

MUSIC MINOR

For those students interested in a formal, cohesive music curriculum but who are not interested in music as a major, a Music minor (<https://www.biola.edu/degrees/u/music-minor/>) is available. The Music minor requires 21 credits, at least 6 of which must be upper-division.

GPA Requirements

Students must maintain a 2.0 GPA in the minor and receive a minimum grade of "C" in each required music course.

Curriculum Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
Program Courses		
MUSC 118	Keyboard Skills I ¹	1
or MUSC 261	Keyboard Sight Reading I	
MUSC 145	Applied Music ²	4
MUSC 153	Musicianship I ³	1
MUSC 154	Theory I ⁴	3
MUSC 160	Essential Technologies for Musicians I	1
or MUSC 170	Essential Technologies for Musicians II	
MUSC 200	Performing Arts Forum ⁵	2
MUSC 275	Music Area Seminar ⁶	0
Ensemble Courses ⁷		
Select 2 credits of ensemble, as appropriate to applied principal, from the following:		2
MUSC 001	Biola Chorale	
MUSC 002	Chamber Music Ensemble	
MUSC 003	Symphony Orchestra	
MUSC 007	Jazz Ensemble	
MUSC 008	Symphonic Winds	
MUSC 010	Vocal Jazz Ensemble	
MUSC 011	University Chorus	
MUSC 012	Women's Chorus	
MUSC 013	Worship and Popular Music Ensemble	
MUSC 014	Men's Chorus	
MUSC 390	Opera Theatre	
Select 7 credits from the following electives: ⁷		7
MUSC 001	Biola Chorale ⁸	
or MUSC 002	Chamber Music Ensemble	
or MUSC 003	Symphony Orchestra	
or MUSC 007	Jazz Ensemble	
or MUSC 008	Symphonic Winds	
or MUSC 010	Vocal Jazz Ensemble	
or MUSC 011	University Chorus	
or MUSC 012	Women's Chorus	
or MUSC 013	Worship and Popular Music Ensemble	
or MUSC 014	Men's Chorus	
or MUSC 390	Opera Theatre	
MUSC 160	Essential Technologies for Musicians I	

or MUSC 170	Essential Technologies for Musicians II
MUSC 163	Musicianship II
MUSC 164	Theory II
MUSC 200	Performing Arts Forum ⁸
MUSC 314	History of Film Music
MUSC 356	Music Education: Brass
MUSC 357	Music Education: Percussion
MUSC 358	Music Education: Strings
MUSC 359	Music Education: Woodwinds
Total Credits	21

- ¹ MUSC 118 is for non-keyboard minors. Students may opt to take the Keyboard Placement Survey or will automatically be placed in the introductory-level course (MUSC 100). If Piano is your primary instrument, enroll in MUSC 261.
- ² Must take 4 credits in principal instrument, composition or voice, through proficiency level 264. Sophomore B.A. music degree proficiency required. See Conservatory Office for standards description.
- ³ Students may take the Musicianship Placement Survey to potentially pass out of some or all of the Musicianship requirements. Students who do not take the survey will automatically be placed in MUSC 153 Musicianship I. Musicianship courses already taken at the college/university level will directly transfer for credit.
- ⁴ Students may take the Theory Placement Survey to potentially pass out of some or all of their Theory requirements. Students who do not take the survey will automatically be placed in MUSC 098 Introduction to Theory. The first two semesters of Written Theory courses already taken at the college/university level will directly transfer for credit.
- ⁵ Two semesters required.
- ⁶ Taken every semester in conjunction with MUSC 145 Applied Music.
- ⁷ Between ensembles and MUSC electives, at least 6 credits must be upper-division.
- ⁸ Must be taken an additional time for credit.