

# BACHELOR OF MUSICAL ARTS, BMA

The program leading to the Bachelor of Musical Arts (BMA) degree is designed for students planning to pursue a diverse array of professional careers in music. The BMA is a flexible and personalized degree that requires a complementary minor outside of music. With the help of the academic advisor, the student also selects a track of music electives that form an emphasis beyond the core music requirements.

## Degree Requirements

In addition to the requirements stated below, students must complete 34-35 hours of General Education (<https://catalog.washburn.edu/undergraduate/programs-degrees-graduation-requirements/general-education-requirements/>), all requirements for a Bachelor of Musical Arts (<https://catalog.washburn.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/degrees/bachelor-music-arts/>) degree, and any additional hours needed to reach the minimum 120 credit hours required for graduation. Some of the courses below may also fulfill general education or other degree requirements. Please see your advisor for more information.

In addition, all Bachelor of Musical Arts (BMA) majors must complete a complementary minor, certificate, or additional major; students must declare this with the department that grants it.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Required Courses Inside Department</b>		
<i>Theory</i>		
MU 120	Fundamentals of Music Theory <sup>1</sup>	2
MU 122	Rhythm Perception-Music Majors (proficiency requirement for 4th semester jury performance exam) <sup>1</sup>	1
MU 123	Integrating Technology in Music	1
MU 215	Music Theory I	3
MU 314	Music Theory II	3
MU 315	Music Theory III	3
MU 316	Music Theory IV	3
MU 217	Aural Skills I	1
MU 311	Aural Skills II	1
MU 312	Aural Skills III	1
<i>Music History and Literature</i>		
MU 325	Music History I	3
MU 326	Music History II	3
MU 327	Music History III	2
<i>Music Lessons</i>		
Applied Lessons in concentration area (MU 070 required enrollment each semester)		12
Piano - Students must take at least 2 hours of Group Piano or piano lessons and pass the Piano Proficiency Exam prior to the 4th Semester Jury. Students must enroll in Group Piano until the Piano Proficiency Exam is passed. For most, the following are required:		2
MU 133	Group Piano I	
MU 134	Group Piano II	
<i>Ensembles</i>		

Large Ensembles		7
Students must enroll in 2 large ensembles each semester - one must be the major ensemble for the primary performance concentration.		
Wind/Brass/Percussion - Marching Band is required for at least two semesters.		
Small Ensembles		
MU 254	Small Ensembles-Lower Division	1
or MU 454	Small Ensembles-Upper Division	
<i>Emphasis Within Music</i>		
Individual course of study should support the students interest area and must be approved by the student's BMA advisor.		18
<b>Other Required Courses</b>		
HI 105/MU 106	Introduction to World Music and its History	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>70</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students must enroll in course for credit if they do not pass the entrance exam.