

Requirements: Music

Fine Arts Division

The Department of Music offers several types of study. Each course, whether it results in a student's own performance or in heightened perception of others' performances, is designed to increase the student's sense of the richness and importance of music in the human experience.

The Curriculum

MUSC 101, 102, 105 and 107 are considered especially appropriate introductory courses for first-year students or upperclass students new to the department. As the foundation on which the other coursework in the department is built, these courses are recommended for students considering majors or minors in the department. To facilitate proper placement of entering students, the department administers a music theory exam through which students may be exempted from MUSC 101.

Those who do not take the exam or who wish to develop basic skills should take MUSC 101, which covers the rudiments of music theory and the aural skills needed by practicing musicians. MUSC 102, 105 and 107 are designed to provide both an overview of the subject and the requisite skills needed for active, informed listening. Students with Advanced Placement credit should consult the department chair.

The experience of creating or recreating music through musical performance is central to understanding the discipline of music. To this end, the applied music program is structured to allow any student at any level of experience to engage in this type of study. End-of-semester juries and timely advancement to established higher skill levels are two of the methods by which the department seeks to evaluate the progress of individual students. Lessons are offered as follows:

- Levels I, II and III: 25 minutes (0.13 unit) or 50 minutes (0.25 unit)
- Level IV: 50 minutes (0.25 unit) or 100 minutes (0.5 unit — must petition the department for consideration).

Students may earn a total of 0.63 units at Level I, at which point they are required to advance to Level II in order to continue to receive academic credit. Students may generally earn a total of 0.63 units at Level II, at which point they are required to advance to Level III in order to continue for credit. However, an additional quarter (0.25) unit may be earned at Level I or II, upon the recommendation of the applied instructor and consent of the tenured or tenure-track faculty members attending the relevant jury. There is no limit on the aggregate credit available for Levels III and IV.

Whether taken for credit or audit, the lessons involve an additional fee. When such instruction is required for the major or minor, the fee is waived. The department's music lesson coordinator can provide all pertinent information about the programs of studio instruction.

As a corollary to the music lesson program, the department offers ensemble work. The instrumental ensembles call for some degree of proficiency and are usually formed by audition.

- The Chamber Singers — open only by competitive audition
- The Kenyon Community Choir — open to all with a voice-placement audition
- the Symphonic Wind Ensemble
- the Kenyon Jazz Ensemble
- the Opera and Music Theater Workshop
- the Knox County Symphony
- Asian Music Ensemble
- the Early Music Ensemble
- string, guitar, flute, woodwind, percussion, harp, brass, horn and saxophone ensembles
- other groups as determined by student interest

As with lessons, it is best to plan to begin such an activity as early in one's academic career as possible.

Requirements for the Major

The minimum requirement of five and three quarter (5.75) units is distributed as follows:

- Theory: MUSC 121Y–122Y and MUSC 222
- History: MUSC 102, 105 or 107 and two of MUSC 202–205
- Ethnomusicology: MUSC 206D
- Electives: MUSC 124, 214D, 302–331, 391, or additional from MUSC 202–205 and 221
- Applied Study/Performance: (3 semesters of 50-minute lessons) compiled from applied lessons at Level II or above
- Senior Capstone

Additional Requirements

For students whose major instrument is not piano, two semesters of 25-minute piano lessons. (Note: A GPA of 3.33 or higher must be earned each semester for these lessons to meet this requirement.)

Senior Capstone

The Senior Capstone in music consists of two major components: the comprehensive examination and the independent research/performance project. The Senior Capstone must be completed, in all respects, by May 1 of the senior year.

1. Comprehensive Examination

The comprehensive examination evaluates student knowledge acquired in both required and elective courses. It is intended to address the major areas of study within the music major. The music department faculty will determine and announce the format and schedule of the comprehensive examination during the fall semester of the senior year.

2. Independent Research/Performance Project

Majors can choose from the following types of independent research/performance projects:

- a music theory, music history or ethnography research project of substantial length, culminating in a public presentation;
- a composition of at least 10 minutes in length, culminating in a public presentation;
- a recital of 50 to 60 minutes in total duration on the major instrument; or
- a lecture-recital of 50 to 60 minutes in total length, combining performance on the major instrument with a research presentation related to the instrument and/or the repertoire being performed.

A substantial written component is required in all independent research/performance projects. For research projects, the results must be presented in a paper of considerable length (approximately 40 pages). For composition projects, students are required to write a 20-page paper describing the compositional process employed and citing influences of other composers. Students performing a recital are required to complete a 10-page paper presenting research on the composers, the contexts of the pieces, any relevant issues pertaining to historical performance and/or other appropriate issues. Lecture-recitals must include a 20-page paper that will serve as a basis for the narrative employed in the performance.

Public presentation is a requirement of all independent research/performance projects. For research projects, this means a department-sponsored public presentation of findings (typically through delivering an abridged version of the full paper). Composition projects, recitals and lecture-recitals are presented through department-sponsored performances. For final approval, all students must perform/present and pass a preliminary hearing, as specified in the department guidelines, two weeks before the official presentation. A written component of the independent research/performance project is due three days before that hearing.

In all cases, the student must determine the type of project, decide on the topic/repertoire, obtain an advisor (in the case of recitals, the student's applied adjunct instructor will be one of two advisors), and submit to the department chair a written proposal by May 1 of the junior year. A final, formal written proposal is due October 1 of the senior year.

Honors

Music majors of particular merit and possessing an interest in focused, independent work may petition the department for permission to undertake a senior honors project. Each honors student works closely with a faculty member on a project of considerable scope. Honors projects in music require a substantial commitment of student and faculty time and effort. Projects are approved on the basis of their scope and depth, their viability and the likelihood of their successful completion, and the qualifications of the student applicant. Students applying for honors must have previous coursework in the proposed area(s) of study. For instance, students proposing an honors project in composition are considered qualified only if they have already taken relevant courses in music theory and composition.

Senior honors is two semesters in duration, with the presentation at the end of the second semester. The completed project is subject to evaluation by the department faculty and an outside expert in the field.

The honors project comprises a second senior-year endeavor, one independent of the applicant's Senior Capstone (and any junior recital). To qualify for honors, applicants must possess (in addition to the minimum College GPA of 3.33 for honors) a departmental GPA of 3.5 or higher, and that standard must be maintained throughout the duration of the project.

To have projects considered for honors, music majors must submit a proposal to the chair of the Department of Music no later than May 1 of the junior year. In developing the proposal, students must consult with their advisor and the faculty member most likely to serve as project advisor. The proposal should outline the goals of the project, the steps involved in its production, and the nature of the resulting product as well as the form of its public presentation. Students should also note their qualifications to undertake the proposed project, listing courses completed in relevant areas and any other related projects completed.

Examples of recent honors projects are listed on the [department website](#).

Requirements for the Minor

The minimum requirement of 2.89 units is distributed as follows:

- Theory: MUSC 121Y-122Y
- History: MUSC 102, 105 or 107 and one of MUSC 202–205
- Electives: MUSC 124, 214D, 302-331, 391, or additional from MUSC 202–206D, 221 and 222
- Music lessons/performance: Three (3) semesters of 25-minute lessons compiled from lessons at Level II or above.

Cross Listed Courses

Music courses are cross-listed in a number of departments and programs, such as anthropology, women's and gender studies, Asian and Middle East studies, and American studies. Please consult the course offerings of the departments/programs or consult the department chair.

Courses in Music: Lecture Courses

MUSC 101 Basic Musicianship

Credit: 0.5

This is an intensive course in the basic materials of music: pitch elements (scales, intervals, chords), time elements (meter, rhythm) and notation. Emphasis is on the development of basic techniques of music-making: sight-singing, ear-training and keyboard work. Suggested for first-year students or those new to the department. No prerequisite. Generally offered each semester.

MUSC 102 Introduction to Musical Style

Credit: 0.5

This course provides a concise chronological overview of music from the middle ages through the postmodern period and an introduction to the research methods used in the fields of historical musicology and ethnomusicology. Emphasis will be placed on learning to listen analytically to and write about music, and on understanding the role of music within society. Some concert attendance may be required. Readings from primary sources will supplement the basic texts. This course is a prerequisite for upper-level courses offered by the music department. Suggested for first-year students or those new to the department. (Complements the introductory music theory courses MUSC 101 and MUSC 121Y–122Y). MUSC 102, 105 and 107 all serve as introductory courses in music history and satisfy the same prerequisites. Students may only enroll in one of these courses. This counts toward the history requirement for the major and minor. No prerequisite. Offered each year.

Instructor: Staff

MUSC 105 From Hildegard von Bingen to John Cage: Music, Composers and their World

Credit: 0.5

This course is a writing intentional survey of music from the middle ages through the post-modern period. It has been designed for first-year students who have some background in music theory and the ability to read a musical score. While the composers and their compositions will be central to the course, social, artistic, political, religious, philosophical and literary forces that shaped each era will also be explored. This course fulfills the music history prerequisite for upper-level courses offered by the music department and is recommended for students who are considering the music major or minor. This course complements the introductory music theory course MUSC 121Y–122Y. MUSC 102, 105 and 107 all serve as introductory courses in music history and satisfy the same prerequisites. Students may only enroll in one of these courses. This counts toward the history requirement for the major and minor. Prerequisite: AP score of 4 or 5 or music theory exam. Offered every year.

Instructor: Staff

MUSC 107 Comprehending Music Performance

Credit: 0.5

The performance of western art music (aka classical music) is a multifaceted process. First and foremost, performance serves as a conduit between a composer and the listeners, a vehicle in which the notated composition is converted from the printed page into an aurally comprehensible format. The performing musicians function as a "middle man" between the composer and the audience, and this community of artists adds its own layer of creativity and expression through their interpretation of the composers work. The musicians pool their finely-honed abilities into a unity of purpose: presenting their audience with a cogent statement of artistic expression. This course aims to provide an in-depth understanding of

how the music comes together, from a number of different points of view: performing musician, composer and listener. While the bulk of the course content will focus on Western art music, additional styles, including jazz and select non-Western musics, will also be explored. Gaining a historical context of style is a priority, and secondary emphases include analytical listening and writing about music. MUSC 102, 105 and 107 all serve as introductory courses in music history and satisfy the same prerequisites. Suggested for first-year students or those new to the department. This counts toward the history requirement for the major and minor. No prerequisite. Offered every year.

Instructor: Heuchemer

MUSC 121Y Music Theory/Ear Training

Credit: 0.5

This course offers a basic investigation of traditional music theory. The first semester, MUSC 121Y, will focus on diatonic harmony. MUSC 122Y will cover extended chromatic harmony. Emphasis will be on writing skills and visual/aural analyses of musical scores. Also included will be an in-depth study of the parameters of music and how these parameters function within a composition. This course takes a holistic approach to style and compares elements of music with similar principles in the other arts. Student work will include short composition projects. MUSC 102, 105 or 107, which can be taken concurrently, are recommended. This counts toward the theory requirement for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 101 or placement. Offered each fall.

MUSC 122Y Music Theory/Ear Training

Credit: 0.5

See course description for MUSC 121Y. Offered every spring.

Instructor: Staff

MUSC 124 Introduction to Computer Music

Credit: 0.5

This course introduces students to the principles of computer music. Beginning with a historical overview and introductions to the physics of sound and digital audio, the course will provide students with an understanding of basic acoustics, tuning, synthesis techniques, musique concrète, MIDI, and the composition, processing and recording of digital audio using Macintosh-based software programs. Students will compose, edit and mix original work, as well as remix extant material, and will learn how to discuss, critique and write about issues, techniques and approaches of importance to the field of computer music. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. No prerequisite. Offered every year.

Instructor: Feller

MUSC 202 Medieval and Renaissance

Credit: 0.5

This course is a survey of Western music from antiquity through the turn of the 17th century. While the stylistic development of music is central to the course, other issues to be discussed include aesthetics, philosophies, performance practices and cultural/social/political influences that significantly affected music. Primary and secondary source readings will be used to augment the basic texts. This counts toward the history requirement/additional electives for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 101 or placement by exam and MUSC 102, 105 or 107. Offered every other year.

MUSC 203 Music History: Baroque and Classical
Credit: 0.5

This course is a survey of Western art music from the early 17th century through the era of Haydn and Mozart. While the stylistic development of art music is central to the course, questions of aesthetics, philosophy, religion, performance practice and politics will also be explored. Primary and secondary source readings will be used to augment the basic texts. This counts toward the history requirement/additional electives for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 101 or placement by exam and MUSC 102, 105 or 107. Offered every other year.

Instructor: Sanders

MUSC 204 Music History: 19th Century
Credit: 0.5

This course is a survey of Western music from Beethoven to the end of the 19th century. While the stylistic development of art music is central to the course, questions of aesthetics, philosophy, performance practice and politics will also be explored. Primary and secondary source readings will be used to augment the basic text. This counts toward the history requirement/additional electives for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 101 or placement by exam and MUSC 102, 105 or 107. Offered every other year.

MUSC 205 Music History: Music Since c.1900
Credit: 0.5

This course is a survey of major trends of 20th-century Western art music, from Mahler's late Romanticism and Debussy's rejections of 19th century practices to today's musical eclecticism. While the stylistic development of music is central to the course, other issues to be discussed include aesthetics, philosophy, performance practice and cultural/social/political influences that significantly affected music. Primary and secondary source readings will be used to augment the basic text. MUSC 121Y–122Y is recommended. This counts toward the history requirement/additional electives for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 101 or placement by exam and MUSC 102, 105 or 107. Offered every other year.

MUSC 206D Seminar in Ethnomusicology
Credit: 0.5

This course is an investigation of the issues, methods and history of the discipline of ethnomusicology. This course will focus on case studies drawn from different music genres and areas of the world that illustrate the complexities of considering music in its cultural contexts. Student work will involve close listening, engagement with cultural theory and practical fieldwork exercises, and will culminate in an individual field research project on a topic related to the course. This course is double listed in the Department of Anthropology for diversification purposes. This counts toward the ethnomusicology requirement for the major or elective for the minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 102, 105 or 107 or ANTH 113. Offered three out of four years.

MUSC 214D Union of Music and Dance

Credit: 0.5

This course explores the historical intersections of music and dance in the collaborative creative process. Music and dance are inexorably linked. At times music composition and choreography happen simultaneously, as is the case with Aaron Copland and Martha Graham's "Appalachian Spring." At other times the dance comes after the music has been composed. Learning about the vital intersections between music and dance will provide students with a more deeply understood and nuanced approach to how the work of composers and choreographers intersects as they dialogue with each other in works ranging historically from Lully and Petipa to Philip Glass and Mark Morris. This is an interdisciplinary class co-taught by a professor of dance and a professor of music. This course is the same as MUSC 214D. This counts toward the theory requirement for the dance major and minor and as an elective for the music major and minor. No prerequisite. Offered spring semester every other year.

MUSC 221 18th Century Counterpoint

Credit: 0.5

This course presents a study of the compositional techniques and style of late Baroque contrapuntal forms and procedures, such as the dance suite, canon, invention, fugue, variation forms and choral prelude. Students will learn the 18th-century style through a rigorous combination of analytical score study, listening, and composition assignments. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 102, 105 or 107 and 122Y (102 may be taken concurrently). Offered every other year.

Instructor: Staff

MUSC 222 Musical Structure and Analysis

Credit: 0.5

This course presents a study of musical forms and compositional techniques from ancient times to the present. Smaller sectional forms will include binary (simple and rounded), ternary (simple and compound) and strophic. Larger forms will include rondo, variations (continuous and sectional), sonata-allegro, sonata-rondo and through-composed. Concurrent to this study of musical forms will be an investigation into the compositional applications of common-practice harmony (pre-1900) and various approaches to musical

organization post-1900. Students will engage these topics through detailed study of existing pieces, the application of common analytical techniques, and composition. A holistic approach to music will be taken, and comparisons with other arts and sciences will be investigated. This counts toward the theory requirement for the major and as an elective for the minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 102, 105 or 107 and MUSC 122Y. Offered every fall.

Instructor: Staff

MUSC 302D History of Jazz

Credit: 0.5

The most fascinating thing about jazz is its vitality. Jazz remains today what it has been since its inception: an art form of intense personal expression in the context of collaborative improvisation. This course is a social and stylistic investigation of the history of jazz, from its African American origins up to the present. Progressing chronologically, students will investigate through a variety of sources the main jazz styles and musicians and their development and influence upon the jazz scene. This counts as an elective for the music major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 101 or placement by exam. This course is the same as AMST 302D. Offered every other year.

Instructor: Buehrer

MUSC 306 Music History: J.S. Bach

Credit: 0.5

This course is a chronological exploration of the life and music of Johann Sebastian Bach. It draws upon the most recent scholarship and, to the extent possible, upon primary source documents. The student will gain an understanding of the world in which Bach lived and a familiarity with the background, structure and significance of his most important works. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 202, 203, 204, 205 or permission of instructor. Offered every two to three years.

Instructor: Sanders

MUSC 307 Ludwig Van Beethoven

Credit: 0.5

This course is a chronological exploration of the life and music of Ludwig van Beethoven. Through the study of primary sources and recent scholarship, the student will gain an understanding of Beethoven, the world in which he lived, and the background, structure and significance of his most important works. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 202, 203, 204, 205 or permission of instructor. Offered every two or three years.

Instructor: Sanders

MUSC 309 History of Opera

Credit: 0.5

This course will trace the development of opera from its origins in the 16th century through the important works of the 20th century. Students will study representative operas from the various periods in Italy, France, Germany, Eastern Europe and America to understand the stylistic development of the genre and the musical, literary, philosophical, aesthetic and political forces that shaped it. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 101 or placement by exam and MUSC 102, 105 or 107. Offered every two to three years.

Instructor: Sanders

MUSC 310D Music, Human Rights and Cultural Rights

Credit: 0.5

Music is deeply embedded in many forms of individual and cultural identity. This upper-level seminar examines the relationship of music to notions of cultural rights and human rights. Using case studies from a variety of music cultures, we will explore topics such as music censorship, music and warfare, music and disability, and music and AIDS awareness, among others. Engaging with literature from ethnomusicology, anthropology and other social sciences we will explore the following questions: What roles do music and related forms of expressive culture play in notions of human rights? Who owns music? Who has the right to transform music? What are the artistic, political and economic reasons for these transformations? What are their implications? What constitutes a cultural-rights violation? What role, if any, should regulatory agencies have with regard to monitoring cultural rights? This course is the same as ANTH 310D. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: ANTH 113 or MUSC 102, 105 or 107 and permission of instructor. This course may not be offered every year.

Instructor: Mendonça

MUSC 312D Music, Film and Culture: Ethnographic Perspectives

Credit: 0.5

This seminar will explore the relationship of music and film, with a focus on ethnographic film and ethnographic film-making. How does our understanding of music inform our experience of film? How, in turn, does our immersion in film and its conventions inform our understanding of different music? How are such conventions localized and expanded in different cultural settings? How does ethnographic film both react against, and make use of, other stylistic conventions of film-making in achieving its ends? Practical exercises in ethnographic film-making (and their analysis) during the semester will lead towards ethnographic, historical or analytical projects. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 102, 105 or 107 or ANTH 113. This course may not be offered each year.

MUSC 321 Jazz Theory and Arranging

Credit: 0.5

In this course, students will study the basics of jazz nomenclature, harmony and voice-leading and their application to writing arrangements for instrumental jazz combos of up to five horns and rhythm section or vocal jazz ensembles. Rhythmic, formal, textural and other parameters will be studied as well, and comparisons will be made to Western "classical" theoretical conventions to highlight similarities and differences between the two genres. Students will learn to write idiomatically for common jazz instruments and will study appropriate recorded examples. In addition, the course includes an ear-training component, and students will frequently be expected to practice theoretical concepts on their instruments. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 122Y. Offered every two to three years.

Instructor: Buehrer

MUSC 322 Composition

Credit: 0.5

This course offers instruction in the craft of composition. Exploring a variety of approaches and aesthetics, students will be encouraged to employ traditional formal structures, tonal and atonal materials, as well as recent techniques from the 20th and 21st centuries. Students' work will be routinely presented and discussed during class time, and presented in a final concert at the end of the semester. Attendance at concerts in metropolitan areas such as Columbus and Cleveland will be required. This course may be repeated for credit one time. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 102, 105 or 107 and 122Y. Offered every year.

Instructor: Feller

MUSC 324 Introduction to Music Technology

Credit: 0.5

This course is designed to be a follow-up to the current introductory course in computer music. Students will continue to develop fluency with the technological tools for composing and producing original, computer-assisted music. Students will learn about algorithmic composition, advanced synthesis and processing techniques, and how to implement them, designing their own patches and applications using current software packages such as Max, ProTools and various open source programs. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 124 or permission of instructor. Offered every other year.

Instructor: Feller

MUSC 331 Conducting

Credit: 0.5

This course is designed primarily for music majors to prepare them for the specific problems and issues that confront the instrumental and/or choral conductor. The class will focus on developing conducting techniques of the individual student in laboratory situations and perhaps public performance. In addition, students will do extensive reading in the philosophy of conducting and performance. One aim is to synthesize their knowledge

of music history and music theory in the presentation of their ideas. This counts as an elective for the major and minor. Prerequisite: MUSC 202, 203, 204 or 205 and MUSC 121Y and permission of instructor. Offered every other year.

Instructor: Locke

MUSC 397 Junior Honors

Credit: 0.5

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Credit: 0.5

MUSC 493 Individual Study

Credit: 0.25-0.5

Individual study is available to junior or senior music majors wishing to explore, with a music department faculty member, a topic not normally offered in the curriculum. The student proposes the topic to the faculty member, who then brings the proposal before the department for approval. The department will discuss the feasibility of any proposal. Individual studies supplement the music curriculum and may not be used to satisfy major requirements. Individual studies will earn either 0.25 or 0.50 units. After identifying a faculty member willing to oversee the individual study, the student should work with that professor to develop a short (one-page) proposal that will be shared with the department for approval. The proposal should articulate the nature of the proposed study; present planned readings, assignments and other work; and describe how or what in the proposed study will be assessed at the end of the semester. Meeting schedules may vary, but at a minimum the department expects that students will meet once per week with the faculty member. Because students must enroll for individual studies by the end of the seventh class day of each semester, they should begin discussion of the proposed individual study preferably the semester before, so that there is time to devise the proposal and seek departmental approval before the registrar's deadline.

MUSC 497Y Senior Honors Project

Credit: 0.5

Prerequisite: permission of department chair.

MUSC 498Y Senior Honors Project

Credit: 0.5

Prerequisite: permission of department chair.

Ensembles

MUSC 471 Kenyon Community Choir

Credit: 0.25

The Kenyon Community Choir is a large chorus designed to perform literature for chorus and orchestra (or piano accompaniment). Sacred and secular works from the Baroque period to the present will be performed at concerts and college functions. Membership is open to students, faculty, staff and other community members. Those who formally enroll should expect to meet requirements beyond the regular weekly rehearsals. Prerequisite: a voice placement audition and permission of instructor. Offered every year.

MUSC 472 Knox County Symphony

Credit: 0.13-0.25

The Knox County Symphony is a community-based orchestra that performs three to four times per year, including one combined concert with the Kenyon choirs. Literature includes the standard symphonic and concerto repertoire. Enrollment is limited depending on the needs of the orchestra; therefore a competitive seating audition is required. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Offered every year.

Instructor: Locke

MUSC 473 Kenyon College Chamber Singers

Credit: 0.25

The Kenyon College Chamber Singers is a small choir devoted to the literature for chamber ensemble, both a cappella and accompanied. The class meets five hours per week. Members are required to make concerts and the spring tour a priority. The course may be repeated. Prerequisite: a voice placement audition and permission of instructor. Offered every year.

Instructor: Locke

MUSC 475 Flute Choir

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is open to all qualified flutists upon audition. Special emphasis will be placed on aspects of ensemble playing, intonation, phrasing and style. One performance will be given each semester. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

Instructor: Stimson

MUSC 476 Woodwind Chamber Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This ensemble is open to students with sufficient ability to play chamber music for winds. One performance will be given each semester. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

Instructor: Staff

MUSC 477 String Chamber Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This ensemble is open to students with sufficient ability to play chamber music for strings. It is also open to keyboard players. One performance will be given each semester. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

Instructor: Biava

MUSC 478 Guitar Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This ensemble is open to all qualified guitarists upon audition. The repertoire will consist of selections encompassing a variety of styles and periods of music. One performance will be given each semester. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

Instructor: Staff

MUSC 479 Symphonic Wind Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This ensemble, involving the standard concert band instrumentation (woodwinds, brass and percussion), rehearses and performs a variety of music from the wind ensemble repertoire, including works for smaller chamber-style ensembles. There will be at least one performance per semester. Prerequisite: a section placement audition and permission of instructor.

Instructor: Heuchemer

MUSC 480 Instrumental Jazz Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course offers study of improvisational techniques, jazz and jazz fusion from the early 1900s to the present. Application is toward individual style and ensemble performance. Work will include reading of lead sheets, transposition and playing by ear. One or two concerts per semester will be given, with the strong possibility of other performance opportunities and possible inclusion of original works. Prerequisite: permission of instructor.

Instructor: Buehrer

MUSC 481 Early Music Ensemble

Credit: 0.25

The Early Music Ensemble performs music of the Middle Ages, Renaissance and Baroque using modern instruments as well as replicas of historical instruments. Performance practice issues will be explored through an examination of surviving primary sources as well as a select number of high-quality secondary sources that focus on historical performance techniques. Prerequisite: ability to read music fluently and permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

Instructor: Heuchemer

MUSC 482 Percussion Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

The Percussion Ensemble provides an opportunity for students to perform in a variety of musical styles on traditional and contemporary percussion instruments. The ensemble presents a concert every semester. The ensemble is open to all Kenyon students and community members and may require an audition. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

Instructor: Dachtyl

MUSC 483 Opera and Musical Theater Workshop

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course covers preparation and study of representative scenes from the musical theater and opera repertoire. Special attention will be given to diction and characterization. The course will lead to an end-of-semester production. The course may be repeated for credit. Prerequisites: audition and permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

MUSC 484 French Horn Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is open to horn players qualified to perform chamber music. Auditions may be required. The class will explore all periods of music with emphasis on style, technique and ensemble blending. An end-of-the semester performance will be expected. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

MUSC 485 Asian Music Ensemble

Credit: 0.25

This course provides ongoing study of the music of the Sundanese gamelan degung, a traditional ensemble incorporating different types of tuned bronze percussion, drums, flutes and vocals. Students will be introduced to basic and advanced instrumental techniques for several individual gamelan instruments and receive coaching in musicianship and ensemble skills. A variety of repertoires will be covered. Each semester will culminate in one public performance. No previous musical experience is required. This course can be used to satisfy diversification requirements in anthropology as well as music. Prerequisite: permission of instructor.

Instructor: Mendonça

MUSC 486 Harp Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This ensemble is open to students with sufficient ability to play harp. Prerequisite: permission of instructor. Not offered every semester.

Instructor: Thompson

MUSC 487 Saxophone Ensemble

Credit: 0.13-0.25

The Saxophone Ensemble is open to all qualified students. There is one performance per semester. Prerequisite: permission of instructor.

Instructor: Clark

Music Lessons

MUSC 140 Level-I Harpsichord or Organ

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to the technique and literature of the harpsichord or organ. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of .63 units of credit may be earned at this level.

Prerequisite: permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 141 Level-I Piano

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to basic piano technique: how to practice, sight-reading, relaxation and memorization. Works studied will be representative of the Baroque, classical, Romantic and modern periods. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of .63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: attendance at a one-time placement interview and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 142 Level-I Harp

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to harp technique and literature. Possible avenues of study include classical, folk and popular music, as well as improvisation. An instrument will be available for instruction and practice time. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 143 Level-I Voice

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to basic vocal technique. Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. The repertoire includes folk and popular tunes as well as classical selections. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: attendance at a one-time placement interview, ability to match pitch, and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 144 Level-I Recorder

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to basic recorder technique. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 145 Level-I Woodwinds

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to basic woodwind technique. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 146 Level-I Percussion

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to basic percussion technique. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 147 Level-I Brass

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course offers study of one of the orchestral brass instruments. Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: permission of applied music coordinator

MUSC 148 Level-I Guitar

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is an introduction to guitar technique and literature. Classical, rock/folk, acoustic pop and jazz are possible avenues of study. An acoustic, classical or electric guitar is acceptable for instruction. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: attendance at a one-time placement interview and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 149 Level-I Strings

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course offers study of one of the orchestral strings. Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 240 Level-II Harpsichord or Organ

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 140 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 241 Level-II Piano

Credit: 0.13-0.25

The course will cover representative works from all periods and emphasize practice methods, sight-reading and memorization techniques, and expression and interpretation. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 141 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 242 Level-II Harp

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 142 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 243 Level-II Voice

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course offers a continuation of flexibility and range development and includes a required music jury performance. Problems of stage deportment and interpretation are considered. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 143 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 244 Level II-Recorder

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course will consider representative sonatas and suites of the 17th and 18th centuries, as well as historical sources of recorder technique from the 16th to the middle of the 18th centuries. Simple figured bass is used. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 144 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 245 Level-II Woodwinds

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 145 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 246 Level-II Percussion

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course is a continuation of snare-drum technical studies with application to orchestral and concert band music, rudimental solos, advanced drum-set styles for jazz-rock applications, and chart reading for big band and show drumming. Music majors: This course presents an introduction to keyboard percussion and timpani, as well as orchestral techniques for various trap-percussion instruments. Performance in a scheduled music jury

is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 146 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 247 Level-II Brass

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 147 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 248 Level-II Guitar

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 148 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 249 Level-II Strings

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Appearance in a scheduled music jury is required. A fee is charged. A maximum amount of 0.63 units of credit may be earned at this level. Prerequisite: MUSC 149 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 340 Level-III Harpsichord or Organ

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 240 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 341 Level-III Piano

Credit: 0.13-0.25

The course will cover major works of the Baroque, classical, Romantic, impressionist and contemporary periods. A standard concerto may also be studied. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 241 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 342 Level-III Harp

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 242 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 343 Level-III Voice

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. Diction and interpretation are given special consideration. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 243 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 344 Level-III Recorder

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 244 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 345 Level-III Woodwinds

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 245 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 346 Level-III Percussion

Credit: 0.13-0.25

This course offers study of contemporary literature for all percussion instruments, including mallet instruments, timpani, multiple percussion and drum set. Study will include orchestral repertoire for various percussion instruments and possible solo percussion recital. A music jury performance is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 246 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 347 Level-III Brass

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 247 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 348 Level-III Guitar

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 248 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 349 Level-III Strings

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A music jury is required. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 249 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 440 Level-IV Harpsichord or Organ

Credit: 0.25-0.5

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Presentation of a recital or half recital is encouraged. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 340 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 441 Level-IV Piano

Credit: 0.25-0.5

The course will cover major works of the Baroque, classical, Romantic, impressionist and contemporary periods. A standard concerto may also be studied. Presentation of a recital or half recital is encouraged. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 341 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 442 Level-IV Harp

Credit: 0.25-0.5

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Presentation of a recital or half recital is encouraged. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 342 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 443 Level-IV Voice

Credit: 0.13-0.5

The year's work leads to a recital featuring representative styles. Diction and interpretation are given special consideration. Presentation of a recital or half recital is encouraged. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 343 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 445 Level-IV Woodwinds

Credit: 0.25-0.5

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. Presentation of a recital or half recital is encouraged. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 345 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 446 Level-IV Percussion

Credit: 0.25-0.5

This course offers study of contemporary literature for all percussion instruments, including mallet instruments, timpani, multiple percussion and drum set. Study will include orchestral repertoire for various percussion instruments. Presentation of a recital or half recital is encouraged. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 346 and permission of applied music coordinator

MUSC 447 Level-IV Brass

Credit: 0.25-0.5

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 347 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 448 Level-IV Guitar

Credit: 0.13-0.25

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 348 and permission of applied music coordinator.

MUSC 449 Level-IV Strings

Credit: 0.25-0.5

Work will be based on the needs of the individual student. A fee is charged. Units earned at this level are unlimited. Prerequisite: MUSC 349 and permission of applied music coordinator.
