

JAZZ STUDIES MINOR

Banner Code: JAZZ

Music Academic Advisor

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This minor is open to music and non-music majors who wish to explore America's unique art form. It is open to all instrumentalists and vocalists, including students who perform on instruments not typically associated with jazz.

Admissions & Policies

Admissions

No prior experience in jazz is needed, but candidates must pass a music audition.

Policies

Students in the keyboard area use the Keyboard Skills I credit as a music elective.

University policy states that students must earn 8 distinct credits that are not used for their major toward their degree, with a minimum 2.00 GPA earned in all courses applied to the minor. For policies governing all minors, see AP5.3.4 Minors (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/undergraduate-policies/#ap-5-3-4>).

Requirements

Minor Requirements

Total credits: 21

Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
Select 2 credits of Applied Music Options (course list follows)		2
MUSI 107	Jazz and Blues in America (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/)	3
MUSI 113	Aural Skills I	1
MUSI 115	Introduction to Music Theory	3
MUSI 171	Keyboard Skills I	1
MUSI 215	Theory for Pop and Jazz Music	3
MUSI 274	Jazz/Commercial Piano	1
Two semesters of		
MUSI 300	Recital Attendance (two semesters) ¹	
MUSI 311	Jazz Studies	3
Three credits of		3
MUSI 485	Chamber Ensembles (Mason Core) (http://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/) (Jazz Chamber Ensembles)	

MUSI 379	Jazz Improvisation	1
Total Credits		21

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All students who enroll as music minors and jazz studies minors must take MUSI 300 Recital Attendance for two semesters. A grade of S (satisfactory) must be earned each semester.

Applied Music Options

Code	Title	Credits
See Music advisor for registration permission and options.		
MUSI 220	Applied Music in Music Technology	1
MUSI 221	Applied Music I	1
MUSI 222	Applied Music in Keyboard	1
MUSI 223	Applied Music in Voice	1
MUSI 224	Applied Music in Woodwind	1
MUSI 225	Applied Music in Brass	1
MUSI 226	Applied Music in String	1
MUSI 227	Applied Music in Percussion	1
MUSI 228	Applied Music in Composition	1
MUSI 240	Applied Music in Music Technology	2
MUSI 242	Applied Music in Keyboard	2
MUSI 243	Applied Music in Voice	2
MUSI 244	Applied Music in Woodwind	2
MUSI 245	Applied Music in Brass	2
MUSI 246	Applied Music in String	2
MUSI 247	Applied Music in Percussion	2
MUSI 248	Applied Music in Composition	2
MUSI 440	Applied Music in Music Technology	3
MUSI 442	Applied Music in Keyboard	2-3
MUSI 443	Applied Music in Voice	2-3
MUSI 444	Applied Music in Woodwind	2-3
MUSI 445	Applied Music in Brass	2-3
MUSI 446	Applied Music in String	2-3
MUSI 447	Applied Music in Percussion	2-3
MUSI 448	Applied Music in Composition	2-3