BU College of Fine Arts

BU College of Fine Arts Advising Worksheet

Student		BA Music - Music Theory Concentration	Total Units:
		Major	128
		Entrance Fall 2025	**Ext Units:**

BU HUB

Req.	Course
PLM	CFA FA 100
AEX	CFA MT 201-2^
HCO	CFA MH 211
SI1	
SO1	
SI2/SO2	
QR1	CFA MT 201-2^
QR2	CFA MT 301
IIC	(lang. elective)
GCI	
GCI	
ETR	
FYW	CAS WR 120
WRI	CAS WR 151/2/3
WIN	
WIN	
OSC	
DME	
CRT	
CRT	
RIL	CAS WR 151/2/3
RIL	CFA MH 211
TWC	
TWC	
CRI	CFA MT 201-2^
CRI	

For more information:
bu.edu/hub

^ denotes bundled courses; students must take both to earn Hub requirements.

Hub req. not satisfied in the required courses above may be fulfilled in elective course options inside and/or outside of CFA.

First Year

Fall Semester	Units
_____ CFA MT 101 Music Theory 1	3
_____ CFA MT 111 Aural Skills 1	1
_____ CFA MP 111 Group Piano 1	1
_____ CFA___Lessons/Ensemble	1
_____ CAS WR 120 First Year Writing Seminar*	4
_____ Language Elective#:	4
_____ _____	
_____ CFA FA 100 The CFA Experience*	2
Total:	16

Spring Semester	Units
_____ CFA MT 102 Music Theory 2	3
_____ CFA MT 112 Aural Skills 2	1
_____ CFA MP 112 Group Piano 2	1
_____ CFA___Lessons/Ensemble	1
_____ CAS WR 151/152/153*	4
_____ Language Elective#:	4
_____ _____	
Total:	14

Second Year

Fall Semester	Units
_____ CFA MH 211 OR CFA MH 436*	4
_____ CFA MT 201 Music Theory 3*	3
_____ CFA MT XXX Composition	2
_____ CFA MT 211 Aural Skills 3	1
_____ CFA MP 113 Group Piano 3	1
_____ BU Hub req. outside major	4
_____ _____	
_____ Music Elective	1
_____ _____	
Total:	16

Spring Semester	Units
_____ MH 212 OR CFA MH 400-level	4
_____ MT 202 Music Theory 4*	3
_____ CFA MT XXX Composition	2
_____ MT 212 Aural Skills 4	1
_____ Music Elective	1
_____ _____	
_____ BU Hub req. outside major	4
_____ _____	
Total:	15

Third Year

Fall Semester	Units
_____ Music History 400-Level Elective:	4
_____ CFA MT 301 Music Theory 5	2
_____ CFA MT 311 Aural Skills 5	1
_____ BU Hub requirement outside major:	8
_____ _____	
_____ Music Elective	1
_____ _____	
Total:	16

Spring Semester	Units
_____ Music History 400-Level Elective:	4
_____ CFA MT XXX	2
_____ BU Hub requirement outside major:	8
_____ _____	
_____ Music Elective	1
_____ _____	
_____ CFA MU 495 Capstone Project Dev.	2
Total:	17

Fourth Year

Fall Semester	Units
_____ Music Elective	4
_____ _____	
_____ Elective	12
_____ _____	
_____ CFA MU 496 Capstone Project	2
Total:	18

Spring Semester	Units
_____ BU Hub requirement outside major:	4
_____ _____	
_____ Elective	12
_____ _____	
Total:	16

Please reference the BU Bulletin for more information: https://www.bu.edu/academics/cfa/programs/school-of-music/music/

About the CFA Advising Worksheet

The CFA Advising worksheet comprises several parts:

- **The Semester Planner** is designed for students to look at their program semester by semester. Required courses are included as well as suggested slots for electives. While an individual student's course trajectory may differ slightly, following this plan will keep a student on track for on-time graduation.
- **The Hub Planner** allows students to keep track of their completed Hub requirements; "internal" Hub courses that students will satisfy through major requirements are pre-filled. The complete list of Hub requirements is available on this sheet and online at bu.edu/hub

When you choose electives, fill in the course number and name in the semester planner and the Hub requirements in the Hub planner. Keep this sheet updated and bring it to your advisor each time you register for classes.

Completing the Hub

There are two kinds of Hub requirements, those in the five capacities, and those in the intellectual toolkit plus writing intensive. A 4-credit Hub course will *typically* satisfy two regular requirements and one intellectual toolkit or writing intensive requirements.

Students have several 4-unit courses in their programs devoted to satisfying Hub requirements, noted in the **semester planner** on this worksheet. Each of these can satisfy at most two regular requirements and one intellectual toolkit / writing intensive requirements (2 + 1 rule). Students should have space for an additional one or two electives throughout their program, particularly in the senior year, which may be used to satisfy remaining Hub requirements if needed. Know that some elective courses offered by CFA that fulfill major elective requirements will also satisfy Hub requirements. Consult the Hub website, My BU, and your Academic Advisor for information about "internal" electives that may fulfill Hub requirements.

Finding Hub Courses

As students are choosing their electives, both internally and externally, they should look for courses that interest them and satisfy the Hub requirements that remain unfilled in the Hub planner. Here are three ways to learn more about Hub courses:

My BU: https://mybustudent.bu.edu
- One of the easiest ways to search for Hub requirements is in My BU. Visit Course Catalog – Class Search and Expand Filters. From here, select Hub Requirements under Course Attribute, and even more detailed, specific Hub Requirement under Course Attribute Value.

BU Bulletin: http://www.bu.edu/academics
- The BU Bulletin offers a listing of courses within departments; this will be useful to research "internal" elective options or get a sense of which Hub requirements certain departments might fulfill.

Information about the Hub: http://www.bu.edu/hub
- This website has a lot of information, including details about the educational philosophy and design of the Hub, tips, and links to other resources. You can also find lists of Hub courses on this website.

Hub Requirements Abbreviation Guide

PLM	Philosophical Inquiry and Life's Meanings	FYW	First Year Writing Seminar
AEX	Aesthetic Exploration	WRI	Research, Writing, and Inquiry
HCO	Historical Consciousness	OSC	Oral and/or Signed Communication
SI1	Scientific Inquiry 1	DMC	Digital/Multimedia Communication
SO1	Social Inquiry 1	WIN	Writing Intensive (2 requirements)
SI2/SO2	Scientific Inquiry 2 or Social Inquiry 2	CRT	Critical Thinking (2 requirements)
QR1	Quantitative Reasoning 1	RIL	Research &Information Literacy (2 requirements)
QR2	Quantitative Reasoning 2	TWC	Teamwork/Collaboration (2 requirements)
IIC	The Individual in Community	CRI	Creativity/Innovation (2 requirements)
GCI	Global Citizenship & Intercultural Literacy (2 requirements)		
ETR	Ethical Reasoning		