

Degree:	Bachelor of Music	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Performance and Songwriting	Credits required in major:	75
Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:			8

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	16	Total Semester Credit Hours	16
AUDI 102 Elements of Sound, Music, Audio	3	AUDI 106 Working with MIDI	1
CCCX 1** First Semester Experience (Columbia Experience)	3	AUDI 121 Production Foundations	3
ENGL 111 Foundations of 21st Century Writing	3	ENGL 112 Foundations of 21st Century Writing	3
MUSC 100 Intro to Audio and Music - New Student Experience	1	MUSC 111 Foundations of Music II	4
MUSC 110 Foundations of Music I	4	MUSC 175 Applied Music II	2
MUSC 174 Applied Music I	2	Columbia Core Requirement	3
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
BUSE 135 Business of Music	3	BUSE 275 Self-Management and Freelancing	3
MUSC 210 Foundations of Music III	3	MUSC 150 Foundations of Digital Music Production	3
MUSC 223 Elements of Music Design	3	MUSC 211 Foundations of Music IV	3
Private Lessons (optional Spring instead or in addition)	2	Columbia Core Requirement	3
Ensemble (optional Spring instead or in addition)	1	College-Wide Elective	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3		
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
MUSC 250 Digital Music Performance	3	MUSC 327 Songwriting I	3
MUSC 361 Music, Time, and Place I	3	MUSC 351 Vocal and Instrumental Production Techniques	3
MUSC 363 Music Styles and Analysis	3	MUSC 362 Music, Time, and Place II	3
Private Lessons (optional Spring instead or in addition)	2	Columbia Core Requirement	3
Ensemble (optional Spring instead or in addition)	1	College-Wide Elective	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3		
7th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	8th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	13	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
MUSC 450 Advanced Digital Music Production	3	MUSC 490 Capstone in Audio and Music	3
MUSC 481 Recording and Performance Projects	1	Major Elective B	3
Major Elective A	3	Columbia Core Requirement	3
Private Lessons (optional Spring instead or in addition)	2	Columbia Core Requirement	3
Ensemble (optional Spring instead or in addition)	1	College-Wide Elective	3
Columbia Core Requirement	3		

Notes on the Four-Year Student Degree Plan:

This degree plan is a suggested sequence. Students should consult with their advisor to create an individual plan.

All students are required to complete a minimum of 30 credits in Columbia Core Requirements.

Major Electives are required courses chosen from a list in the course catalog.

College-Wide Electives are courses not counted toward the Columbia Core or Major Requirements.

All undergraduates must complete 6 credits of Inclusive Perspectives and Pedagogy (IPP) coursework.

Students are encouraged to declare a Minor to fulfill College-Wide Elective credits.

Full-time status is 12+ credits, but tuition covers 12–18. Students are encouraged to take 15–16 credits per semester to stay on track for graduation and maximize value.



TRANSFER STUDENT DEGREE PLAN 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

Degree:	Bachelor of Music	Credits required for degree:	120
Major:	Performance and Songwriting	Credits required in major:	75
Estimated semesters to complete this degree plan:			6

1st Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	2nd Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	16	Total Semester Credit Hours	13
AUDI 102 Elements of Sound, Music, Audio	3	AUDI 106 Working with MIDI	1
AUDI 121 Production Foundations	3	BUSE 275 Self-Management and Freelancing	3
BUSE 135 Business of Music	3	MUSC 111 Foundations of Music II	4
MUSC 100 Intro to Audio and Music - New Student Experience	1	MUSC 175 Applied Music II	2
MUSC 110 Foundations of Music I	4	MUSC 150 Foundations of Digital Music Production	3
MUSC 174 Applied Music I	2		
3rd Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	4th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Total Semester Credit Hours	15
MUSC 210 Foundations of Music III	3	MUSC 211 Foundations of Music IV	3
MUSC 223 Elements of Music Design	3	MUSC 327 Songwriting I	3
MUSC 250 Digital Music Performance	3	MUSC 351 Vocal and Instrumental Production Techniques	3
MUSC 361 Music, Time, and Place I	3	MUSC 362 Music, Time, and Place II	3
Private Lessons	2	Private Lessons	2
Ensemble	1	Ensemble	1
5th Semester Courses (Typically the Fall Semester)	Credit Hours	6th Semester Courses (Typically the Spring Semester)	Credit Hours
Total Semester Credit Hours	13	Total Semester Credit Hours	6
MUSC 363 Music Styles and Analysis	3	MUSC 490 Capstone in Audio and Music	3
MUSC 450 Advanced Digital Music Production	3	Major Elective B	3
MUSC 481 Recording and Performance Projects	1		
Major Elective A	3		
Private Lessons	2		
Ensemble	1		

Notes on the Transfer Student Degree Plan:

This plan assumes at least 60 transfer credits and completion of Columbia Core requirements. Inclusive Perspectives and Pedagogy (IPP) coursework and Columbia Experience must be completed at Columbia and cannot be fulfilled with transfer credits.

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