

B.A. Music

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Southwestern Adventist University's Department of Music provides a comprehensive study on music theory, history, pedagogy, conducting, composition, literature, and performance. Our students receive opportunities to frequently participate in masterclasses presented by Southwestern faculty and guest artists as well as the opportunities to perform in recitals on a monthly basis. Southwestern's choral & instrumental ensembles provide our students with the opportunity to perform a vast array of music from classical masterworks to modern compositions in both large ensembles and small chamber groups. Each year Southwestern is represented by their ensembles internationally, providing our students with rich musical and cultural experiences.

The B.A. in Music is designed for students who are double majors or pre-med, and the curriculum guide PDF on this page is designed for the pre-med track specifically.

Job Market

Graduates may develop careers in performance, composition, studio music, church music and private studio instruction. Most graduates pursue medical school or employment in their double major field of study.

Job Outlook

Private music instruction and church music opportunities are readily available each year. Performance opportunities are highly competitive. Elite performers have a significant advantage in pursuing a career in music.

Earnings

Students planning to be music educators must complete the required certification needed for teaching in elementary and secondary education through the BME degree. College and University-level educators must have a masters degree and most positions require a Doctoral degree.



Required Courses

Item #	Title	Credits
MUCT 111	Music Theory I	3
MUCT 121	Ear Training and Sight Singing I	1
MUCT 151	Music Theory II	3
MUCT 161	Ear Training and Sight Singing II	1
MUCT 221	Music Theory III	3
MUCT 251	Music Theory IV	3
	MUCT 315 or MUCT 414	3
MUED 280	Basic Conducting	2
	Music Ensemble (lower division)	2
	Music Ensemble (upper division)	2
	MUHL 321, 322, 323, and 324 Options	6
	Applied Music	7
MUPF 468	Senior Recital	1
	Sub-Total Credits	37

Sample 4 Year Curriculum

General Education Requirements

To view general education requirements for this major please visit: <https://catalog.swau.edu/core-curriculum-for-a-bachelors-degree>

First Year First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Applied Music Requirement	1
CHEM 111	General Chemistry I	4
ENGL 121	Freshman Composition	3
	Kinesiology GE Requirement	1
MUCT 111	Music Theory I	3
MUCT 121	Ear Training and Sight Singing I	1
	Music Ensemble Lower Division Requirement	1
UNIV 111	Wellness for Life	2
	Sub-Total Credits	16

First Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Applied Music Requirement	1
CHEM 112	General Chemistry II	4
COMM 111	Speech	3
	Kinesiology GE Requirement	1
MUCT 151	Music Theory II	3
MUCT 161	Ear Training and Sight Singing II	1
	Music Ensemble Lower Division Requirement	1
	Religion GE Requirement	3
	Sub-Total Credits	17

Second Year First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Applied Music Requirement	1
BIOL 111	General Biology I	4
ENGL 220	Research Writing	3
MUCT 221	Music Theory III	3
MUED 280	Basic Conducting	2
	Music Ensemble Lower Division Requirement	1
PHYS 121	General Physics I	4
	Sub-Total Credits	18

Second Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Applied Music Requirement	1
BIOL 112	General Biology II	4
MATH 141	Introduction to Probability and Statistics	3
MUCT 251	Music Theory IV	3
	Music Ensemble Lower Division Requirement	1
PHYS 122	General Physics II	4
	Sub-Total Credits	16

Third Year First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Applied Music Requirement	1
	Beginning Language Requirement	4
CHEM 231	Organic Chemistry I	4
	MUHL 321, 322, 323, or 324 Option	2
	Music Ensemble Upper Division Requirement	1
	Religion GE Requirement	3
SOCI 111	Introduction to Sociology	3
	Sub-Total Credits	18

Third Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Applied Music Requirement	1
	Beginning Language Requirement	4
CHEM 232	Organic Chemistry II	4
	History GE Requirement	3
	MUHL 321, 322, 323, or 324 Option	2
	Music Ensemble Upper Division Requirement	1
	Religion GE Requirement	3
	Sub-Total Credits	18

Fourth Year First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Applied Music Requirement	1
CHEM 431	Biochemistry I	3
CHEM 432	Biochemistry I Lab	1
	History GE Requirement	3
	Intermediate Language Requirement	3
	MUCT 315 or MUCT 414	3
	Music Ensemble Upper Division Requirement	1
	Sub-Total Credits	18

Fourth Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
CHEM 433	Biochemistry II	3
CHEM 434	Biochemistry II Lab	1
	Intermediate Language Requirement	3
	Literature GE Requirement	3
	MUHL 321, 322, 323, or 324 Option	2
MUPF 468	Senior Recital	1
	Music Ensemble Upper Division Requirement	1
	Religion GE Requirement	3
	Sub-Total Credits	17

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