

MUSIC INSTRUMENTAL (B.S.) - RESIDENT

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

General Education/Foundational Skills Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Communication & Information Literacy ¹		
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
	Communications Elective	3
	Information Literacy Elective	3
	Information Literacy Elective	3
Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning ¹		
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
	Math Elective MATH 114 or higher	3
	Technology Competency ²	0-3
Critical Thinking ¹		
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview ³	2
	Critical Thinking Elective	3
Civic & Global Engagement ¹		
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life ³	2
	Cultural Studies Elective	3
Social & Scientific Inquiry ¹		
	Natural Science Elective	3
	Social Science Elective	3
Christianity & Contexts ¹		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
THEO 201	Theology Survey I ³	2
THEO 202	Theology Survey II ³	2
Total Hours		40-43

¹ Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skill requirements
² All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course
³ Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirements of RLGN 105 and EVAN 101 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirements of THEO 201 and THEO 202 waived

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Major Foundational Courses		
MUSC 200	Music, Art, Worship and Culture ¹	3
MUSC 312	Music History: Since 1750 ¹	3

Code	Title	Hours
	Music Literature Elective ^{1,2}	3
Total Hours		9

¹ Course may fulfill select general education requirements.
² Choose one course from the following: MUSC 213 Survey of Popular and Jazz Literature Music (3 c.h.), MUSC 314 Music in World Cultures (3 c.h.), or MUSC 371 Survey of Songwriting Literature (3 c.h.)

Code	Title	Hours
Major Core		
MUSC 498	Senior Recital	1
	Music Elective ¹	3
<i>Primary Instrument (refer to chart)</i>		
	Choose seven credit hours of Applied Music Studies – Primary Instrument courses	7
<i>Ensemble (refer to chart)</i>		
	Choose eight credit hours of Ensemble courses	8
<i>Musicianship</i>		
MUSC 105	Harmonic Practices and Theory I	3
MUSC 106	Harmonic Practices and Theory II	3
MUSC 107	Musicianship I	1
MUSC 108	Musicianship II	1
MUSC 203	Commercial Music Theory and Harmonic Practices 2-3 I	
	or MUSC 205 Chromatic Harmony	
MUSC 207	Musicianship III	1
MUSC 310	Principles of Arranging	3
MUSC 311	Music History: Antiquity - 1750	3
MUSC 315	Basic Conducting	2
MUSC 316	Choral Conducting	2
	or MUSC 317 Instrumental Conducting	
MUSC 330	Music Technology: Notation and DAW	3
MUSC 360	Commercial Improvisation Techniques	2
<i>Secondary Instrument (refer to chart)</i>		
	Choose two credit hours of Applied Music Studies – Secondary Instrument courses	2
Total Hours		47-48

¹ Choose one course from the following: MUSC 301 Brass Pedagogy (3 c.h.), MUSC 304 Keyboard Pedagogy (3 c.h.), MUSC 305 Woodwind Pedagogy (3 c.h.), MUSC 308 Percussion Pedagogy (3 c.h.), MUSC 375 String Pedagogy (3 c.h.), or MUSC 477 Guitar Pedagogy (3 c.h.)

Code	Title	Hours
Free Electives		
	Choose 16-29 credit hours of Free Electives	16-29
Total Hours		16-29

Applied Music Studies (Primary Instrument – 7 Hours)

Students must choose Piano or Guitar/Strings/Brass/Woodwinds/Percussion as their Primary Instrument.

Piano Primary

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 141	Private Piano (Freshman)	1
MUSC 142	Private Piano (Freshman)	1
MUSC 241	Private Piano Sophomore	1
MUSC 242	Private Piano Sophomore	1
MUSC 341	Private Piano (Junior)	1
MUSC 342	Private Piano (Junior)	1
MUSC 441	Private Piano Senior	1
Total Hours		7

Guitar/Strings/Brass/Woodwinds/Percussion Primary

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 151	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Freshman	1
MUSC 152	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Freshman	1
MUSC 251	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Sophomore	1
MUSC 252	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Sophomore	1
MUSC 351	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Junior	1
MUSC 352	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Junior	1
MUSC 451	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds Percussion (Senior)	1
Total Hours		7

Applied Music Studies (Secondary Instrument – 2 Hours)**Voice Secondary**

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 120	Group Voice I	1
MUSC 220	Group Voice II	1
Total Hours		2

Piano Secondary

Recommended for students whose primary is not piano.

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 244	Group Piano IV	1
MUSC 345	Group Piano V	1
Total Hours		2

Guitar Secondary

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 150	Group Guitar I	1
MUSC 250	Group Guitar II	1
Total Hours		2

Strings/Brass/Woodwinds/Percussion Secondary

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 151	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Freshman	1

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 152	Guitar, Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion Freshman	1
Total Hours		2

Ensemble (8 Hours)

Students may choose to take the same ensemble more than once

Students must take at least one ensemble per semester

Piano Students

Should take three credits of Choir Ensembles, three credits of Instrumental Chamber Ensembles, and two credits of Instrumental Major Ensembles.¹

Code	Title	Hours
Choose three credit hours of the following:		3
MUSC 178	The Worship Choir I	
MUSC 180	University Chorale I	
MUSC 181	Concert Choir I	
MUSC 182	Chamber Singers I	
MUSC 189	Celebration Choir	
MUSC 286	The Gospel Choir I	
MUSC 289	The Worship Choir II	
MUSC 386	The Gospel Choir II	
MUSC 389	The Worship Choir III	
MUSC 480	University Chorale II	
MUSC 481	Concert Choir II	
MUSC 482	Chamber Singers II	
MUSC 489	Supervised Praise and Worship Ensemble	
Choose three credit hours of the following:		3
MUSC 179	Classical Guitar Ensemble I	
MUSC 186	Brass Choir I	
MUSC 188	Woodwind Choir I	
MUSC 192	Percussion Ensemble I	
MUSC 193	Chamber Music Ensemble I	
MUSC 479	Classical Guitar Ensemble II	
MUSC 486	Brass Choir II	
MUSC 488	Woodwind Choir II	
MUSC 492	Percussion Ensemble II	
MUSC 493	Chamber Music Ensemble II	
Choose two credit hours of the following:		2
MUSC 183	Jazz Ensemble I	
MUSC 185	Symphony Orchestra I	
MUSC 194	Wind Symphony I	
MUSC 483	Jazz Ensemble II	
MUSC 485	Symphony Orchestra II	
MUSC 494	Wind Symphony II	
Total Hours		8

¹ Three credits must be upper-level

String Students

Should take eight credits of Symphony Orchestra Ensembles.¹

Code	Title	Hours
Choose eight credit hours of the following:		8
MUSC 185	Symphony Orchestra I	
MUSC 485	Symphony Orchestra II	
Total Hours		8

¹ Three credits must be upper-level

Guitar Students

Should take two credits of Choir Ensembles and six credits of Guitar Ensembles.¹

Code	Title	Hours
Choose two credit hours of the following:		2
MUSC 178	The Worship Choir I	
MUSC 180	University Chorale I	
MUSC 181	Concert Choir I	
MUSC 182	Chamber Singers I	
MUSC 189	Celebration Choir	
MUSC 286	The Gospel Choir I	
MUSC 289	The Worship Choir II	
MUSC 386	The Gospel Choir II	
MUSC 389	The Worship Choir III	
MUSC 480	University Chorale II	
MUSC 481	Concert Choir II	
MUSC 482	Chamber Singers II	
MUSC 489	Supervised Praise and Worship Ensemble	
Choose six credit hours of the following:		6
MUSC 179	Classical Guitar Ensemble I	
MUSC 479	Classical Guitar Ensemble II	
Total Hours		8

¹ Three credits must be upper-level

Brass, Woodwind or Percussion Students

Should take eight credits of Instrumental Major Ensembles

Code	Title	Hours
Choose four credit hours of the following:		4
MUSC 183	Jazz Ensemble I	
MUSC 185	Symphony Orchestra I	
MUSC 194	Wind Symphony I	
Choose four credit hours of the following:		4
MUSC 483	Jazz Ensemble II	
MUSC 485	Symphony Orchestra II	
MUSC 494	Wind Symphony II	
Total Hours		8

Additional Major Requirements

- Keyboard Proficiency Exam
- Freshman Promotional Jury
- Sophomore Performance Review
- Attendance at 56 approved concerts and recitals

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- **120** Total hours
- **2.0** Overall grade point average
- **30** Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major
- **25%** Of major taken through Liberty University
- **30** Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date
- **CSEER** All requirements must be satisfied before a degree will be awarded

Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life	2
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview	2
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
MUSC 105	Harmonic Practices and Theory I	3
MUSC 107	Musicianship I	1
	Ensemble ¹	1
	Primary Instrument ²	1
	CSEER	0
Hours		16

Second Semester		
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
	Information Literacy Elective (MUSC 200) ³	3
	Math Elective (114 or higher) ³	3
	Technology Competency ^{3,4}	0-3
MUSC 106	Harmonic Practices and Theory II	3
MUSC 108	Musicianship II	1
	Ensemble ¹	1
	Primary Instrument ²	1
	Secondary Instrument ^{2,5}	1
	CSEER	0
Hours		14-17

Second Year		
First Semester		
RSCH 201	Research	3
	Communications Elective ³	3
MUSC 203	Commercial Music Theory and Harmonic	2-3
	or MUSC 205 Practices I	
	or Chromatic Harmony	
MUSC 207	Musicianship III	1
	Ensemble ¹	1
	Primary Instrument ²	1
	Secondary Instrument ^{2,5}	1

Course	Title	Hours
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		15-16
Second Semester		
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
Natural Science Elective ³		3
Social Science Elective ³		3
MUSC 315	Basic Conducting	2
Ensemble ¹		1
Primary Instrument ²		1
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		15
Third Year		
First Semester		
MUSC 311	Music History: Antiquity - 1750	3
MUSC 330	Music Technology: Notation and DAW	3
MUSC 316 or MUSC 317	Choral Conducting or Instrumental Conducting	2
MUSC 360	Commercial Improvisation Techniques	2
MUSC Elective ⁶		3
Ensemble ¹		1
Primary Instrument ²		1
CSER		0
Hours		15
Second Semester		
THEO 201	Theology Survey I	2
Information Literacy Elective ³		3
Ensemble ¹		1
Primary Instrument ²		1
Elective		3
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		13
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
THEO 202	Theology Survey II	2
Cultural Studies Elective (MUSC 312) ³		3
MUSC 310	Principles of Arranging	3
Ensemble ¹		1
Primary Instrument ²		1
Elective		3
Elective		3
CSER		0
Hours		16
Second Semester		
Critical Thinking Elective (MUSC 213, MUSC 314, or MUSC 371) ³		3
MUSC 498	Senior Recital	1
Ensemble ¹		1
Elective		3

Course	Title	Hours
Elective		3
Elective		3
Elective		2
CSER		0
Hours		16
Total Hours		120-124

¹ See DCP for Ensemble options

² See DCP for Primary Instrument options

³ Refer to the list of approved general education electives at www.liberty.edu/gened before enrolling in foundational skills requirements

⁴ All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course; refer to www.liberty.edu/computerassessment for more information

⁵ See DCP for Secondary Instrument options

⁶ Choose from: MUSC 301, 304, 305, 308, 375, or 477