

# BACHELOR OF ARTS IN MUSIC (VOCAL PERFORMANCE)

**Web Site:** <https://twu.edu/music/undergraduate-programs/ba-in-music-degree-with-a-performance-track/>

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Music with an emphasis in Performance is designed for those students who wish to pursue a career as a performer, establish a music studio, or develop the foundation for graduate study in music. Pursue your passion through private lessons, ensembles, and recitals combined with other music studies including theory, history, and piano.

## Marketable Skills

Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30 Strategic Plan (<https://reportcenter.highered.texas.gov/agency-publication/miscellaneous/the60x30-strategic-plan/>) as, "Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities."

1. Collaboration - work effectively with others toward a common goal.
2. Analysis - think and understand in patterns.
3. Time-management - handle multiple projects simultaneously.

## Admissions

1. All applicants must meet the general undergraduate admission requirements (<http://catalog.twu.edu/undergraduate/admission-information/>).
2. Fill out the online TWU Music Audition Application via Acceptd (<http://catalog.twu.eduhttp://twumusic.getacceptd.com/>).
3. A letter of recommendation from your current private teacher or ensemble director will be required for each application. The letter must be received prior to your audition date and must be submitted by the letter writer through the Acceptd platform.
4. Audition and participate in a placement evaluation.

You also may choose to compete for scholarships that are available to new and transferring music students each year. These are awarded based on musical excellence, as verified through your entrance audition and placement examination, and supported by teacher recommendations.

Please visit the TWU Music Auditions (<https://twu.edu/music/auditions/>) website for audition dates, area-specific audition criteria, and a Step-by-Step Guide to admission into music degree programs.

## Degree Requirements

**Total Semester Credit Hours (SCH):** 120

**Major:** 29 SCH

**Program Code:** MUSIC.BA; **CIP Code:** 50.0901.00

## Texas Core Curriculum

Code	Title	SCHs
ENG 1013	Composition I	3
ENG 1023	Composition II	3
Mathematics		3
Life & Physical Sciences		6
Language, Philosophy, & Culture		3
Creative Arts		3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	3
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	3
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	3
POLS 2023	Texas Government	3
Social & Behavioral Sciences		3
CAO: Women's Studies		3
CAO: First Year Seminar, Wellness or Mathematics		3
Total SCHs		42

## Courses Required for Major

Code	Title	SCHs
MU 1021	Keyboard Musicianship I	1
MU 1031	Keyboard Musicianship II	1
MU 1521	Aural Skills I	1
MU 1531	Aural Skills II	1
MU 2521	Aural Skills III	1
MU 2531	Aural Skills IV	1
MU 1523	Music Theory I	3
MU 1533	Music Theory II	3
MU 2523	Music Theory III	3
MU 2533	Music Theory IV	3
MU 3313	Music History I	3
MU 3323	Music History II	3
MU 3542	Conducting I	2
MU 4903	Special Topics (Special Topics in Music Theory)	3
Total SCHs		29

## Vocal Performance

**Special Requirement:** A grade of "B" or higher for courses to be counted toward the degree.

Code	Title	SCHs
Applied Voice (10 SCH advanced)		18
Music Ensembles		8
MU 2061	Keyboard Musicianship III	1
MU 3402	Vocal Literature	2
MU 3681	Opera Ensemble (2 semesters required)	2
MU 3442	English, Italian, and Latin Diction	2
MU 3452	French and German Diction	2
MU 3492	Vocal Pedagogy	2
Total SCHs		37

### Departmental Requirements

Code	Title	SCHs
Foreign Language (6 SCH in one language required)		
Performance Juries (8 juries completed)		
MU 2913	Music and Cultures	3
THEA 2213	Performance I	3
Total SCHs		12

### Recommended Plan of Study

#### First Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
MU 1021	Keyboard Musicianship I	MUSI 1181	1
MU 1521	Aural Skills I	MUSI 1116	1
MU 1523	Music Theory I	MUSI 1311	3
MU 2092	Voice		2
Large Choral Ensemble			
UNIV 1231	Learning Frameworks: The First Year Experience	EDUC 1100, EDUC 1200, EDUC 1300	1
ENG 1013	Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
HIST 1013	History of the United States, 1492-1865	HIST 1301	3
		SCHs	15

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
MU 1031	Keyboard Musicianship II	MUSI 1182	1
MU 1531	Aural Skills II	MUSI 1117	1
MU 1533	Music Theory II	MUSI 1312	3
MU 2092	Voice		2
MU 2913	Music and Cultures	MUSI 1307	3
Large Choral Ensemble			
ENG 1023	Composition II	ENGL 1302	3
		SCHs	14

#### Second Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
MU 1112	Music and Wellness		2
MU 2061	Keyboard Musicianship III	MUSI 2181	1
MU 2092	Voice		2
MU 2521	Aural Skills III	MUSI 2116	1
MU 2523	Music Theory III	MUSI 2311	3
Large Choral Ensemble			
POLS 2013	U.S. National Government	GOVT 2305	3
Social/Behavioral Science Core			
		SCHs	16

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
MU 2092	Voice		2
MU 2531	Aural Skills IV	MUSI 2117	1
MU 2533	Music Theory IV	MUSI 2312	3
Large Choral Ensemble			
HIST 1023	History of the United States, 1865 to the Present	HIST 1302	3
POLS 2023	Texas Government	GOVT 2306	3

Elective		1
		SCHs
		14

#### Third Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
MU 3313	Music History I		3
MU 4092	Voice		2
MU 3492	Vocal Pedagogy		2
Large Choral Ensemble			
THEA 2213	Performance I	DRAM 1351	3
Foreign Language Elective			
		Elective	1
		SCHs	15

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
MU 3323	Music History II		3
MU 3402	Vocal Literature		2
MU 4092	Voice		3
& MU 4091	and Voice		
Large Choral Ensemble			
Foreign Language Elective			
Life/Physical Science Core			
		SCHs	15

#### Fourth Year

Fall		TCCN	SCHs
MU 3442	English, Italian, and Latin Diction		2
MU 3542	Conducting I		2
MU 3681	Opera Ensemble		1
MU 4092	Voice		3
& MU 4091	and Voice		
Large Choral Ensemble			
Life/Physical Science Core			
Mathematics Core			
		SCHs	15

Spring		TCCN	SCHs
MU 3452	French and German Diction		2
MU 3681	Opera Ensemble		1
MU 3703	Women in Music		3
MU 4092	Voice		3
& MU 4091	and Voice		
MU 4903	Special Topics (Music Theory)		3
Large Choral Ensemble			
Language/Phil/Cultural Core			
		SCHs	16

Total SCHs: 120