

This roadmap is a recommended semester-by-semester plan of study for this major. However, courses and milestones designed as critical (!) must be completed in the semester listed to ensure a timely graduation.

Critical	Course Subject and Title	Credit Hours	Min. Grade	Major GPA	Attribute	Notes
Semester One [14 Credits]						
!	MUS 11121 Theory I	4	C	■		
!	MUS 22111 The Understanding of Music (music major section)	3	C	■	KFA	
!	MUS 36xxx Applied Music ¹ or MUS 31211 Composition ¹ or MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship ¹	2	C	■		
!	Major Ensemble ² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble ²	1	C	■		
	UC 10097 Destination Kent State: First Year Experience ³	1				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
Semester Two [16 Credits]						
!	MUS 11122 Theory II	4	C	■		
!	MUS 22121 Music as a World Phenomenon (music major section)	3	C	■	DG/KFA	
!	MUS 36xxx Applied Music ¹ or MUS 31211 Composition ¹ or MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship ¹	2	C	■		
!	Major Ensemble ² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble ²	1	C	■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
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Semester Three [16 Credits]						
!	MUS 21111 Theory III	4	C	■		
!	MUS 36xxx Applied Music ¹ or MUS 31211 Composition ¹ or MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship ¹	2	C	■		
!	Major Ensemble ² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble ²	1	C	■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Non Music Electives	3				
Semester Four [14-15 Credits]						
!	MUS 21112 Theory IV	4	C	■		
!	MUS 36xxx Applied Music ¹ or MUS 31211 Composition ¹ or MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship ¹	2	C	■		
!	Major Ensemble ² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble ²	1	C	■		
	Piano Class ⁴	1-2	C	■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Non Music Electives	3				
Semester Five [14-15 Credits]						
!	MUS 21341 Commercial Music Theory and Composition	3	C	■		
!	MUS 36xxx Applied Music ¹ or MUS 31211 Composition ¹ or MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship ¹	2	C	■		
!	Major Ensemble ² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble ²	1	C	■		
	MUS 34111 Introduction to Conducting	2	C	■		
	Piano Class ⁴	0-1	C	■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Non Music Electives	3				
Semester Six [15 Credits]						
!	MUS 36xxx Applied Music ¹ or MUS 31211 Composition ¹ or MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship ¹	2	C	■		
!	TECH 31000 Cultural Dynamics of Technology	3	C	■		
!	Major Ensemble ² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble ²	1	C	■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Non Music Electives	6				

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Semester Seven [16 Credits]						
!	Major Ensemble² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble²	1	C	■		
	MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship (Senior Recital) (2) or MUS 48598 Music Research (2) or MUS 36xxx Applied Music (Senior Recital) (2)	2	C	■	ELR	
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Non Music Electives	10				
Semester Eight [14 Credits]						
Successful completion of a major-field achievement test in music history and music theory						
!	Major Ensemble² or MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble²	1	C	■		
	Kent Core Requirement	3				
	Non Music Electives	10				

Graduation Requirements Summary

Minimum Total Hours	Minimum Upper-Division Hours 30000 – 40000 level course	Minimum Kent Core Hours	Minimum	
			Major GPA	Overall GPA
120	39	36	2.250	2.000

- Applied Music: 2 semesters and 4 credit hours of Applied Music and 8 credits of either MUS 31211 Composition or MUS 36913 Applied Studio Musicianship are required.
One semester of MUS 21211 Introduction to Composition can replace one semester of 31211. Based on instrument of music degree acceptance. The 46000 level may be taken following a successful 46000-level barrier exam. Students must meet the 46000 entry level prior to graduation.

Choose from the following:

MUS 36111 Applied Music-Piano (2)	MUS 36514 Applied Music-Bassoon (2)
MUS 36311 Applied Music-Voice (2)	MUS 36515 Applied Music-Saxophone (2)
MUS 36411 Applied Music-Violin (2)	MUS 36611 Applied Music-Trumpet (2)
MUS 36412 Applied Music-Viola (2)	MUS 36612 Applied Music-Horn (2)
MUS 36413 Applied Music-Cello (2)	MUS 36613 Applied Music-Trombone (2)
MUS 36414 Applied Music-Double Bass (2)	MUS 36614 Applied Music-Euphonium (2)
MUS 36511 Applied Music-Flute (2)	MUS 36615 Applied Music-Tuba (2)
MUS 36512 Applied Music-Oboe (2)	MUS 36711 Applied Music-Percussion (2)
MUS 36513 Applied Music-Clarinet (2)	MUS 36912 Applied Music-Guitar (2) *

* MUS 36912 Applied Music-Guitar is only available at the Stark Campus.

- Major ensemble (4 separate semester of major ensemble are required and 4 separate semesters of MUS 35213 Studio Ensemble): Students must enroll in a major ensemble appropriate to their major performance area. MUS 25011 University Chorus and MUS 25225 University Band can be used for major ensemble credit.

Choose from the following:

MUS 45111 University Choir (1)	MUS 45143 Women's Chorus (1)
MUS 45121 Kent Chorus (1)	MUS 45212 Orchestra (1)
MUS 45141 Kent State University Chorale (1)	MUS 45221 Concert Band (1)
MUS 45142 Men's Chorus (1)	MUS 45223 Wind Ensemble (1)

- UC 10097 is not required of transfer students with 25 credits (excluding College Credit Plus) or students age 21+ at time of admission.
- Piano Class (2 credit hours): placement test required. Students who have piano as their main instrument and students placed into Applied Music-Piano replace with music (MUS) electives.

Choose from the following:

MUS 17111 Piano Class (1)	MUS 27111 Piano Class (2)
MUS 17112 Piano Class (1)	MUS 27112 Piano Class (2)

University Requirements: Bachelor's degree-seeking students must meet Kent Core (general education requirements), diversity, writing-intensive and experiential learning requirements. For more information about these requirements, please read the following sections in the University Catalog: Kent Core – www.kent.edu/catalog/kent-core; Diversity Course Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/diversity; Writing-Intensive Course Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/wic; Experiential Learning Requirement – www.kent.edu/catalog/elr.

Attribute Legend: **DD** Diversity–Domestic; **DG** Diversity–Global; **ELR** Experiential Learning; **KAD** Kent Core Additional; **KBS** Kent Core Basic Sciences; **KCM** Kent Core Composition; **KFA** Kent Core Fine Arts; **KHU** Kent Core Humanities; **KMC** Kent Core Mathematics and Critical Reasoning; **KSS** Kent Core Social Sciences; **WIC** Writing Intensive