



Music, Bachelor of Music
with Elective Studies in an Outside Field
Major Academic Plan (MAP) for Catalog Year 2026-2027

The catalog is the final authority on CATC and major requirements; this is intended as a tool for planning purposes. Student course sequencing may vary depending on course offerings and other variables.

<p>Fall Semester 1 14.5 credits</p> <p>MUMS 115: Intro to Musical Studies (2) MUTC 151: Theory 1 (3)^F MUTC 152: Aural Skills (1)^{F*} MUEP 219 Primary Instrument (2) MUIP 201-222 Piano class/lessons, if needed⁴ MUIP 223 Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>CORE 101: First Year Seminar</i> <i>CORE 131: Holistic Human Flourishing (1)</i> <i>COMM 101: Oral Comm (2)</i></p>	<p>Spring Semester 1 14.5 credits</p> <p>MUTC 171: Theory 2 (3)^{S*} MUTC 172: Aural Skills (1)^{S*} Primary Instrument (2)³ MUIP 201-222 MUEP 219 MUCS 261: Music Before 1600 (2)^S Piano class/lessons if needed⁴ MUIP 223 Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>ENGW 103: First-Year Writing</i> <i>ART 101/COMM 171: Art/Theater VPA (2)</i></p>	<p>Summer 1²</p> <p><i>Consider study abroad, internship, or research options – Wheaton In summer program, WIN (Honey Rock), Wheaton in the Black Hills, non-major internship, summer research</i></p>
<p>Fall Semester 2 16.5 credits</p> <p>MUEP 219 MUTC 241: Theory 3 (2)^{F*} MUTC 252: Aural Skills 3 (1)^{F*} Primary Instrument (2)³ MUIP 201-222 MUCS 262: Baroque/Classical^F Free electives (3)⁹ Piano class/lessons, if needed⁴ MUIP 223 Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>BITH 211/ARCH 211: Old Testament</i></p>	<p>Spring Semester 2 16.5 credits</p> <p>Course from Outside Field⁸ MUEP 219 MUTC 261: Theory 4 (3)^{S*} MUTC 272: Aural Skills 4 (1)^{S*} Primary Instrument (2)³ MUIP 201-222 MUCS 263: 19th-century music (2)^S Piano class/lessons, if needed⁴ MUIP 223 Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>BITH 213/ARCH 213: New Testament</i></p>	<p>Summer 2²</p> <p><i>Consider a summer music experience</i></p> <p><i>Consider study abroad, internship, or research options.</i></p>
<p>Fall Semester 3 17.5 credits</p> <p>Course from Outside Field⁸ MUEP 219 MUCS 274: World Music¹ Primary Instrument (2)³ MUIP 201-222 MUMS 248/346: Basic Conducting/Lab (3)[*] Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>BITH 315: Christian Thought</i></p>	<p>Spring Semester 3 17.5 credits</p> <p>Course from Outside Field⁸ MUEP 219 MUCS 361: 20th Century Music⁵ Primary Instrument (2)³ MUIP 201-222 MUIP Elective (2) Chamber Music (1)⁷ Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>Advanced Integrative Seminar^{1*}</i></p>	<p>Summer 3²</p> <p><i>Consider an internship or a summer music experience</i></p> <p><i>Consider study abroad, internship, or research options.</i></p>
<p>Fall Semester 4 17.5 credits</p> <p>Course from Outside Field⁸ MUEP 219 MUCS 494: Capstone Experience (2)^{F*} Primary Instrument (2)³ MUIP 201-222 Music Electives⁶ (2) MUIP Elective (2) Chamber Music (1)⁷ Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>Thematic Core Course¹</i></p>	<p>Spring Semester 4 13.5 credits</p> <p>Course from Outside Field⁸ Course from Outside Field⁸ MUEP 219 Primary Instrument (2)³ MUIP 201-222 Music Electives⁶ Large Ensemble (1)⁵ MUIP 492: Senior Recital [or fall] (0) Free Electives (2)⁹ Large Ensemble (0.5)⁵ MUEP 213-218</p> <p><i>Complete CATC requirements, if any</i></p>	<p>Summer 4</p>

Notes or Special Guidance for Majors:

*Course has a prerequisite

^F Fall only course

^S Spring only course

#Offered every other year

¹The CATC Thematic Core course that is met with a Bachelor of Music in Performance major is: MUCS 274: World Music (GP). Other Thematic Core courses should be chosen from Category II and the Visual and Performing Arts sections of the Christ at the Core checklist for BM and BME students that can be found [here](#). The Advanced Integrative Seminar can also meet Thematic Core tags. Depending on the outside field chosen, there may be courses that meet the CATC Thematic Core tags.

² Consider taking summer credits through Honey Rock and Wheaton in the Northwoods to satisfy Old and New Testament and CATC requirements.

³ 16 hours of credit is required from MUIP 201-MUIP 422. In the first 4 semesters, courses should be chosen from MUIP 201-222. For the last 4 semesters, these courses should be chosen from MUIP 401-422.

⁴ Note that all students must pass piano proficiency; this should be completed by the end of sophomore year; piano lessons/class apply to Free Electives.

⁵ Music majors will also enroll and participate in a Large Music Ensemble (Women's Chorale, Men's Glee Club, Concert Choir, Symphony Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Jazz Ensemble) each semester; .5 credit will be given each semester. The majority of World Studies and Urban Studies require only 7 semesters. Theater Concentration can be limited to 6 only if a student is chosen to participate in Theater Workout.

⁶ Music electives may be chosen from MUCS, MUEP, MUIP, MUTC, and MUMS courses except MUCS 101, 102, 103, or MUTC 101. The requirement is 6 credit hours for most. Pre-Health and the Majority World only require 4 hours.

⁷ Chamber Music is required for 2 semesters. Choices include: MUEP 356-358; 371 (see catalog for multiple sections).

⁸ See the course catalog for specifics for each of the Outside Fields. See footnotes 6 and 9.

⁹ Free Electives can include both music and non-music courses. 1-5 hours are required, depending on the outside field chosen. Most are 3 credit hours except: Pre-health studies (5), Majority World Studies (1), See the course catalog for more information.

-Music majors will enroll in Recital-Concert attendance (MUEP 219 – 0 hours) each semester, which will give them opportunities to hear guest performers and speakers, as well as perform for their peers.

-Music History core classes (MUCS 261, 262, 263, 361) should be taken in order, if possible.

-All Elective Studies major students will have a Senior Half Recital (MUIP 492) as a requirement for the Bachelor of Music degree.

-Current Conservatory of Music students are encouraged to read the Wheaton College Conservatory Handbook.

-All Music majors must register for MUMS 115: Intro to Music Studies in their first fall semester.