

Master of Music—COMPOSITION

Student: _____ Major Professor _____

Composition, 3 credits each, including 664-547 and 664-548 Master's Level Composition. **9 credits total.**

Semester			
Course			
Credits	3	3	3
Grade			

Masters Thesis-Composition (Project), 660-990. **3 credits. SEE NOTES BELOW ALSO.** Semester _____ Grade _____

Musicology, 3 credits each. May include 660-411-416, 419, 511, 513, 911. **6 credits total.**

Semester		
Course		
Credits	3	3
Grade		

Music Theory, 3 credits each. May include 660-621-624, 821-824, 921, 922, 925, 926, 927. **6 credits total.**

Semester		
Course		
Credits	3	3
Grade		

Composition Electives, 3 credits each. Advisor approved. May include 660-523, 927, 928, 929. **10 credits total.**

Semester				
Course				
Credits				
Grade				

Projects: Although ideally, every MM project will look different, there are a few criteria students should keep in mind:

- 1) The project should show a certain level of ambition and rigor, either in the size or scope of the creative work chosen (e.g., a chamber opera, string quartet, or larger ensemble work).
- 2) Although it may be based on pre-existing text or other materials, the bulk of the project must be original creative work, done by the MM candidate.
- 3) MM candidates should discuss their projects fully with their Major Professor before starting their projects.

MM COMPOSITION: TOTAL NUMBER OF CREDITS: 34

In the final semester of coursework, all Master's candidates take a written Comprehensive Examination in the Major Area. Each student should make an advising appointment with the School of Music Director of Graduate Studies every semester; this is required before clearance for Comprehensive Exams.

Minimum Graduate Degree Credit Requirement

The Graduate School's minimum graduate degree credit requirement is a degree requirement instituted by the Graduate Faculty Executive Committee to ensure that a graduate degree meets institution accreditation standards (this includes but is not limited to online, thesis/research, independent study, and practicum internships credits).

Minimum Graduate Degree Credit Requirement: 30 credits

Minimum Graduate Residence Credit Requirement

The Graduate School's minimum graduate residence credit requirement for graduation can be satisfied only with courses numbered 300 and above taken as a graduate student at UW-Madison (this includes but is not limited to online, thesis/research, independent study, practicum/internship credits).

Minimum Graduate Residence Credit Requirement: 16 credits

In rare circumstances, courses taken as a University Special student may be allowed to count toward the minimum graduate residence credit requirement. These credits generally are not allowed to count toward the 50% graduate coursework minimum.

Credits applied to the minimum graduate residence credit requirement must be earned while enrolled as a graduate student at UW-Madison and can also count toward the minimum graduate degree credit requirement.