Augustana College

MUSIC COMPOSITION

Courses required for the first year:

- MULS-350 Composition Lessons (2 credits, i.e. hour lessons, recommended for majors)
- MUSC-110 Music Theory Rudiments (fall term may test out of based on theory placement exam)
- MUSC-111 & MUSC-112/MUSC-112L Musicianship
- MULS-3xx Applied Lessons on primary instrument/voice, see chart below for specific course numbers
- MULS-302 Piano Lessons (experienced players) OR MUSC-121 & MUSC-122 Class Piano (beginners)
- MUEN-3xx or MUEN-4xx, Major Ensemble usually for 0 credit, see chart below for specific course numbers

Courses recommended for the first year: None

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The Major in Music Composition

Required Courses

Course	Course Name	Learning	Prerequisites	Usually	Credits
Number		Perspective/		offered:	
		Suffix		F, J, SP, SU*	
MUSC-110	Music Theory		Theory	F	1
	Rudiments		placement exam		
MUSC-111	Musicianship I	PA		F	4
MUSC-112	Musicianship II		MUSC-110	S	4
MUSC-112L	Musicianship II Lab			S	0
MUSC-211	Musicianship III		MUSC-112	F	4
MUSC-211L	Musicianship III Lab			F	0
MUSC-212	Musicianship IV		MUSC-211	S	4
MUSC-212L	Musicianship IV Lab			S	0
MUSC-300	World Music	PS, G		S	4
MUSC-311	Music Styles &	PP		F	4
	Literature I				
MUSC-312	Music Styles &	PP		S	4
	Literature II				
MUSC-225	Music Notation			Every third F	2
MUSC-320	Instrumentation &			Every third F	2
	Orchestration			·	
MUSC-330	New Music Seminar			Every third F	2
MUSC-360	Conducting I			F	4
MUSC-490	Senior Recital			S	1
MUSC-450	Senior Inquiry Seminar	SI		F	2
MUSC-451	Senior Inquiry	SI		S	1

Applied Music Lessons & Ensemble Requirements

- Applied Composition Lessons MULS-350 (12 credits)
- Minor Applied Vocal or Instrumental Lessons MULS-3xx (5 credits), see chart below for specific course numbers
- Applied Electronic Music Lessons MULS-353 (1 credit)
- Class Piano MUSC-121, MUSC-122, MUSC-221, MUSC-222 (4 credits total) or Applied Piano MULS-302 (minimum 2 terms and proficiency)
- **Ensembles** composition majors are required to enroll in 8 terms of ensembles for 0-1 credits, see chart below for specific course numbers
- Ensemble and applied lesson requirements are waived during foreign study or internships.

Non-Credit Proficiencies in Music

- MUSC-001 Piano Proficiency
- MUSC-002 Concert Attendance (96 required recitals & concerts)
- MUSC-003 Improvisation
- Performance level requirements, evaluated in applied lessons (see department handbook)

Music Lesson Course Numbers (MULS), taken for 1-4 credits

(1 credit = 30 minute weekly lesson, 2 credits = 60 minute weekly lesson, etc.)

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* Fall term only, new piano and	* MULS-301 Voice	MULS-330 Percussion
voice students should register	* MULS-302 Piano	MULS-331 Drum Set
for:	MULS-303 Organ	MULS-332 Electric Bass
	MULS-310 Flute	MULS-333 Guitar
MULS-090 Voice Placement	MULS-311 Oboe	MULS-334 Harp
MULS-091 Piano Placement	MULS-312 Clarinet	MULS-340 Violin
	MULS-313 Saxophone	MULS-341 Viola
Following registration, students	MULS-314 Bassoon	MULS-342 Cello
will be assigned a teacher and	MULS-320 Trumpet	MULS-343 Double Bass
added to the appropriate section	MULS-321 Horn	MULS-350 Composition
	MULS-322 Trombone	MULS-351 Jazz Improvisation
	MULS-323 Euphonium	MULS-352 Free Improvisation
	MULS-324 Tuba	MULS-353 Electronic
		Composition

Music Ensemble Course Numbers (MUEN), taken for 0-1 credits

* Fall term only, new students should register for:	Ensembles that do not meet scholarship requirement:	Ensembles that meet scholarship requirement:
MUEN-096 Choir Audition MUEN-097 Band Audition MUEN-098 Orchestra Audition MUEN-099 Jazz Audition Following audition, students will be added to the appropriate ensemble	MUEN-110 Augustana Academic Chorus MUEN-114 SMI Lab Ensemble MUEN-201 Chamber Singers MUEN-207 Opera	* MUEN-302 Augustana Concert Chorale * MUEN-303 Augustana Concert Band * MUEN-306 Jenny Lind Vocal Ensemble * MUEN-400 Augustana Choir * MUEN-404 Augustana Jazz Ensemble

	* MUEN-408 Augustana Symphony Orchestra * MUEN-409 Augustana Symphonic Band
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The Minor in Music Composition

Required Courses

Course Number	Course Name	Learning Perspective/ Suffix	Prerequisites	Usually offered: F, J, SP, SU*	Credits
MUSC-110	Music Theory Rudiments		Theory placement exam	F	1
MUSC-111	Musicianship I	PA		F	4
MUSC-112	Musicianship II		MUSC-110	S	4
MUSC-112L	Musicianship II Lab			S	0
MUSC-312	Music Styles & Literature II	PP		S	4
MUSC-225	Music Notation			Every other S	2
MUSC-320	Instrumentation & Orchestration			Every other S	2
MUSC-330	New Music Seminar			Every other F	2

Applied Music Lessons & Ensemble Requirements

- Applied Composition Lessons MULS-350 (6 credits total)
- **Ensembles** composition minors are required to enroll in 4 terms of ensembles for 0-1 credits.

Non-Credit Proficiencies in Music

• MUSC-002 Concert Attendance (32 required recitals & concerts)

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^{*}Fall, J-term, Spring, Summer; see Academic Calendar for specific dates