

## ACADEMIC ADVISING

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## GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: Last 30 credit hours of degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS

### Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: [catalog.uccs.edu](http://catalog.uccs.edu)
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Music: [Music | Visual & Performing Arts \(uccs.edu\)](http://www.uccs.edu/music)

Major Requirements			
VAPA – Music Major Composition & Sonic Arts Emphasis (63 hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires a minimum of 54 credit hours of MUS course work, and an additional 9 hours of VAPA department course work.</li> <li>• Requires a minimum of 30 credit hours of upper-division (3000+ level) VAPA course work.</li> <li>• All VAPA course work must have a grade of "C" or better.</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> All VAPA Music majors must meet with the department's Program Director each semester for academic advising. Contact the Music Program Director for details.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> Refer to the Private Lessons webpage for instructions on how to register for Applied Lessons: <a href="https://www.uccs.edu/vapa/index/music/lessons">https://www.uccs.edu/vapa/index/music/lessons</a></p>	VAPA 1000-level Core course	Complete one 1000-level VAPA Core course from the following: VAPA 1005, 1020, 1050, 1100, 1500	3
	VAPA 3000-level Core courses	Complete 6 hours of 3000-level VAPA Core courses from the following: VAPA 3900, 3910, 3920, 3950, 3960, 3970, 3980, 3990	6
	MUS 1010	Music Theory I: Tonality	3
	MUS 1030	Aural Skills I	1
	MUS 1040	Class Piano	1
	MUS 2010	Music Theory II: Contemporary Harmony	3
	MUS 2030	Sight Singing and Ear Training II	1
	MUS 2150	Electronic and Computer Music I	3
	MUS 2300	Electronic Acoustic Ensemble	2
	MUS 2500	Composition Seminar	3
	MUS 2850	Topics in Music History and Research I	3
	MUS 2950	Audio Engineering & Production I	3
	MUS 3010	Music Theory III: Post-Tonal Theory	3
	MUS 3030	Sight Singing and Ear Training III	1
	MUS 3200	Electronic & Computer Music II	3
	MUS 3500	Composition Seminar II	3
	MUS 3850	Topics in Music History and Research II	3
	MUS 4010	Music Theory IV: Comparative Music Theory	3
	MUS 4750	Contemporary Music: Cultures, Designs and Aesthetics	3
	MUS 4980	Music Capstone: Senior Thesis	3
Ensemble Courses	Complete 2 hours from the following courses: MUS 1310, 2250, 2310, 2400, 4300	2	
Applied Lessons	Complete 4 hours of instruction, 1 hour each level, on a primary instrument or voice: MUS 1600, 2600, 3600, 4600	4	
Music Electives	Complete 3 hours from the following: MUS 2450, 3150, 3700, 3950, 4030, 4250, 4300, 4950, 4960	3	

General Education and Elective Requirements																					
<b>Core Writing Requirement</b> (6 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>)</li> <li>ENGL 1410</li> <li>PORT 3000 (0 Credits) – Writing Portfolio</li> </ul>																				
<b>Reasoning Skills</b> (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.																				
<b>Area Requirements</b> (27 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maximum 2 courses from any one discipline may be applied to the area requirements</li> <li>Courses may not be taken pass/fail</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Humanities – 9 credit hours of which 3 credits must be HUM 3990.</li> <li>Social Sciences – 9 credit hours</li> <li>Natural Sciences – 9 credits hours, of which at least 1 credit must be from a lab course</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Cannot select courses from primary major courses for area requirements.</p>																				
<b>Oral Communication, Cultural Diversity, and Global Awareness Requirements</b>	One course from each list (see degree audit). <i>All courses that fulfill these requirements may also count towards other general education or major requirements.</i>																				
<b>Compass Curriculum</b> (12 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore and Navigate courses must be outside major and area requirements</li> <li>Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses can count towards other requirements within degree</li> </ul>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Component</th> <th>Course</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><b>Gateway</b></td> <td>GPS 1010</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Explore – Physical and Natural World</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Navigate</b></td> <td>HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Summit</b></td> <td>MUS 4980 (included in major requirements)</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC)</b> <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i></td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)</li> <li>See Degree Audit</li> </ul> </td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Inclusiveness</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Sustainability</b></td> <td>See Degree Audit</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Component	Course	<b>Gateway</b>	GPS 1010	<b>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Explore – Physical and Natural World</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Navigate</b>	HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)	<b>Summit</b>	MUS 4980 (included in major requirements)	<b>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC)</b> <i>Two courses with one upper-division (3000+ level)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HUM 3990 (included in LAS area requirements)</li> <li>See Degree Audit</li> </ul>	<b>Inclusiveness</b>	See Degree Audit	<b>Sustainability</b>	See Degree Audit
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<b>General Electives</b> (7-10 hours)	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.																				

## FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			ENGL 1310	3		ENGL 1410
		MUS 1600	1		MUS 2010	3
		MUS 1010	3		MUS 2030	1
		MUS 1030	1		MUS Ensemble	2
		MUS 1040	1		INDS 1050	3
		VAPA 1000-Level Course	3		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3
		GPS 1010	3			
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			MUS 2600	1		MUS 2300
		MUS 2150	3		MUS 2950	3
		MUS 2850	3		MUS 2500	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Humanities elective	3
		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3		Social Science elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	16		<b>TOTAL</b>	14

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			MUS 3600	1		VAPA 3000-level course
		MUS 3010	3		MUS 3500	3
		MUS 3030	1		MUS 3200	3
		MUS 3850	3		HUM 3990	3
		Natural Science w/ Lab elective	5		UD Social Science elective	3
		Oral Communication	3			
		<b>TOTAL</b>	16		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
			MUS 4600	1		MUS 4980
		MUS 4750	3		MUS Elective	3
		MUS 4010	3		VAPA 3000-level course	3
		Natural Science elective	4		UD Humanities elective	3
		UD Social Science elective	3		UD General elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	14		<b>TOTAL</b>	15