

Bachelor of Music in Music Performance: Strings and Harp

A total of 120 credit hours is required and is designed to further the student's knowledge, practice, and experience on their major instrument in strings. To graduate, a student must earn a minimum grade-point average of 3.0 in all major courses and a minimum average of 2.0 in all course work.

Students will be studying with faculty members who are nationally and internationally recognized. Courses in music theory and musicology are part of the exploration of music as are private instruction, ensemble and chamber music opportunities. All students pursuing the B.M. degree will perform a senior recital on their primary instrument/voice. In addition, performance majors will also complete a junior recital and music composition majors will also give a music composition recital.

With this degree, students can go on to pursue graduate studies in music, establish private studios, audition for music ensembles, or create their own paths in music or music-related endeavors.

Ensemble Policy

In order to remain enrolled in studio instruction (lessons), all undergraduate (B.A. & B.M.) and M.M. students who enroll in any level of studio instruction (including nonmajor levels) in band and orchestral instruments must audition for and perform as assigned in a major instrumental ensemble¹ each semester in which they are enrolled. For music majors, 1 ensemble taken for credit each semester is required for graduation. Exceptions to this policy are allowed on a case-by-case basis and only by the ensemble conductor in consultation with the faculty member in the studio area or the faculty advisor in music therapy as appropriate.

¹ KU Symphony Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Marching Band, or Jazz Ensemble I.

Undergraduate Admission to the School of Music

First-year students should enter the school directly. Students may transfer to the school from other institutions or from other KU schools if they have at least a 2.75 GPA (on a 4.0 scale) and are eligible to return to the college or university last attended in addition to completing a successful audition. Other students can be admitted only with the permission of the dean. Send applications to the Office of Admissions (<http://admissions.ku.edu>). Visit the Office of International Recruitment and Undergraduate Admissions (<http://admissions.ku.edu/international/welcome>) for information about international admissions.

Students who wish to major in music must audition. All music students academically approved for admission to the School of Music are admitted contingent upon demonstration by audition of satisfactory level proficiency in their areas of applied music. Music audition information and application forms are available online (<http://music.ku.edu/applyaudition>). There is a limit of two times a prospective student may request an audition for entrance into one of the School's undergraduate degree programs. The second request must be within 12 months of the first and may be as

early as 1 month following the first audition. The limitation also applies to students within the School auditioning from one program into another.

Transfer Students

Students may transfer to the school from other institutions or from other KU schools if they have at least a 2.75 GPA (on a 4.0 scale), are eligible to return to the college or university last attended, and complete a successful audition. Only grades of C or higher are accepted in transfer credit toward degrees offered by the School of Music. Students who wish to transfer performance credit from another institution toward any music degree at KU must validate this credit by audition. Music audition information and application forms are available online (<http://music.ku.edu/applyaudition>). There is a limit of two times a prospective student may request an audition for entrance into one of the School's undergraduate degree programs. The second request must be within 12 months of the first and may be as early as 1 month following the first audition. The limitation also applies to students within the School auditioning from one program into another.

Music Theory Placement

The music theory placement examination is required of all undergraduate transfer students who have not completed a 4-semester theory sequence with an accredited NASM school. It is administered as announced on the School of Music website (<http://music.ku.edu/placement-exams>) each semester.

B.M. Degree Requirements for the Strings Major

A total of 120 hours is required for the degree in strings, distributed as follows:

Code	Title	Hours
Music Theory		
MTHC 105	Theory I	4
MTHC 115	Theory II	4
MTHC 205	Theory III	4
MTHC 315	Theory IV	4
MTHC 410	Form and Analysis	3
Upper division theory course (MTHC numbered 300 or above)		3
Musicology		
MUSC 320	Music History I	3
MUSC 340	Music History II	3
MUSC 440	Music History III	3
MUSC 480	Music History IV	3
Music Courses		
Applied music lessons: 8 semesters each for 3 credits, plus junior and senior recitals		25
COND 245	Conducting I	2
Piano (proficiency level of PIAN 284)		3
Orchestra: 8 semesters each for credit		8
Chamber music: 8 semesters each for credit		8
REC 100	Laboratory in Music Performance (4 semesters)	0
STRG 424	String Pedagogy: _____	1
Basic Courses		
ENGL 101	Composition (or any course that fulfills GE21)	3

ENGL 102	Critical Reading and Writing (or any course that fulfills GE21)	3
COMS 130	Speaker-Audience Communication (or any course that fulfills GE22)	3
MATH 101	College Algebra (or any course that fulfills GE12)	3
Natural Science: any course that fulfills GE3N		3
Social Science: any course that fulfills GE3S		3
Social/Ethics: any course that fulfills AE51 or AE52		3
Electives: 12 credits minimum must be in nonmusic courses		18
Violin majors must take 2 credits of viola lessons (VIOA 300) towards the 18 electives		
Total Hours		120

Freshman

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
ENGL 101	3 ENGL 102	3
MTHC 105	3 MTHC 115	3
MTHC 106	1 MTHC 116	1
PIAN 144 (considered remedial-does not count towards degree)	1 PIAN 148	1
REC 100	0 REC 100	0
121 Studio lessons	3 121 Studio lessons	3
ORCH 200	1 ORCH 200	1
CHAM 216	1 CHAM 216	1
MATH 101	3 Natural Science: any course that fulfills GE3N	3
	16	16

Sophomore

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
MTHC 205	4 COMS 130	3
MUSC 320	3 MTHC 315	4
PIAN 284	2 MUSC 340	3
REC 100	0 REC 100	0
221 Studio lessons	3 STRG 424	1
ORCH 200	1 221 Studio lessons	3
CHAM 216	1 ORCH 200	1
	CHAM 216	1
	14	16

Junior

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
MTHC 410	3 MUSC 480	3
MUSC 440	3 622 Studio lessons	3
622 Studio lessons	3 ORCH 600	1
ORCH 600	1 CHAM 336	1
CHAM 336	1 COND 245	2
Non-music elective	3 Non-music elective	3
Viola lessons if violin major, others take elective	2 Non-music elective	3
	16	16

Senior

Fall	Hours Spring	Hours
MTHC upper division elective (300+)	3 622 Studio lessons	3

622 Studio lessons	3 623 Senior Recital	1
ORCH 600	1 ORCH 600	1
CHAM 336	1 CHAM 336	1
Ethics: any course that fulfills AE51 or AE52	3 Social Science: any course that fulfills GE3S	3
Non-music elective	3 Elective(s) (music or non-music)	4
	14	13

Total Hours 121