



**BACHELOR of MUSIC – Option in MUSIC EDUCATION  
INSTRUMENTAL TRACK – STRINGS**

Department of Music  
Potter College of Arts & Letters  
Western Kentucky University

The suggested program of study shown below should be used in consultation with your advisor(s). Every student will finish with a unique plan of his/her own depending on the electives selected.

**Success Markers**

**SAMPLE - 4 year plan**

<b>FIRST YEAR</b>	<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>	
<i>Visit Math Lab for free tutoring</i>	MUS 100 <i>Theory I</i>	3	MUS 101 <i>Theory II</i>	3
	MUS 153 <i>Applied Principal</i>	2	MUS 153 <i>Applied Principal</i>	2
	MUS 155 <i>Performance Attendance</i>	0	MUS 155 <i>Performance Attendance</i>	0
	MUS 160 <i>Group Piano I</i>	1	MUS 161 <i>Group Piano II</i>	1
	MUS 344 <i>University Orchestra</i>	1	MUS 344 <i>University Orchestra</i>	1
	(MUS 349 <i>Studio Ensemble</i> )	(1)	MUS 162 <i>Group Voice</i>	1
	MUS 120 <i>Music Appreciation (majors)</i> (E-AH)	3	PSY 100 <i>Intro to Psychology</i> (E-SB)	3
	ENG 100 <i>Intro to College Writing</i> (F-W1)	3	EDU 250 <i>Intro Teacher Education</i>	3
	COMM 145 <i>Fund. Public Speaking</i> (F-OC)	3	MATH 109 <i>General Math</i> (F-QR)	3
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>17</b>

<b>SECOND YEAR</b>	<b>Fall Semester</b>		<b>Spring Semester</b>	
<i>Volunteer with WKU ALIVE Center or join a Student Organization!</i>	MUS 200 <i>Theory III</i>	3	MUS 201 <i>Theory IV</i>	3
	MUS 153 <i>Applied Principal</i>	2	MUS 153 <i>Applied Principal</i>	2
	MUS 155 <i>Performance Attendance</i>	0	MUS 155 <i>Performance Attendance</i>	0
	MUS 260 <i>Group Piano III</i>	1	MUS 261 <i>Group Piano IV</i>	1
	MUS 214 <i>String Techniques (or 215)</i>	1	MUS 215 <i>Brass Techniques (or 214)</i>	1
	MUS 344 <i>University Orchestra</i>	1	MUS 344 <i>University Orchestra</i>	1
	(MUS 349 <i>Studio Ensemble</i> )	(1)	MUS 327 <i>Music History II</i> (K-SC)	3
	MUS 326 <i>Music History I</i>	3	PSY 310 <i>Ed. Psychology</i>	3
	HIST 101/102 <i>World History I/II</i> (E-SB)	3	PHYS 130 <i>Acoustics of Music &amp; Speech</i> (E-NS, LS)	3
	ENG 200 <i>Intro to Literature</i> (F-AH)	3		
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>17</b>

**World Language Proficiency:** All students entering in fall 2014 or later must demonstrate proficiency in a world language at the Novice High level before completing 60 credit hours. Novice high is the ability to communicate in writing and speaking on familiar topics in simple sentences. To meet this requirement, students may take college language courses or take a proficiency test. For more information go to [www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/](http://www.wku.edu/modernlanguages/placement/).

THIRD YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Visit Career Services for resume consultation, practice interviews, begin job search.	MUS 353 <i>Applied Principal</i>	2	MUS 353 <i>Applied Principal</i>	2
	MUS 155 <i>Performance Attendance</i>	0	MUS 155 <i>Performance Attendance</i>	0
	MUS 317 <i>Conducting I</i>	2	MUS 318 <i>Conducting II</i>	2
	MUS 312 <i>Teaching Music Elementary</i>	3	MUS 412 <i>Teaching Music Middle School</i>	3
	MUS 316 <i>Flute/Double Reed Techniques</i>	1	MUS 416 <i>Instrumental Methods</i>	3
	MUS 304 <i>Form and Analysis</i>	2	MUS 315 <i>Clarinet/Sax Techniques</i>	1
	MUS 344 <i>University Orchestra</i>	1	MUS 344 <i>University Orchestra</i>	1
	ENG 300 <i>Writing in the Disciplines (F-W2)</i>	3	<i>Connections: Local to Global (K-LG)</i>	3
	SPED 330 <i>Intro to Exceptional Education</i>	3		
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>

FOURTH YEAR	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
>>>> Apply for Student Teaching NOW! <<<<<<  File application for graduation at 90 hours. (on-line form in Topnet)	MUS 353 <i>Applied Principal</i>	2	EDU 489 <i>Student Teaching Seminar</i>	3
	MUS 155 <i>Performance Attendance</i>	0	SEC/MGE 490 <i>Music Student Teaching-Instrumental</i>	5
	MUS 319 <i>Percussion Techniques</i>	1	ELED 490 <i>Music Student Teaching-General Music</i>	5
	MUS 407 <i>Orchestration and Arranging</i>	3		
	MUS 344 <i>University Orchestra</i>	1		
	MUS 338 <i>DIS Strings Methods/Materials</i>	2		
	<i>Natural &amp; Physical Science Elective (non PHYS) (E-NS)</i>	3		
	<i>Connections: Systems (K-SY)</i>	3		
	(LTCY 421 <i>Literacy</i> )	(3)		
	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Total Credit Hours: 127</b>				

**Colonnade Program:** All students entering in fall 2014 or later must complete 39 hours in 13 specific Colonnade areas. Colonnade areas are listed in parentheses marked in blue after the corresponding classes. Some areas may have specific course requirements while others can be chosen from selected lists of options. For more details and to see lists of options, go to [http://www.wku.edu/colonnade/documents/approved\\_colonnade\\_courses\\_website.pdf](http://www.wku.edu/colonnade/documents/approved_colonnade_courses_website.pdf)

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Course Descriptions: <http://www.wku.edu/undergraduatecatalog>