Northern Illinois University

Performance - Keyboard Instrumental

College of Visual and Performing Arts

Degree Path - Catalog 2023-2024

A successful instrumental audition is required for admission to the School of Music and ability to declare a music major.

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Semester 1	Credits	Success Marker	Semester 2	Credits	Success Marker
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0		MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0	* 2 courses from MUHL 22x will fulfill Creativity
MUTC 101: Theory I	2		MUTC 102: Theory II	2	and Critical Analysis
MUTC 103: Aural Skills	2		MUTC 104: Aural Skills II	2	Knowledge Domain
Primary Keyboard Study (200 level)	4		Primary Keyboard Study (200 level)	4	
Ensemble (300 level)	1		Ensemble (300 level)	1	
Foudnational Study	3		Ensemble (300 level)	1	
Knowledge Domain [^]	3		Foundational Study	3	
			Knowledge Domain^	3	
Total hours	15		Total hours	16	
Semester 3	Credits	Success Marker	Semester 4	Credits	Success Marker
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0		MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0	~ Sophomore Proficiency Exam
MUTC 201: Theory III	2		MUTC 202: Theory IV	2	
MUTC 203: Aural Skills III	2		MUTC 204: Aural Skills IV	2	
Primary Keyboard Study (200 level)	4		Primary Keyboard Study (200 level)~	4	
MUSP 339: Accompanying	1		Ensemble (300 level)	1	
Ensemble (300 level)	1		Ensemble (300 level)	1	
Foundational Study	3		Foundational Study	3	
Knowledge Domain	3		Knowledge Domain	3	
Total hours	16		Total hours	16	
Semester 5	Credits	Success Marker	Semester 6	Credits	Success Marker
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0		MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0	OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
MUHL 321: Music History I	3		MUHL 322: Music History II	3	-40 hours of 300/400 credits
Primary Keyboard Study (300 level)	4		Elective: Music	2-3	- 1 Human Diversity Course (MUHL 326 can fulfill this
MUSP 335: Conducting I	2		Primary Keyboard Study (300 level)	4	requirement) - 2 Writing Intensive Courses
Ensemble (300 level)	1		Ensemble (300 level)	1	
Ensemble (300 level)	1		Knowledge Domain	3	
Elective: Music	2 - 3		Knowledge Domain	3	
Knowledge Domain	3				
Total hours	16 - 17		Total hours	16-17	
Semester 7	Credits	Success Marker	Semester 8	Credits	Success Marker
MUSC 99: Recital Attendance	0	Harpsichord majors take MUHL 437 only and then an elective in place of 438 or 436	MUSC 399 A: Senior Recital	0	
MUHL 437 or 435: Piano/Organ Lit I	2		MUHL 438 or 436: Piano/Organ Lit II	2	
Primary Keyboard Study (300	4		Primary Keyboard Study (300	4	
level)	4		level)	7	
level) Ensemble (300 level) MUHL 323: Music History III	1		level) Ensemble (300 level)	1	

Elective: MUHL	3		Elective: MUTC	2					
			Elective: Music	2 - 3					
Total hours	13		Total hours	12 - 13					
Notes/Comments: MUTC 301: Theory V (2 credits) is only offered in Spring. If chosen, move MUTC 301 to Sem. 8 (total 12 sem. hours) and									
take a music elective for 3 credits to Sem. 7 (total 13-14 sem. hours)									

Notes/Comments: This plan is an example of what a four year plan could look like for a typical student. Placement exam scores in math as well as the completion of coursework may change the plan. It should not be used in the place of regular academic advising appointments. All students are encouraged to meet with their advisor each semester to discuss course scheduling. All requirements are subject to change by NIU.

