Nebraska Wesleyan University

Music

Catalog

2015-2016

About the Program

General Information

Admission to status as a music major is by audition and interview, and all first year music students are tested for their competence in music theory to assess their background and to determine the level at which their theoretical courses should begin. Every effort is made to assign first year music students to classes with students of similar backgrounds.

The music programs are accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music:

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Reston, VA 20190-5248
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Ensembles

Each music major must participate in a large ensemble (University Band, Orchestra [strings only], or Choir) during each semester of full-time enrollment (except during student teaching). Assignment to a specific ensemble is made by the Director of Choral Activities for choral ensembles, the Director of Instrumental Studies for instrumental ensembles, and/or chair of the department. Participation in two ensembles may be required, according to the student's educational and professional plans. Any variation from this policy must be approved by the department chair.

Recital attendance

Experiencing a variety of live music is a vital part of one's education as a musician. Music majors (B.M. or B.A.) must attend 13 recitals per semester (except when student teaching) as described in the Music Major's Handbook in each semester of residence as a graduation requirement.

All music majors must enroll in and pass Music 55 (recitals) during each semester of full-time enrollment, with the exception of the semester of student teaching.

Recitals and Concerts

Candidates for the Bachelor of Music degree (Music Performance) are required to perform a partial or full recital in the junior year and a full recital in the senior year. Candidates for the Bachelor of Music degree (Music Education) are required to perform a partial or full recital in the senior year in addition to successful completion of student teaching. Bachelor of Arts candidates are required to present a partial or full recital in the senior year. With permission of the music faculty, Bachelor of Arts candidates may substitute a senior research project for the senior recital. Students must enroll in the appropriate applied music course for their major every semester until their senior recital requirement is completed. Permission for any student recital must be received from the music office and is contingent upon a satisfactory hearing by the recital committee. In addition to formal concerts and recitals by student soloists and university ensembles, the department presents opera/musical and opera workshop performances, department student recitals, and faculty solo and chamber music concerts.

Piano Proficiency

All music majors must pass a piano proficiency examination. Music education majors must pass piano proficiency before taking Music 230, 232, or 236. Music 80-83 (Piano Techniques) must be taken each semester of full-time enrollment until the

examination is passed. Any exception, allowing completion of the piano proficiency requirement through enrollment in applied piano lessons instead of enrollment in Music 80-83, is at the discretion of the piano faculty.

Instrument Proficiencies

Music Education majors must demonstrate performance proficiency and pedagogical competency in the areas listed with the requirements for each major emphasis. The proficiencies/competencies may be completed either through 1) enrolling and passing the corresponding techniques class, or 2) passing a proficiency/competency examination. Competencies must be completed before enrolling for student teaching. Exceptions are at the discretion of the chair of the Department of Music.

Musicianship Audits-Voice

Musicianship audits are a required part of spring semester juries for all voice majors. Components of the audits are: scales, chords, and sight-reading. Voice majors must pass the audits at a level of proficiency deemed appropriate by the individual student's applied voice teacher.

Student Teaching Prerequisites

Before enrolling in student teaching, all music education students must have successfully completed the appropriate method and technique courses in their degree program. Music education students must also complete 100 hours of field experience, pass the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST), and be accepted into the Teacher Education Program (TEP).

Classification of Music Courses

Music courses are classified into categories. Course descriptions are provided in numerical order immediately following the classified listing.

Applied Music

The term "applied music" refers to private instruction in any instrument (including voice). Primary consideration is given to the principles of performance and literature of that instrument. All music majors, regardless of the degree program, must designate a major instrument. Non-music majors may take no more than 1 credit hour in applied music in any instrument in a semester. Students pursuing the Bachelor of Music degree with a music performance major must carry 3 credit hours per semester in their major instrument all four years. Applied music may not be taken Pass/Fail. Any exceptions must be approved by the department chair.

Credit

Credit for applied music instruction is given as follows:

- 3 credit hours (major instruments only) for two 30-minute lessons per week. A minimum of three hours daily practice and participation in department recitals are required.
- 2 credit hours (major instrument only) for two 30-minute lessons per week. Two hours daily practice and participation in department recitals are required.
- 1 credit hour for one 30-minute lesson per week. One hour daily practice is required.

Registration

Students may register for one of three levels in applied music courses, numbered as follows:

- 61-79: All first year students or any other students registering for the first or second semester of an instrument except by permission of the department chair.
- 161-179: Any student registering for the third or fourth semester of an instrument.
- 261-279: Any student registering for the fifth semester or more of an instrument.

Courses may be repeated. *Prerequisite*: Music majors must have completed the sophomore interview in order to enroll in Music 261-279. No Pass/Fail.

Course numbers for applied music are as follows. Each course is offered for 1, 2, or 3 credit hours. Only music majors may register for more than 1 credit hour.

61, 161, 261 Piano
62, 162, 262 Organ
63, 163, 263 Harpsichord
64, 164, 264 Voice
65, 165, 265 Flute
66, 166, 266 Oboe
67, 167, 267 Clarinet
68, 168, 268 Saxophone
69, 169, 269 Bassoon
70, 170, 270 French Horn
71, 171, 271 Trumpet
72, 172, 272 Trombone and Baritone
73, 173, 273 Tuba
74, 174, 274 Percussion
75, 175, 275 Guitar
76, 176, 276 Violin
77, 177, 277 Viola
78, 178, 278 Cello
79, 179, 179 String Bass

Ensembles

Students participating in any ensemble must register for the course. Courses may be repeated. Those not wishing to receive academic credit should register for zero credit. In any case, a grade will be recorded on the student's transcript. Ensembles may not be taken Pass/Fail.

40. Lincoln Civic Choir
41. University Choir
42. University Orchestra
43. University Band
44. Women's Choir
45. Men's Glee Club
46. Chamber Music Ensembles
47. Touch of Class Jazz Choir
48. Prairie Wolves Pep Band
49. Jazz Ensemble
50. Opera Workshop
51. Opera - Musical
52. Chamber Singers
55. Recitals

Music Theory and Composition

1. Fundamentals of Music Theory
2. Theory II
3. Fundamentals of Basic Musicianship
4. Basic Musicianship II
101. Theory III
102. Theory IV
103. Basic Musicianship III
105. Music Technology
130. Intro to Jazz Improvisation
201. Arranging and Instrumentation
203. Counterpoint
204. Counterpoint II
205. Composition I
206. Composition II
207. Form Analysis

Music History and Literature

12. American Music
13. Music Appreciation
140. African-American Music
150. Introduction to World Music
160. Music of Women Composers
213. Medieval and Renaissance Music
214. Baroque and Classic Music
215. Music Since 1800
220. Introduction to Vocal Literature

Music Education

80. Piano Techniques I
81. Piano Techniques II
82. Piano Techniques III
83. Piano Techniques IV
85. Woodwind Techniques
88. Brass Techniques
87. String Techniques
88. Percussion Techniques
89. Guitar Techniques
121. Music Methods and Material for Elementary Teachers
180. Computers and Technology for the Musician and the Music Educator
225. Conducting I
226. Conducting II
227. Advanced Conducting - Vocal
228. Advanced Conducting - Instrumental
229. Marching Band Techniques
230. Elementary General Music Methods
232. Secondary Vocal Music Methods
236. Public School Music - Instrumental
239. Singer's Diction
240. Piano Pedagogy
241. Vocal Pedagogy
242. Organ Pedagogy
243. Brass Pedagogy
244. Woodwind Pedagogy
245. Percussion Pedagogy

Majors, Minors & Degrees

Majors

1. Music (B.A.)
2. Music Education, Combination (B.M.)
3. Music Education, Instrumental (B.M.)
4. Music Education, Vocal (B.M.)
5. Music Performance (B.M.)

Minors

1. Music

Courses

MUSIC 1000 Recitals

0 hours

No credit.
Pass/Fail only.

MUSIC 1010 Lincoln Choral Artists

0-1 hours

Large choral ensemble open to college and community members. Not available to fulfill the large ensemble requirement for music majors.
Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition.
(Offered each semester with full year enrollment expectation.)

MUSIC 1020 University Choir

0-1 hours

Large ensemble.
Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition.
(Offered each semester with full year enrollment expectation.)

MUSIC 1030 Lincoln Civic Orchestra

0-1 hours

Counts as large ensemble only for students with strings as their primary instrument.
Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1040 University Band

0-1 hours

Large ensemble.
Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1050 Women's Choir

0-1 hours

Large ensemble.
Prerequisite(s): Admission by permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1060 Men's Glee Club

0-1 hours

Large ensemble.
Prerequisite(s): Admission by permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1070 Chamber Music Ensembles

0-1 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1080 Touch of Class Jazz Choir

0-1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition.
(Offered each semester with full year enrollment expectation.)

MUSIC 1090 Prairie Wolves Pep Band

0-1 hours

The Prairie Wolves Pep Band provides musical entertainment at various Nebraska Wesleyan University football and basketball events on campus. The music played in the pep band includes examples from swing, jazz, classic rock and roll, and other appropriate genres.

MUSIC 1100 Jazz Ensemble

0-1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1110 Opera Workshop

0-1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Admission by permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered alternate fall semesters.)

MUSIC 1120 Opera - Musical

0-1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition of permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered alternate fall semesters)

MUSIC 1130 Chamber Singers

0-1 hours

Prerequisite(s): Admission by audition.
(Offered each semester with full year enrollment expectation.)

MUSIC 1200 Piano

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1210 Organ

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1220 Harpsichord

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1230 Voice

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1240 Flute

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1250 Oboe

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1260 Clarinet

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1270 Saxophone

1-3 hours

See department for course description

MUSIC 1280 Bassoon

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1290 French Horn

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1300 Trumpet

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1310 Trombone and Baritone

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1320 Tuba

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1330 Percussion

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1340 Guitar

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1350 Violin

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1360 Viola

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1370 Cello

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1380 String Bass

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 1500 Piano Techniques I

1 hour

Class instruction in piano with emphasis on the function of the keyboard as a teaching tool.

MUSIC 1510 Piano Techniques II

1 hour

Continuation of MUSIC 1500 Piano Techniques I.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1500 Piano Techniques I or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1520 Piano Techniques III

1 hour

Continuation of MUSIC 1510 Piano Techniques II.
May be repeated.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1510 Piano Techniques II or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1530 Piano Techniques IV

1 hour

Continuation of MUSIC 1520 Piano Techniques III.
May be repeated.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1520 Piano Techniques III or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1540 Woodwind Techniques

1 hour

Class instruction on all woodwind instruments with emphasis on performance and teaching techniques. Students will develop proficiency on three woodwind instruments.

MUSIC 1550 Brass Techniques

1 hour

Class instruction on all brass instruments with emphasis on performance and teaching techniques. Students will develop proficiency on three brass instruments.

MUSIC 1560 String Techniques

1 hour

Class instruction in violin, viola, cello, and bass with emphasis on performance and teaching techniques.

MUSIC 1570 Percussion Techniques

1 hour

Class instruction in the performance and teaching techniques of percussion instruments.

MUSIC 1580 Guitar Techniques

1 hour

Class instruction in the performance and teaching techniques of guitar.

MUSIC 1590FYW Introduction to Music Education

2 hours

This course is the first Music Education course students will take in the professional sequence of music teacher education at Nebraska Wesleyan University. The purpose of the course is to introduce students to the music classroom and the issues, requirements, and duties of classroom music teachers.

MUSIC 1610 Fundamentals of Music Theory

3 hours

A review of the fundamentals of music (scales, key signatures, intervals) and the presentation of triads and their harmonic and melodic implications.

MUSIC 1620 Fundamentals of Basic Musicianship

1 hour

A graded course in the fundamentals of sight-singing; sight-reading, and ear training. Exercises in rhythm; meter; clef-reading; scales; intervals; error correction; singing of single melodies; duets and simple harmonic patterns; drills in rhythmic and melodic coordination; and rhythmic, melodic, and elementary harmonic dictation.
Pre or corequisite(s): MUSIC 1610 Fundamentals of Music Theory.

MUSIC 1630 Theory II

3 hours

A continuation of Theory I including inversions of triads, non-harmonic tones, dominant seventh chords, and their resolutions. Emphasis is on four-part writing and analysis of music from the Common Practice Period.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1610 Fundamentals of Music Theory or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1640 Basic Musicianship II

1 hour

Continuation of MUSIC 1620 Fundamentals of Basic Musicianship.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1620 Fundamentals of Basic Musicianship or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1700 Music Technology, Introduction to Music Technology

1 hour

An introduction to basic Macintosh computer operation, MIDI and synthesis, sequencing and notation software, and basic use of the internet. The course may be repeated.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1630 Theory II or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1800 Music Appreciation

3 hours

An introduction to the art of music with emphasis on aural skills, historical styles, musical forms, and the general literature of music. Not open to music majors.
(Normally offered alternate fall semesters)

MUSIC 1900 Selected Topics

1-5 hours

A course designed to treat subject matter not covered in other departmental courses or to provide intermediate-level study of subject matter introduced in other courses. The title, content, and credit will be determined by current mutual interests of students and faculty.

MUSIC 1950 Independent Study

1-4 hours

This is a research course. The student initially meets with the department chair to select a study topic and review research methods. At this time the student will be assigned a faculty resource person to guide his or her work and assist in an advisory capacity. A copy of the student's work is filed in the archives for the department. Independent study may not duplicate courses

described in the catalog.
Prerequisite(s): Senior standing or permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 1960 Special Projects

1-15 hours

Supervised individual projects for students on topics selected by the student in consultation with the instructor. Special Projects may not duplicate courses described in the catalog.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 1970 Internship

1-8 hours

An on-the-job experience oriented toward the student's major interest. The student is to secure a position in an organization that satisfies the mutual interests of the instructor, the sponsor, and the student.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 2200 Piano

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2210 Organ

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2220 Harpsichord

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2230 Voice

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2240 Flute

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2250 Oboe

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2260 Clarinet

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2270 Saxophone

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2280 Bassoon

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2290 French Horn

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2300 Trumpet

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2310 Trombone and Baritone

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2320 Tuba

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2330 Percussion

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2340 Guitar

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2350 Violin

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2360 Viola

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2370 Cello

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2380 String Bass

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 2400 Introduction to Vocal Literature

1 hour

A general survey/overview of music written for the solo voice from 1600 to the present. The development and transformation of song style throughout the Baroque, Classical, Romantic, and Modern eras will be traced through listening assignments, lectures, and student presentations of specific composers and songs. Other selected topics will be covered, which may include: repertoire selection and programming for recitals and other occasions (weddings, funerals, church, etc.), poetic analysis, performance preparation, song study techniques, memorization, song translation, acting for the singer, and research techniques.
Prerequisite(s): 4 semesters of Applied Voice or permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered spring semesters in odd numbered years.)

MUSIC 2410 Singer's Diction

1 hour

A study of the phonetics and pronunciation of the international phonetic alphabet (IPA) and languages appropriate to the singer.
Prerequisite(s): Music major, two semesters of private voice study, and/or permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered each fall semester.)

MUSIC 2420 Vocal Pedagogy

1 hour

This course introduces a systematic pedagogical approach to the study of voice production for use in the studio or classroom. Students examine basic anatomy and physiology, vocal health, and other topics relevant to voice teaching. Students will apply these concepts through supervised teaching experiences both in and out of class.
Prerequisite(s): Four semesters of college voice study or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2430 Piano Pedagogy

1 hour

A study of teaching techniques, method books, and repertoire for the novice piano teacher.
Prerequisite(s): Four semesters of college piano study or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2440 Organ Pedagogy

1 hour

A study of materials and pedagogy of the organ.
Prerequisite(s): Four semesters of college organ study or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2450 Brass Pedagogy

1 hour

A study of materials and pedagogy of brass instruments.
Prerequisite(s): Four semesters of college brass study or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2460 Woodwind Pedagogy

1 hour

A study of materials and pedagogy of woodwind instruments.
Prerequisite(s): Four semesters of college woodwind study or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2470 Percussion Pedagogy

1 hour

A study of materials and pedagogy of percussion instruments.
Prerequisite(s): Four semesters of college percussion study or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2500 Conducting I

2 hours

An introduction to technique and conducting style with emphasis given to developing a nonbaton competency. Attention also will be given to vocal interpretation and choral score reading.
Prerequisite(s): Sophomore standing or permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered each fall semester.)

MUSIC 2510 Conducting II

2 hours

Continuation of MUSIC 2500 Conducting I with emphasis on instrumental pedagogy, principles of instrumental transcription, orchestration, instrumental ranges and idiomatic characteristics, and score preparation.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2500 Conducting I or permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered each spring semester.)

MUSIC 2520 Music Methods and Materials for Elementary Teachers

2 hours

A study of the theoretical materials of music and the methods of teaching music in the elementary schools. Intended primarily for elementary education majors and not open to music majors.
Prerequisite(s): Sophomore standing or permission of the instructor.
Cross-listed with EDUC 2520 Music Methods and Materials for Elementary Teachers

MUSIC 2530 Introduction to Jazz Improvisation

1 hour

Explores jazz improvisation with an emphasis on jazz chords/scale relationships taught from the keyboard. Includes jazz solo transcriptions and small group improvisation.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1630 Theory II or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2610 Theory III

3 hours

Seventh chords, including the diminished seventh chord; various types of modulation; introduction of secondary dominants; analysis and writing of the period, binary, and ternary song forms; choral harmonization; and modal scales.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1630 Theory II or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2620 Basic Musicianship III

1 hour

A review of advanced sight-reading and ear training, drills in more complex rhythmic and melodic materials including chromatic formations, and increased emphasis on individual part-singing and harmonic dictation.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 1640 Basic Musicianship II or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2630 Theory IV

3 hours

This course examines the development of new concepts and theories of music that led to significant departures from standard musical practices and ideals. Students will explore twentieth century pitch resources, and contrast late tonal techniques and styles of composers such as Debussy, Ives, Messiaen, Stravinsky, Schoenberg, Webern and more. Analysis of specific works will promote discussions, tracing theoretical paths that led to the development of post tonal and avant-garde music. The content is designed to:

1. Widen your knowledge of, appreciation for, and ability to identify, describe, and critically assess musical works in light of the innovative ideas that led to their creation.
2. Give you a sophisticated understanding of the cultural, aesthetic, and stylistic relevance of these works in order to better comprehend the historical impact of radical departures from the norm.
3. To practically apply your knowledge of musical elements in order to create informed and appropriate musical interpretations within the body of music that forms your own repertoire.
4. To introduce you to the oral expression of your music in the style of a professional lecture presentation, so that you can improve your skills in verbally describing music and musical analysis.

Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2610 Theory III

MUSIC 2700 Computers and Technology for the Musician and the Music Educator

2 hours

The course is offered to explore the essential topics a musician should consider when using computers and technology - whether for the purpose of listening, performing, composing, or teaching. Covering subjects ranging from music CAI (Computer Assisted Instruction) and desktop publishing to notation sequencing and MIDI and multimedia and CD audio, this course is designed as an introductory undergraduate course devoted to computers as applied to music technology for the musician and music educator.

MUSIC 2710 African-American Music

3 hours

A study of the history of African Americans in the United States, as seen through their musical life, and the place of black concert, popular, and folk music in African American society.
(Normally offered each spring semester.)

MUSIC 2800 American Music

3 hours

The entire range of American folk, popular, and art musical styles, and the history of music in the United States since the beginning of European settlement in Florida in 1565 will be presented.
(Normally offered alternate fall semesters.)

MUSIC 2810 World Music Cultures

3 hours

Key cultural concepts are used to explore music from selected global case studies. Social, cultural, and historical contexts are examined in relation to musical materials and their application in various traditions and repertoires.
Prerequisite(s): Sophomore standing and permission from instructor.

MUSIC 2820 Film Music

3 hours

This course will provide an overview of the uses and meanings of music in the development of film during the past century. It will examine the many different ways that directors, composers, and musicians applied music to the moving image during this period and how music has come to impact the film experience since the introduction of sound.

MUSIC 2830 Music and Gender

3 hours

From Hildegard von Bingen to Nicki Minaj, this course examines the ways in which social constructions of gender have shaped the interpretation, reception, and historical narratives of popular, classical, and traditional music styles. Through historiography and musical analysis, we will discuss systems of domination and subordination along with stereotyped and biased assumptions about women and men pertinent to the music of specific cultures and time periods.
Cross-listed with GEND 2830 Music and Gender.

MUSIC 2850 Sex and the Arts

3 hours

Including films, music videos, and musicals this course examines varied depictions of sexualities in the arts (defined broadly), especially those that intersect with music. Students will also discuss the ways in which social constructs of gender have shaped those works and their reception. By analyzing specific pieces we will discuss systems of domination and subordination along with stereotyped and biased assumptions about women, men, and individuals across the gender spectrum.

MUSIC 2900 Selected Topics

1-4 hours

A topical course designed to investigate relevant subject matter not included in any standard courses. The title and the content will be determined by current mutual interests of students and faculty. This course may be offered to meet a requirement for a major only by approval of the department chair.

MUSIC 2950 Independent Study

1-4 hours

This is a research course. The student initially meets with the department chair to select a study topic and review research methods. At this time the student will be assigned a faculty resource person to guide his or her work and assist in an advisory capacity. A copy of the student's work is filed in the archives for the department. Independent study may not duplicate courses described in the catalog.
Prerequisite(s): Senior standing or permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 2960 Special Projects

1-15 hours

Supervised individual projects for students on topics selected by the student in consultation with the instructor. Special Projects may not duplicate courses described in the catalog.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 2970 Internship

1-8 hours

An on-the-job experience oriented toward the student’s major interest. The student is to secure a position in an organization that satisfies the mutual interests of the instructor, the sponsor, and the student.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 3200 Piano

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3210 Organ

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3220 Harpsichord

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3230 Voice

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3240 Flute

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3250 Oboe

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3260 Clarinet

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3270 Saxophone

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3280 Bassoon

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3290 French Horn

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3300 Trumpet

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3310 Trombone and Baritone

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3320 Tuba

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3330 Percussion

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3340 Guitar

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3350 Violin

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3360 Viola

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3370 Cello

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3380 String Bass

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 3500 Advanced Conducting - Vocal

2 hours

A study of advanced conducting techniques adapted to individual student need. Emphasis will be placed on an in-depth study of choral style, literature, and various philosophies of choral singing.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2510 Conducting II or permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered each spring semester.)

MUSIC 3510 Advanced Conducting - Instrumental

2 hours

A study of the advanced conducting techniques as applied to the needs of the student (i.e., band directing, orchestral conducting, and others).
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2510 Conducting II or permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered each fall semester.)

MUSIC 3520 Marching Band Techniques

2 hours

A survey of the organization, rehearsal, and production of shows for the marching band.
(Normally offered each fall semester.)

MUSIC 3530 Public School Music - Instrumental

2 hours

A survey of teaching instrumental music in the public schools. Emphasis is on administration, organization, repertoire, and the philosophy of music as a public school subject.
Prerequisite(s): Acceptance in the Teacher Education Program or by permission of the chair of the Department of Education. Must have passed piano proficiency.
(Normally offered each fall semester.)

MUSIC 3540 Elementary General Music Methods

3 hours

A survey of teaching vocal music in the elementary school (grades K-6). Emphasis is on methods, materials, and the philosophy of music as a public school subject.
Prerequisite(s): Acceptance in the Teacher Education Program or by permission of the chair of the Department of Education. Must have passed piano proficiency and PPST exam.

MUSIC 3550 Secondary Vocal Music Methods

3 hours

A survey of teaching vocal music in the secondary schools (grades 7-12). Emphasis is on administration, organization, rehearsal procedures, materials, and the philosophy of music as a public school subject.
Prerequisite(s): Acceptance in the Teacher Education Program or by permission of the chair of the Department of Education. Must have passed piano proficiency and PPST exam.

MUSIC 3610 Arranging and Instrumentation

2 hours

The study of arranging techniques for instrumental and vocal ensembles, including the ranges and capabilities of instruments and voices and scoring procedures.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2630 Theory IV.
(Normally offered each fall semester.)

MUSIC 3620 Form and Analysis

2 hours

A historical and analytical study of musical forms.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2630 Theory IV.

MUSIC 3630 Composition I

2 hours

Beginning composition in small forms for voice, piano, and small instrumental groups. May be repeated one time.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2630 Theory IV or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 3810 Music History and Literature I: Antiquity to 1700

4 hours

This course provides a rigorous and detailed examination of the development of ideas and styles in the Western musical tradition from the middle ages through the 18th century, and also explores the relationships between the music and the history and culture of Europe and America. The course is designed to widen your knowledge of Western musical repertoire dating from the middle ages through the 18th century; address relevant performance practice issues; and give you a sophisticated understanding of the cultural, aesthetic, and stylistic aspects of that music.

MUSIC 3820 Music History and Literature II: 1700-1900

4 hours

Survey of Western music from the early 18th century to the late 19th century, focusing on distinctive features of musical styles, forms, and genres. Social and cultural contexts are examined in relation to musical materials and their application within specific repertoires.

Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2610 Theory III and MUSIC 2810 World Music Cultures; or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 3830 Music History: Gender and Sexuality

4 hours

This course provides a rigorous and detailed examination of select pieces across the Western music tradition related to gender and/or sexuality, and also explores the relationships between music, history, and culture. Through historiography and musical analysis, we will discuss systems of domination and subordination along with stereotyped and biased assumptions about women and men pertinent to the music of specific cultures and time periods. The course is designed to: 1) provide students with a foundational knowledge of key genres and social/cultural background from different historical periods across the Western music tradition; 2) give students a sophisticated understanding of the cultural, aesthetic, stylistic, and performance practice issues related to select pieces, using scholarly articles, source readings, and stylistic analysis (scoring, dynamics, rhythm, melody, harmony, texture, form).
Prerequisite(s): Junior standing and permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 3840 Music History: The Environment

4 hours

Through historiography and musical analysis this course provides a rigorous and detailed examination of select pieces across the Western music tradition related to the environment, and also explores the relationships between music, history, and culture. Focusing on works that engage the environment, the course content is designed to provide students with a foundational knowledge of key genres and social/cultural background from different historical periods across the Western music tradition; and give students a sophisticated understanding of the cultural, aesthetic, stylistic, and performance practice issues related to select pieces, using scholarly articles, source readings, and stylistic analysis (scoring, dynamics, rhythm, melody, harmony, texture, form).
Prerequisite(s): Junior standing and permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 3900 Selected Topics

1-4 hours

A topical course designed to investigate relevant subject matter not included in any standard courses. The title and the content will be determined by current mutual interests of students and faculty. This course may be offered to meet a requirement for a major only by approval of the department chair.

MUSIC 3950 Independent Study

1-4 hours

This is a research course. The student initially meets with the department chair to select a study topic and review research methods. At this time the student will be assigned a faculty resource person to guide his or her work and assist in an advisory capacity. A copy of the student's work is filed in the archives for the department. Independent study may not duplicate courses described in the catalog.
Prerequisite(s): Senior standing or permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 3960 Special Projects

1-15 hours

Supervised individual projects for students on topics selected by the student in consultation with the instructor. Special Projects may not duplicate courses described in the catalog.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 3970 Internship

1-8 hours

An on-the-job experience oriented toward the student's major interest. The student is to secure a position in an organization that satisfies the mutual interests of the instructor, the sponsor, and the student.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 4200 Piano

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4210 Organ

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4220 Harpsichord

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4230 Voice

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4240 Flute

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4250 Oboe

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4260 Clarinet

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4270 Saxophone

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4280 Bassoon

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4290 French Horn

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4300 Trumpet

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4310 Trombone and Baritone

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4320 Tuba

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4330 Percussion

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4340 Guitar

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4350 Violin

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4360 Viola

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4370 Cello

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4380 String Bass

1-3 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4610 Counterpoint

2 hours

Two-part counterpoint based on styles developed in the sixteenth and eighteenth centuries, beginning with the five species, followed by canon and invention. Invertible counterpoint.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 2360 Viola or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 4620 Counterpoint II

2 hours

This course will continue the study of 18th-century counterpoint in a 3-voice texture and will extend to various styles from the 20th century. Students who have taken Counterpoint I will build on their knowledge of 2-voice texture of 16th- and 18th- century counterpoint. They will be expected to write a 3-voice invention in 18th-century style, and will experiment writing counterpoint in 20th-century style, such as that of Hindemith.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 4610 Counterpoint.

MUSIC 4630 Composition II

2 hours

Continuation of MUSIC 3630 Composition I with emphasis on large forms, choral, and orchestral composition. May be repeated one time.
Prerequisite(s): MUSIC 3630 Composition I or permission of the instructor.

MUSIC 4900 Selected Topics

1-5 hours

A course designed to treat subject matter not covered in other departmental courses or to provide advanced study of subject matter introduced in other courses. The title, content, and credit will be determined by current mutual interests of students and faculty.
Prerequisite(s): To be determined.

MUSIC 4910 Directed Readings

1-6 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4940 Senior Recital

1 hour

Final performance demonstrating the ability of performance or other music majors.
Prerequisite(s): Permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 4950 Independent Study

1-12 hours

Individual study of a specific music topic under the supervision of a staff member. Independent study may not duplicate courses described in the catalog.

Prerequisite(s): Permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 4960 Special Projects

1-15 hours

See department for course description.

MUSIC 4970 Music Internship

1-8 hours

An on-the-job training situation to satisfy the mutual interests of the department, the sponsor, and the student.
Pass/Fail only.
Prerequisite(s): Senior standing and permission of the department chair.

MUSIC 4980 Senior Capstone Seminar

2 hours

Advanced research methods, analytical writing, and professional presentation skills compromise the primary components of this rigorous culminating course, which focuses on the integration and application of knowledge and prepares students for the transition from their undergraduate education into their future profession. The Senior Capstone Seminar should be taken during the student's last year in residence at Nebraska Wesleyan University.
Prerequisite(s): Music major with senior standing or permission of the instructor.
(Normally offered each fall semester.)

MUSIC 4990 Senior Project

0-4 hours

Independent field research for all majors.

MUSIC 5960 Vocal Methods for Young Voices

3 hours

An intensive five day workshop for elementary and middle school teachers involving children's choir literature and vocal pedagogy, conducting and musicianship.