

BACHELOR OF MUSIC (BMUS) - MUSIC EDUCATION PROFILE

The School of Music at the University of Ottawa is one of the country's leading music schools. It is the ideal place to nurture your passion for all things musical and to pursue the rigorous training needed for an active and successful career in the field. We maintain close ties with renowned institutions such as the National Arts Centre (NAC) and the Ottawa Symphony Orchestra. Our program boasts state-of-the-art music facilities and internationally recognized professors who perform around the globe and publish in leading academic journals. We are a full-service music school offering programs in performance, composition, music education, piano pedagogy, theory and musicology.

Although any of our programs can pave the way for a career in education, musicology, music journalism or arts administration, the Bachelor of Music (BMus) is designed specifically for students wishing to become career musicians. Admission to the BMus therefore requires that you audition on your main instrument and demonstrate an intermediate or advanced level. In addition, the University of Ottawa is one of the only institutions in the country to offer the possibility of combining the BMus program in performance with a major in science.

This program is offered in English and in French.

Program Requirement

Additional requirement: admission to the BMus requires an audition. Consult the School of Music guidelines.

All non-keyboard majors must submit to a proficiency exam set by the School of Music at the end of the 2nd year. This exam must be completed successfully by the end of the 4th year to obtain the BMus degree.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2021-2022 calendars (<http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/>) for the previous requirements.

Common Core Requirements

ENG 1100	Workshop in Essay Writing	3 Units
3 course units from:		3 Units
AHL 1100	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹	
AHL 1900	Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts ¹	
ENG 1120	Selected Topics in Literature and Composition	
3 course units from: ³		3 Units
MUS 1191	Sight-Singing and Dictation I: General	
MUS 1192	Sight-Singing and Dictation I: Intermediate	
MUS 1193	Sight-Singing and Dictation I: Advanced	
MUS 1194	Sight-Singing and Dictation I: Enriched	
One option from the following:		18 Units
Option 1:		
MUS 1030	Applied Music I ²	
MUS 2030	Applied Music II ²	
MUS 3030	Applied Music III ²	
Option 2:		

MUS 1032	Applied Music I: Performance BMUS ²	
MUS 2032	Applied Music II: Performance BMUS ²	
MUS 3032	Applied Music III: Performance BMUS ²	
MUS 2306	Theory and Analysis I ³	3 Units
MUS 2307	Theory and Analysis II	3 Units
MUS 2331	Forms and Styles I: Middle Ages and Renaissance	3 Units
MUS 2332	Forms and Styles II: Baroque and Early Classical	3 Units
3 course units from:		3 Units
MUS 2191	Sight-Singing and Dictation II: General	
MUS 2192	Sight-Singing and Dictation II: Intermediate	
MUS 2193	Sight-Singing and Dictation II: Advanced	
MUS 2194	Sight-Singing and Dictation II: Enriched	
MUS 3306	Theory and Analysis III	3 Units
MUS 3307	Theory and Analysis IV	3 Units
MUS 3333	Forms and Styles III: Late Classical and Early Romantic	3 Units
MUS 3334	Forms and Styles IV: Late Romantic and Early Modern	3 Units
MUS 3335	Twentieth-Century Music	3 Units
3 elective course units in a discipline other than music (MUS)		3 Units
3 course units in French as a second language (FLS) ⁴		3 Units
51 course units related to your profile and instrument combination		51 Units
6 elective course units		6 Units
Total:		120 Units

Note(s)

1

This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.

2

Students failing an applied music course (MUS 1030, MUS 1032, MUS 2030, MUS 2032, MUS 3030, MUS 3032) will be asked by the School of Music to withdraw from the BMus.

3

A written test at the beginning of course MUS 1191, MUS 1192, MUS 1193, MUS 1194, and MUS 2306 will determine placement in an additional weekly lab.

4

An exemption from this requirement is given to students who obtain an equivalency for the language proficiency test or who pass a music (MUS) course offered in French. The course is then to be replaced by 3 elective course units.

Specific Instrument Requirements

Guitar

Compulsory courses

MUS 3315	Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360	Conducting I ⁵	3 Units

Optional courses

3 course units from		3 Units
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MUS 3110 Music Education I	
MUS 3111 Music Education II	
15 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from: ⁶	15 Units
MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from:	3 Units
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	
9 elective course units	9 Units
Ensemble courses	
9 compulsory ensemble course units from:	9 Units
MUS 3916 Piano Ensemble	
MUS 3917 Accompaniment	
6 optional ensemble course units from:	6 Units
MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble	
MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir	
Total:	51 Units

Harp

Compulsory courses	
MUS 3315 Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360 Conducting I ⁵	3 Units
Optional courses	
3 course units from	3 Units

MUS 3110 Music Education I	
MUS 3111 Music Education II	
18 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from: ⁶	18 Units
MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from:	3 Units
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	
9 elective course units	9 Units
Ensemble courses	
12 optional ensemble course units from:	12 Units
MUS 3901 Orchestra	
MUS 3902 Wind Ensemble	
MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble	
MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir	
Total:	51 Units

Percussion

Compulsory courses	
MUS 3315 Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360 Conducting I ⁵	3 Units
Optional courses	
3 course units from	3 Units
MUS 3110 Music Education I	

MUS 3111 Music Education II	
15 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from: ⁶	15 Units
MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from:	3 Units
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	
9 elective course units	9 Units
Ensemble courses	
9 compulsory ensemble course units from:	9 Units
MUS 3902 Wind Ensemble	
6 optional ensemble course units from:	6 Units
MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble	
MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir	
or	
6 optional ensemble course units from:	
MUS 3901 Orchestra	
Total:	51 Units

Piano

Compulsory courses

MUS 3315 Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360 Conducting I ⁵	3 Units

Optional courses

3 course units from	3 Units
MUS 3110 Music Education I	
MUS 3111 Music Education II	
18 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from: ⁶	18 Units
MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from:	3 Units
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	
9 elective course units	9 Units
Ensemble courses	
6 compulsory ensemble course units from:	6 Units
MUS 3916 Piano Ensemble	
MUS 3917 Accompaniment	
6 optional ensemble course units from:	6 Units
MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble	
MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir	
Total:	51 Units

Saxophone

Compulsory courses

MUS 3315 Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360 Conducting I ⁵	3 Units

Optional courses

3 course units from	3 Units
MUS 3110 Music Education I	
MUS 3111 Music Education II	
15 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from: ⁶	15 Units
MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from:	3 Units
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	
9 elective course units	9 Units
Ensemble courses	
9 compulsory ensemble course units from:	9 Units
MUS 3902 Wind Ensemble	
6 optional ensemble course units from:	6 Units
MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble	
MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir	
Total:	51 Units

Cords and strings

Compulsory courses

MUS 3315 Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360 Conducting I ⁵	3 Units

Optional courses

3 course units from	3 Units
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MUS 3110 Music Education I	
MUS 3111 Music Education II	
18 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from: ⁶	18 Units
MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from:	3 Units
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	
9 elective course units	9 Units
Ensemble courses	
9 compulsory ensemble course units from:	9 Units
MUS 3901 Orchestra	
3 optional ensemble course units from:	3 Units
MUS 3901 Orchestra	
MUS 3902 Wind Ensemble	
MUS 3903 Opera Production	
MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble	
MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir	
MUS 3907 Guitar Ensemble	
MUS 3908 Jazz Ensemble	
MUS 3909 Brass Choir	
MUS 3910 Brass Ensemble	
MUS 3911 Woodwind Ensemble	
MUS 3912 Baroque Ensemble	

MUS 3913 Percussion Ensemble	
MUS 3914 Contemporary Music Ensemble	
MUS 3915 Mixed Ensemble	
MUS 3917 Accompaniment	
MUS 3918 Studio Accompanying	
MUS 3944 Chamber Music I	
Total:	51 Units

Voice

Please consult the Faculty of Arts for the additional voice sector requirements.

Compulsory courses

MUS 3315 Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360 Conducting I ⁵	3 Units

Optional courses

3 course units from 3 Units

MUS 3110 Music Education I	
MUS 3111 Music Education II	

18 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from: 18 Units

MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from: 3 Units	
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	

9 elective course units 9 Units

Ensemble courses

6 compulsory ensemble course units from: 6 Units

MUS 3903 Opera Production	
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6 optional ensemble course units from: 6 Units

MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble	
MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir	

Total: 51 Units

Winds and Brass

Compulsory courses

MUS 3315 Music and Computers I	3 Units
MUS 3360 Conducting I ⁵	3 Units

Optional courses

3 course units from 3 Units

MUS 3110 Music Education I	
MUS 3111 Music Education II	

15 optional course units in music (MUS), pedagogy (PED) or in psychology (PSY) from⁶ 15 Units

MUS 2950 Instrumental Classes - Violin	
MUS 2952 Instrumental Classes - Clarinet	
MUS 3950 Instrumental Classes - Cello and Bass	
MUS 3951 Instrumental Classes - Guitar	
MUS 3952 Instrumental Classes - Flute and Saxophone	
MUS 3953 Instrumental Classes - Recorder	
MUS 3954 Instrumental Classes - Trumpet and French Horn	
MUS 3956 Instrumental Classes - Percussion	
MUS 3970 Musical Approach for Young Students	
MUS 4110 Music Education III	
MUS 4302 Selected Topics in Music Education	
MUS 4360 Orchestral Conducting	
MUS 4371 Specialized Workshop in Music Education I	
MUS 4372 Specialized Workshop in Music Education II	
MUS 4391 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness I	
MUS 4392 Specialized Workshop in Musicians' Wellness II	
MUS 4952 Instrumental Classes - Oboe and Bassoon	
MUS 4954 Instrumental Classes - Trombone and Tuba	
MUS 4961 Choral Conducting	
PED 3102 Schooling and Society	
PSY 1101 Introduction to Psychology: Foundations	
PSY 1102 Introduction to Psychology: Applications	
PSY 2105 Child Development	
3 course units from: 3 Units	
MUS 4301 Seminar I	
MUS 4308 Topics in Counterpoint	
MUS 4310 Selected Topics in Score Analysis	
MUS 4311 Introduction to Schenkerian Analysis	
MUS 4323 Survey of Music in Canada	
MUS 4374 Post-Tonal Music	
9 elective course units 9 Units	

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Ensemble courses

9 compulsory ensemble course units from: 9 Units

MUS 3902 Wind Ensemble

6 optional ensemble course units from: 6 Units

MUS 3904 Choral Ensemble

MUS 3905 Calixa-Lavallée Choir

or

6 optional ensemble course units from:

MUS 3901 Orchestra

Total: 51 Units

Note(s)

5

Students wishing to teach at the high-school level are strongly encouraged to register for an additional three-unit course in Conducting.

6

The course AMT 3105 can count towards this requirement.