

# Performance Track

42 credits

# Music BA Curriculum

This track is intended for students who want to explore and improve their skills as performers in a wide range of genres. It provides a solid background in skills-based musicianship, music theory, history, and the study of other traditions, which are part of the fabric of current music-making in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. This curriculum also provides a concentration on traditional applied study of an instrument and valuable experiences in concert settings with master teachers and coaches.

### PREREQUISITE COURSE (must be completed prior to declaring the Music Major):

MUSIC 0100 – Fundamentals of Western Music – 3 credits

- Students must earn a letter grade of B- or better in this course in order to declare a Music Major or Minor
- Students may elect to take the Music Theory placement exam in lieu of enrolling in MUSIC 0100. A passing grade of 85% is required in order for the placement exam to meet this requirement.

### CORE COURSES [21 credits]

<u>semester+year taken</u>	<u>credits</u>	<u>course number &amp; name</u>
_____	3	MUSIC 0222: Music History 1
_____	3	MUSIC 0411: Theory 1
_____	1	MUSIC 0412: Musicianship 1
_____	1	MUSIC 0416: Musicianship 2
_____	3	MUSIC 1310: Introduction to Global & Popular Music
_____	3	MUSIC 0711: History of Jazz <b>-OR-</b> MUSIC 1326: Afro-American Music in the US
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)

*NB: Performance courses are either private lessons or ensembles.*

*Must include at least one world music ensemble, to be selected from the following:*

*MUSIC 0660: African Drumming Ensemble / MUSIC 0661: Pitt AfroPop Ensemble / MUSIC 0690: University Gamelan / MUSIC 0616: Bluegrass Ensemble*

_____	3	MUSIC 1904: Senior Seminar
-------	---	----------------------------

*NB: All Core and Required Courses must be completed prior to registering for*

*MUSIC 1904: Senior Seminar. MUSIC 1903: Senior Project may be taken concurrently.*

_____	1	MUSIC 1903: Senior Project
-------	---	----------------------------

*NB: See separate document detailing Senior Project parameters*

### REQUIRED COURSES [21 credits]

<u>semester+year taken</u>	<u>credits</u>	<u>course number &amp; name</u>
_____	3	MUSIC 0224: Music History 2
_____	3	MUSIC 0415: Theory 2
_____	3	MUSIC 0417: Theory 3
_____	3	MUSIC 0419: Theory 4

*One composition course to be selected from the following (3 total credits):*

_____	3	MUSIC 1421/1422: Composition 1/2
_____	3	MUSIC 1431: Instrumentation & Orchestration
_____	3	MUSIC 1441: Electronic & Computer Music 1
_____	3	MUSIC 1442: Electronic & Computer Music 2

*Six additional Performance courses:*

_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)
_____	1	MUSIC ____: Performance course (1 per semester)