

Music Major (BA)

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At Lyon we speak the language of music, endorsing its traditional role in the liberal arts. The music major is thus rooted in the history and theory of music as well as in performance. It is well suited to students who wish to pursue graduate study in performance, music education, music theory, or musicology; potential church musicians; and students who wish to study music in tandem with other disciplines.

In addition to studying music in the classroom, music majors develop skills as performers (in voice, piano, organ, or selected instrumental areas) in private lessons with a member of the music faculty. A basic level of skill on the piano is expected of all music majors; therefore, students must pass a piano proficiency examination by their senior year. All music majors must also complete a senior project that will culminate in the form of a public recital, lecture recital, or lecture.

NOTES

* Students may use MUS 110 to satisfy core requirements.

* To satisfy the Individual Lessons requirement, three hours of private lessons, not including those the student may wish to take in order to pass the piano proficiency examination, should be taken on one instrument or in voice. Additional private lessons may be taken but may not be considered as music elective hours.

NOTE: To graduate with a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree from Lyon College, students must successfully complete a minimum of 120 semester credit hours comprised of our required Core curriculum (44-48 hours), the requirements of at least one major (credit hours vary per major), and a selection of our Liberal Arts electives. They must also earn at least a 2.00 cumulative grade point average for all work taken at Lyon College and a 2.00 cumulative grade point average in their major, minor, and concentration.

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Item #	Title	Credits
MUS 110	Music Theory	3
MUS 111	Musicianship I	1.5
MUS 112	Musicianship II	1.5
MUS 205	Advanced Music Theory	3
MUS 311	Medieval and Renaissance Music	3
MUS 320	Baroque and Classical Music	3
MUS 325	Nineteenth- and Twentieth-century Music	3
	Individual Lessons (6 credits)	6
	Ensemble (3 semesters)	3-6
	Music Electives (9 credits - 200 level or above)	9
MUS 499	Senior Recital	1

CORE CURRICULUM

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Item #	Title	Credits
	Core Curriculum Requirements (In addition to Major hours)	44-48
	Total Credits	81-88

Individual Lessons (6 credits)

One hour of private lessons in one instrument or voice.

Ensemble (3 semesters)

Select 3 semesters of the following:

Item #	Title	Credits
MUS 100	Lyon College Gospel Choir	1
MUS 120	Lyon College Marching Band	2
MUS 125	Lyon College Jazz Band	1
MUS 130	Lyon College Concert Band	1
MUS 140	Lyon College Concert Chorale	1
MUS 163	Pipe Band	1

Music Electives (9 credits - 200 level or above)