



**CAL POLY**

Advising

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS

## SUGGESTED COURSES FOR MUSIC (MU)

- I. New transfer students will be placed on the 2026-2028 Catalog.
- II. Recommend 14-16 semester units in music for fall semester 2026.
- III. Major Courses:  
Music majors should plan to consult with the Music Department regarding proper placement in classes.  
14 units, all MU-prefix are recommended:
  - 4 units Materials and Structures of Music: MU 1101, MU 2203 or MU 3303, depending on assessment results from the Midpoint Evaluation on Aug. 21, and prior credit
  - 2 units Musicianship: MU 1104; depending on assessment results
  - 1 unit Piano Skills: MU 1161 or MU 2261 or MU 2265 - depending on placement results from the assessment after the Aug. 20 Academic Day Meeting and prior credit
  - 1 unit Applied Study: MU 1150
  - 1 unit minimum Performing Ensemble
  - 1 unit Introduction to Music Studies: MU 1100 (permission numbers will be provided during SLO Days, or can be requested by email to [music@calpoly.edu](mailto:music@calpoly.edu))
  - 4 units of MU 3311 or Upper Division MU: MU 3320, MU 3340, MU 3336, MU 3361 if prerequisites have been met – check Schedule Builder or the catalog.
  - 1 unit Vocal Practicum (MU 1189) for students whose Applied Study area is voice
- IV. Additional Notes:
  - The Graduation Writing Requirement (GWR) must be fulfilled by enrolling in a GWR-certified, upper-division course OR by completing a GWR Portfolio. For more info on the GWR, visit <https://writingandlearning.calpoly.edu/GWR>
  - To find out which classes can satisfy the GWR, select "Expand Filters" in the upper right-hand corner of the Schedule Builder screen and search by GWR.
  - Students must satisfy the United States Cultural Pluralism (USCP) requirement – classes also can be found in Schedule Builder.
- V. Advising Center Information:
  - Hours: 9 am-12pm & 1-4pm Monday-Friday
  - Appointments and Zoom Drop-in Advising: [cla.calpoly.edu/advising](https://cla.calpoly.edu/advising)
  - Contact Information: [claadvising@calpoly.edu](mailto:claadvising@calpoly.edu)