

Music (A.B.)

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Recommended First Quarter Schedule

Course	Units
Entry Level Writing Course (ELWR)^ or Lower Division English Composition course (if not already satisfied)	3-4
MUS 02A Keyboard Competence	2
MUS 06A Elementary Music Theory	3
MUS 16A Elementary Musicianship	2
MUS 131A-W Music Lessons and/or MUS 140-155 Ensembles	2
Total Units:	12-13

Alternative Courses

MUS 03A Intro to Music Theory, Part I	4
Foreign Language Course	5
Social Science or Science & Engineering GE course	3-4

^ Students should not take GE or major courses with Writing Experience (WE) until ELWR is satisfied.

Explore First Year Seminars: <https://fys.ucdavis.edu/>

First Quarter Schedule Notes:

- Enroll concurrently in MUS 02A, MUS 06A, and MUS 16A unless excused by diagnostic examination
- Enroll in MUS 02A using one of the following course record numbers: 41767 or 41768. Class meeting times will be finalized mid-September.
- Music 3A is recommended for students who do not pass the MUS 06A test and/or need additional work on music fundamentals.
- You may enroll in performance courses during your first year: Music Lessons (MUS 131A-W) or Music Ensembles (MUS 140-155). More information is provided on the next page on how to enroll in performance courses.

Placement Exams

Required

MUS 06A Elementary Theory: All interested students should contact Sam Nichols (ssnichols@ucdavis.edu) to take the placement test. The test will be available either online or in person during Summer and Fall Welcome, 2021.

Recommended

MUS 02A Keyboard Competence: The optional exam to test out of Music 2A takes about 5 to 10 minutes and will be given on a drop-in basis either via Zoom or in person. There is no placement test to get into Music 2A.

Foreign Language: All students pursuing an A.B. degree in the College of Letters and Science complete a Foreign Language through the 15-unit level (For example: through SPA 003 or above.) Please see the UC Davis Language Center website for details on course placement or proficiency exams if you have familiarity with a language other than English.

Not Required

Math: The Music Major does not require the Math Placement Exam. If you plan to take Math courses be sure to review placement requirements prior to enrollment.

Chemistry: The Music Major does not require the Chemistry Placement Exam. If you plan to take Chemistry courses be sure to review placement requirements prior to enrollment.

Computer Science: The Music Major does not require the Computer Science Placement Exam. If you plan to take Computer Science courses be sure to review placement requirements prior to enrollment.

Recommended First Year Goals

- Complete the following series of courses during your first year in the music major: MUS 02A, 02B, 02C; MUS 06A, 06B, 06C; MUS 16A, 16B, 16C
- Plan to participate in lessons and ensembles during the first two years of the major
- Meet with your MUS major advisor to make a plan for second year

AP/IB Exams and Major Requirements

AP/IB Exams	Score	UCD Course	Can repeat for credit at UCD?
AP Music Theory	5, 4, 3	MUS 3A	No
IB Music	5, 6, 7	MUS 10	Yes

Please note: This chart only covers scores that yield major credit for Music.

For the most up-to-date list of all AP and IB scores and their credit at UC Davis, please refer to the charts available on the UC Davis Admissions website. <https://www.ucdavis.edu/admissions/undergraduate/freshman/exam-requirements>

Additional information:

The Music major has three possible tracks: Composition, History/Theory/Ethnomusicology, and Performance. All students take the same preparatory courses during the first two years of the major.

MUS 6A Elementary Theory Placement Exam (required)

Check music website for a sample placement test, updated information about test format, time and place.

<https://arts.ucdavis.edu/theory>

For additional questions regarding Music 6ABC, please contact Sam Nichols snichols@ucdavis.edu

MUS 2A (Keyboard Competence) & MUS 16A (Elementary Musicianship):

Music 16A must be taken concurrently with Music 6A and 2A.

A basic assessment of musicianship skills is given with the Music 6A placement test (see above); students who are accepted in 6A should enroll in 2A & 16A. There is no placement test required for Music 2A. Please contact Amelia Triest (atriest@ucdavis.edu) with questions about Music 2A & 16A.

PERFORMANCE COURSES—LESSONS AND ENSEMBLES

Applied Music Lessons are required for the major (6 units of MUS 131A-W). You are encouraged to begin lessons during your first quarter. Contact applied faculty (vocal & instrumental teachers) at:

<https://arts.ucdavis.edu/applied-faculty>

Music Ensembles are required for the major (6 units of MUS 140-155). Some ensembles require auditions. View the complete list of department ensembles here: <https://arts.ucdavis.edu/ensembles>

MUSIC MAJOR ADVISING is available Monday-Friday.

You may schedule an appointment with us via appointments.ucdavis.edu

Select "Arts Group Advising Center" then "Music" Advising. On the top of the calendar page, you will be able to choose an advisor from the drop down menu at the top of page, and set a date and time to meet with one of us:

Julie McGilvray, Music Undergraduate Advisor

Barbara Olivier, Music Program Coordinator and Advisor

Amelia Triest, Music Faculty Advisor (atriest@ucdavis.edu)