

Music Studies Minor (18 credits, revised Summer 2025)

Complete 3 credits from the following:		
MUS 102	School of Rock: History and Stylistic Development of Rock Music	3
MUS 103	A Grand Ole Tour: History of Country Music	3
MUS 104	All That Jazz: Exploring Jazz History & Styles	3
MUS 105	Hooked on Classics: Exploring Composers and Masterpieces	3
MUS 106	Cinemagic: Exploring Film Music	3
MUS 107	Broadway: Exploring American Musical Theatre	3
MUS 108	Journeys of Sound: Introduction to World Music	3
Complete one of the following:		
Another 3 credits of MUS 102-108 <sup>1</sup>		or
MUS 381	Music in a Historical Context <sup>2</sup>	3
Complete at least 7 credits from the following:		
MUS 109	Musicianship: Music Fundamentals	3
MUS 124	Beginning Class Piano I	1
MUS 125	Beginning Class Piano II	1
MUS 140	Introduction to Composition	3
MUS 170	Introduction to Music Theory <sup>3</sup>	3
MUS 171	Aural Skills I <sup>3</sup>	1
MUS 172	Functional Keyboard I <sup>3</sup>	1
MUS 173	Tonal Analysis	3
MUS 174	Aural Skills II	1
MUS 175	Functional Keyboard II	1
MUS 241	Composition Level I <sup>4</sup>	1-3
Earn at least 3 upper level credits from MUS 300-499		
Earn at least 2 credits from the following courses		
MUS 114-119	Applied Lessons <sup>5</sup>	1-3
MUS 120, 124-128	Beginning Class Instrument/Voice	1
MUS 150-168	Ensembles	1

<sup>1</sup> Only 6 credits of MUS 102-108 count towards the Music Studies Minor

<sup>2</sup> To take MUS 381 as a Music Studies minor, you must pass ENG 105 and one of the MUS 102-108 courses, MUS 381 must be taken before MUS 382 and 383

<sup>3</sup> To take MUS 170, students must pass the [Online Fundamentals Entrance Exam](#) found on the Murray State Music website, or take MUS 109

<sup>4</sup> To take Composition lessons, students must pass MUS 140 and submit finished compositions to the composition faculty to be considered for entry into the Composition studio

<sup>5</sup> Students must pass an audition to take applied lessons, they also must participate in an ensemble while in lessons courses