

**School of Music Graduate Advising Worksheet 2023-24**  
**Performance Diploma – Strings and Harp**

Student name \_\_\_\_\_

BU ID \_\_\_\_\_

Applied teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Program start date (e.g., Fall 2023) \_\_\_\_\_

Students must earn a **minimum** of 28 course credits with grades no lower than B- in graduate-level coursework per the [Bulletin](#) (see [Bulletin archives](#) for pre-Fall 2023 curriculum):

- 7 credits minimum per semester (to a maximum of 11.5 credits) for full-time status
- 12 credits of applied lessons (3 credits each of four semesters of study required); students must register for hour-long lessons (CFA ML 5xx odd-numbered courses)
- 4 credits/semesters of MP 608 Chamber Music; students register for the 1 credit 'lecture' and corresponding 0 credit 'lab'
  - Bass Majors may substitute CFA MP 640 Orchestral Techniques
  - Harp Majors are required to take MP 649 (Harp Ped/Lit) all 4 semesters, and this may substitute for any or all of the Chamber Music required credits
- 4 credits/semesters of MP 600 Orchestra and/or MP 602 Wind Ensemble. Note: students must register for ensembles as assigned in their seating audition, in each of their first four semesters of study, regardless if they have earned the required four credits in fewer than four semesters
- 8 credits of electives:
  - Students can choose from grad courses (500 level and above) with SoM prefixes MU, ME and MP; academic courses in MH and MT are not permitted for PD students
  - MET graduate classes in Arts Administration will satisfy elective credits
  - Applied lessons may be taken for up to 4 credits per semester instead of 3. Any additional lesson credit(s) beyond the required 12 would satisfy elective credit in the PD, but no more than 4 credits of extra applied lessons may be applied towards electives. Students must submit a [course substitution form](#) to request use of additional lesson credits for elective credit
- Two solo recitals (each approx. 60 minutes of music)
- Students are expected to register for classes on [published dates](#) and must register for classes each semester through graduation unless taking an approved [leave of absence](#)
- All students **MUST** [apply to graduate](#) before their final semester of study, complete all degree program requirements, and earn a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.00 to be awarded a degree per [CFA Graduation Policy](#).
- Useful resources: [Graduate Student Advising Tools](#) and [Resources](#); [Graduate Student Handbook](#) and [Applied and Performance Studies handbook](#); and Professor Jason Yust, Director of Graduate Studies, [jyust@bu.edu](mailto:jyust@bu.edu)

See reverse for comprehensive checklist.

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BU ID \_\_\_\_\_

Applied teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Program start date (e.g., Fall 2023) \_\_\_\_\_

	Semester	Grade	Credits
Applied Lessons, ML 5xx (12 cr.)			
MP 608 Chamber Music (4 cr) – see reverse for bass options and harp requirements			
Ensembles MP 600 and/or MP 602 as assigned (4 cr.)			
Graduate Music Electives (8 cr.)			

**Total (minimum of 28):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recital 1** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recital 2** \_\_\_\_\_

**Graduation application submitted** \_\_\_\_\_