the degree.		
<b>Ancillary requirements</b>		
HUMS 202	Choices in a Consumer Society	1
Foreign language through the 102 level (by course or placement)		0-6
<b>Open electives</b>		
Select any course.		38-46
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>120</b>

The minimum number of credit hours required for this degree is 120.

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APPM 173 and 174 are required if piano is not the principal instrument, and these students will be required to take two additional music electives.

What follows is a sample plan that meets the prescribed requirements within a four-year course of study at VCU. Please contact your adviser before beginning course work toward a degree.

Freshman year		Hours
<b>Fall semester</b>		
APPL 311	Applied Lessons (principal instrument)	2
APPM 173	Keyboard Skills I	1
or	or Advanced Keyboard Skills I	
APPM 373		
APPM 199	Recital/Convocation Attendance	0
APPM 299	Master Class (principal instrument)	0
APPM 3XX ensembles		1
MHIS 145	Theory and Aural Skills I	4
UNIV 111	Focused Inquiry I (satisfies general education UNIV foundations)	3
Play course video for Focused Inquiry I		
General education course		3
<b>Term Hours:</b>		<b>14</b>
<b>Spring semester</b>		

APPL 312	Applied Lessons (principal instrument)	2
APPM 174	Keyboard Skills II	1
	or or Advanced Keyboard Skills II	
	APPM 374	
APPM 199	Recital/Convocation Attendance	0
APPM 299	Master Class (principal instrument)	0
APPM 3XX ensembles		1
MHIS 146	Theory and Aural Skills II	4
UNIV 112	Focused Inquiry II (satisfies general education UNIV foundations)	3
	Play course video for Focused Inquiry II	
	General education course	3
<b>Term Hours:</b>		<b>14</b>

**Sophomore year****Fall semester**

APPL 313	Applied Lessons (principal instrument)	2
APPM 199	Recital/Convocation Attendance	0
APPM 299	Master Class (principal instrument)	0
APPM 3XX ensembles		1
MHIS 120	Music in Culture	2
MHIS 245	Theory and Aural Skills III	4
UNIV 200	Advanced Focused Inquiry: Literacies, Research and Communication (satisfies general education UNIV foundations)	3
	General education course	3
<b>Term Hours:</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring semester**

APPL 314	Applied Lessons (principal instrument)	2
APPM 199	Recital/Convocation Attendance	0
APPM 299	Master Class (principal instrument)	0
APPM 3XX ensembles		1
	General education course	3
	Music elective	2
	Open electives	8
<b>Term Hours:</b>		<b>16</b>

**Junior year****Fall semester**

APPM 3XX ensembles		1
MHIS 321	Classical Music Survey I	2
	Foreign language course (101 level)	3
	General education course	3
	General education course	3
	Music elective	3
<b>Term Hours:</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring semester**

APPM 3XX ensembles		1
MHIS 322	Classical Music Survey II	2
	Foreign language course (102 level)	3
	General education course	3
	Music elective	3

Open elective	4
<b>Term Hours:</b>	<b>16</b>

**Senior year****Fall semester**

APPM 492	Senior Project: Portfolio Review	1
HUMS 202	Choices in a Consumer Society	1
	Music elective	3
	Open electives	10
<b>Term Hours:</b>		<b>15</b>

**Spring semester**

	Open electives	15
<b>Term Hours:</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Hours:</b>		<b>120</b>

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