



Semester 1		Credits	Success Marker	Semester 2		Credits
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0	* Music Electives (36-37 hours) including 200 or 300 level composition study, selected from approved courses in consultation with theory/composition area coordinator. PLUS additional electives (4 hours) that may include applied, classroom, or ensemble hours. *Ensemble requirement = 6 hours	MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0		
MUTC 101: Theory I	2		MUTC 102: Theory II	2		
MUTC 103: Aural Skills I	2		MUTC 104: Aural Skills II	2		
Primary Inst/Voice Study (200 level)	2		Primary Inst/Voice Study (200 level)	2		
Ensemble (300 level)	1		Ensemble (300 level)*	1		
Foundational Study	3		Foundational Study	3		
Knowledge Domain	3		Knowledge Domain	3		
Elective: Music*	1-4		Elective: Music*	1-4		
Total hours	14-17		Total hours	14-17		
Semester 3		Credits	Success Marker	Semester 4		Credits
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0	SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: Before the senior year, composition majors must fulfill one of the following requirements: --> complete at least 2 semesters of keyboard study --> Pass keyboard proficiency exam at the intermediate level	MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0		
MUTC 201: Theory III	2		MUTC 202: Theory IV	2		
MUTC 203: Aural Skills III	2		MUTC 204: Aural Skills IV	2		
Primary Inst/Voice Study (200 level)	2		Primary Inst/Voice Study (200 level)	2		
Ensemble (300 level)*	1		Ensemble (300 level)	1		
Foundational Study	3		Foundational Study	3		
Knowledge Domain	3		Knowledge Domain	3		
Elective: Music*	1-4		Elective: Music*	1-4		
Elective: Music*	1-3	Elective: Music*	1-3			
Total hours	15-20		Total hours	15-20		
Semester 5		Credits	Success Marker	Semester 6		Credits
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0	* Course(s) approved by faculty advisor	MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0		
MUHL 321: Music History I	3		MUTC 301: Theory V++	2		
Primary Inst/Voice Study (300 level)	2		MUHL 322: Music History II	3		
Ensemble (300 level)*	1		Primary Inst/Voice Study (300 level)	2		
Knowledge Domain	3		Ensemble (300 level)*	1		
Elective: Music*	1-4		Knowledge Domain	3		
Elective: Music*	1-3		Elective: Music*	1-4		
Total hours	12-16		Total hours	12-15		
Semester 7		Credits	Success Marker	Semester 8		Credits
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0		MUSC 399B: Senior Project or Composition	0		
MUHL 323: 20th c. Music History ++	3		Elective: Music*	3-4		
Knowledge Domain	3		Elective: Music*	3-4		
Elective: Music*	3-4		Elective: Music*	4		
Elective: Music*	2-3					
Total hours	11-13		Total hours	10-12		

Notes/Comments: This plan is an example of what a four year plan could look like for a typical student. Placement exam score, completion of coursework may change the plan. It should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. To meet with their advisor each semester to discuss course scheduling. All requirements are subject to change by NIU.

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+ + Both MUTC 301 and MUHL 323 are required for this emphasis

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is in math as well as the
All students are encouraged