

B.M. IN MUSIC - GUITAR PERFORMANCE CONCENTRATION

Requirements

This is a screened program. Please see the admission requirements for additional information.

Music Major Requirements

Students completing the Bachelor of Music degree in Music must earn a total of 83-86 units in the major. They must complete the required courses in Music (39 units) and one of the following concentrations: Composition (44 units), Guitar (44 units), Jazz/Commercial Music (Performance or Composition) (44 units), Keyboard (44 units), Voice (47 units), or Winds/Strings/Percussion (44 units). Music majors must complete minimum 24 upper-level (300-400) units in MUSC (Music), Music Applied (MUSA), and/or Music Education (MUED) courses toward the major at Towson University.

Code	Title	Units
Required Courses for All Concentrations in Music		
MUSC 131	MUSIC THEORY AND MUSICIANSHIP I	2
MUSC 132	MUSIC THEORY II	2
MUSC 134	MUSICIANSHIP II	2
MUSC 201	MUSIC IN THE UNITED STATES	3
or MUSC 202	MUSIC CULTURES OF THE WORLD	
MUSC 231	MUSIC THEORY III	2
MUSC 233	MUSICIANSHIP III	2
MUSC 232	MUSIC THEORY IV	2
MUSC 234	MUSICIANSHIP IV	2
MUSC 287	CREATIVE MUSIC TECHNOLOGY	3
MUSC 303	HISTORY OF MUSIC IN THE EUROPEAN CLASSICAL TRADITION	3
MUSA xxx	Applied lessons in the primary medium	16
Total Units		39

Guitar Performance Concentration Requirements

Code	Title	Units
Additional Music Courses		
MUSA 190	PIANO CLASS I	1
MUSA 194	FUNCTIONAL ACCOMPANIMENT TECHNIQUES	2
MUSC 221	INTRODUCTION TO CONDUCTING	2
MUSC 331	MATERIALS, TECHNIQUES, AND PRACTICES OF 20TH AND 21ST CENTURY MUSIC	3
MUSC 401	ADVANCED MUSIC HISTORY	3
Select one of the following 400-level music history and culture courses		3
MUSC 405	CONTEMPORARY MUSIC	
MUSC 411	SURVEY OF OPERA	

MUSC 413	SYMPHONIC LITERATURE	
MUSC 421	MUSIC IN THE U.S.	
MUSC 422	HISTORY OF MUSIC FOR FILM AND MEDIA	
MUSC 426	JAZZ HISTORY	
MUSC 471	SPECIAL TOPICS IN MUSIC HISTORY AND CULTURE	
MUSC 409	GUITAR HISTORY AND LITERATURE	3
MUSC 462	GUITAR PEDAGOGY	3
Electives		
MUSC xxx	Upper-level MUSC elective ¹	3
MUSA or MUSC xxx	Music Electives	4
Additional Lessons, Ensembles and Recitals		
MUSA xxx	Lessons in a secondary medium	2
MUSA xxx	Ensembles: All performance majors are required to be in at least one ensemble per term of their eight terms of coursework. Eight terms in Guitar Ensemble; two terms of any vocal ensemble or solo and ensemble accompanying; three terms of any ensembles, one of which must include World Music Ensemble unless the student has completed a 3-unit global perspectives in music (MUSC) course.	13
MUSA 399	JUNIOR RECITAL FOR BACHELOR OF MUSIC DEGREE	1
MUSA 499	SENIOR RECITAL FOR BACHELOR OF MUSIC DEGREE	1
Total Units		44

¹ MUSC 493 may be taken for a maximum of 3 elective units only by successful petition to the department chair.

Four-Year Plan of Study

Sample Four-Year Plan

The selected course sequence below is an example of the simplest path to degree completion. Based on course schedules, student needs, and student choice, individual plans may vary. Students should consult with their adviser to make the most appropriate elective choices and to ensure that they have completed the required number of units (120) to graduate.

Freshman			
Term 1	Units	Term 2	Units
MUSA 135	2	MUSA 135	2
MUSA 190	1	MUSA 194	2
MUSA 275	1	MUSA 275	1
MUSC 131	2	MUSC 132	2
Core 1 (or Core 2)	3	MUSC 134	2
Core 3	3	Core 2 (or Core 1)	3
Core 5	3	Core 6	3
	15		15
Sophomore			
Term 1	Units	Term 2	Units
MUSA 235	2	MUSA 235	2
MUSA 275	1	MUSA 275	1

MUSC 201 (Core 11)	3 MUSA xxx: Vocal Ensemble or Solo and Ensemble Accompanying	1
Or	MUSC 232	2
MUSC 202 (Core 12)	MUSC 234	2
MUSC 221	2 MUSC 303	3
MUSC 231	2 Core 7	4
MUSC 233	2	
MUSC 287 (Core 4)	3	
	15	15

Junior

Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
MUSA 335	2 MUSA 335	2
MUSA 475	1 MUSA 399	1
MUSA xxx: Vocal Ensemble or Solo and Ensemble Accompanying	1 MUSA 475	1
MUSA xxx: Lessons in a Secondary Medium	2 MUSA xxx: Ensemble	1
MUSC 331	3 MUSC 409	3
MUSC 401	3 Core 8	4
Core 9	3 MUSC xxx –(400 Level Music History/Culture Course)	3
Elective (MUSA or MUSC)	2	
	17	15

Senior

Term 1	Units Term 2	Units
MUSA 435	2 MUSA 435	2
MUSA 475	1 MUSA 475	1
MUSA xxx: Ensemble	1 MUSA 499	1
MUSC 462	3 MUSA xxx: Vocal Ensemble or Solo and Ensemble Accompanying	1
Core 10	3 Core 12 (or Core 11)	3
Elective (MUSA or MUSC)	2 Core 13	3
Elective (Upper-Level MUSC)	3 Core 14	3
	15	14

Total Units 121