

Bachelor of Music

(Performance, Composition, Musicology/Ethnomusicology)

Course Structure for Performance, Composition, Musicology/Ethnomusicology Specialisation

Upon completion of a performance based first year, students are able to choose a tailored program with the option of specialising in either Music Performance, Composition or Musicology/Ethnomusicology. Completing a specialisation is not compulsory.

Year 1	S1	MUSI10047 - Music History 1: Monteverdi to Mozart	MUSI10220 - Practical Music 1	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Breadth
	S2	MUSI10023 - Music Language 1: the Diatonic World	MUSI10221 - Practical Music 2	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Breadth
Year 2	S1	MUSI20198 - Music History 2: C19th Music and Ideas	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Breadth
	S2	MUSI20061 - Music Language 2: Chromatism and Beyond	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Breadth
Year 3	S1	MUSI30249 - Music History 3: Impressionism to Present	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Breadth or Music Elective
	S2	MUSI30046 - Music Language 3: Modern Directions	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Music Elective (12.5 points)	Breadth or Music Elective

Breadth Subjects

Breadth subjects allow you to gain knowledge and understanding across a broader range of disciplines.

You will need to complete a minimum of four subjects from outside Music, including at least one from level 2 or 3.

Core Subjects

Core subjects are compulsory subjects designed to develop comprehensive skills in your area of specialisation.

Music Elective Subjects

Music electives offer the opportunity to broaden your contextual music knowledge, explore other forms of music-making and tailor your degree to complement your area of specialisation.

NOTES ABOUT THE BACHELOR OF MUSIC

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This specialisation requires the successful completion of 300 points:

- 225 points of music subjects (including eight compulsory subjects)
- 50 points of breadth subjects including at least 12.5 points at level 2 or 3 (and no more than 37.5 points at level 1)
- 25 points of free subjects (either music or breadth) are undertaken at levels 1 to 3
- No more than 125 points may be taken at level 1. It is recommended that free subjects are undertaken in the third year.

Please note:

- Year 1 students are permitted to enrol in level 2 and level 3 12.5-credit-point subjects, provided they meet the subjects' requisite requirements where applicable
- Many electives in the B-MUS are only 6.25 credit points, often resulting in more than 4 subjects per semester
- The Composition specialisation has 6 x 12.5 point compulsory subjects
- The Performance specialisation has 4 x 12.5 point compulsory subjects
- The Musicology/Ethnomusicology specialisations have 2 x 12.5 point compulsory subjects
- Ensemble electives often require an audition to participate
- Pianists must take MUSI10016 Art of Piano Teaching in their electives.

For more information:

Handbook entry for Bachelor of Music:
handbook.unimelb.edu.au/courses/b-mus

Course Information page:
[mcm.unimelb.edu.au/study/degrees/
bachelor-of-music/overview](http://mcm.unimelb.edu.au/study/degrees/bachelor-of-music/overview)

Melbourne Conservatorium of Music:
mcm.unimelb.edu.au

PLAN YOUR COURSE

STEP 1: BUILD

Add the core subjects to your Course Map first.

Core subjects are compulsory subjects that must be completed in order to meet the requirements of your course. These subjects are usually prerequisites for later subjects, which means you need to successfully pass these to be able to progress to the next subject.

STEP 2: EXPLORE

Select elective subjects which can complement a major pathway or allow you to pursue other areas of interest.

There may or may not be prerequisites for majors or other options down the track.

Elective subjects (also referred to as optional subjects) are discipline subjects from your Faculty.

Courses that require completion of electives or optional subjects allow you to choose from a list which is available in the University Handbook.

STEP 3: EXPAND

You will usually need to complete at least four breadth subjects as part of your course.

You can build coherent breadth tracks (approved sets of three or more subjects) or select single subjects of interest.

Breadth subjects are from disciplines outside your degree. Breadth subjects allow you to gain knowledge and understanding across a broader range of disciplines, enabling you to develop interests and opportunities in areas distinct from your core studies.

STEP 4: SPECIALISE

You might not need to decide on a major right away but many Year 2 and 3 subjects leading to a major, minor or specialisation have prerequisites that you should review.

A **major, minor or specialisation** refers to a concentration of subjects that equips you with specialised knowledge in your chosen field of study.

Each course has **different requirements** for a major, minor or specialisation. For example, while some offer a selection of subjects to choose from, others have a fixed set of subjects.

UNDECIDED?

If you are undecided about your major, you can start with the subjects that you are interested in and work forwards; what later level subjects and majors do these subjects lead to?

For most majors, you don't need to decide in Year 1, but understanding where your subjects can lead is important as you proceed through your course.

PLAN YOUR COURSE (continued)

Use the blank course structure below as a guide to plan your course. It is easiest to plan your course while referring to your course-specific requirements and the University Handbook.

You do not have to plan your whole degree at this point but the subjects that you choose in Year 1 can impact on your choices in Year 2 and 3.

Remember to consult the University Handbook to find out more about course requirements and subject availability, as well as breadth and elective options: handbook.unimelb.edu.au

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WHAT DO I DO NEXT? ENROL IN YOUR SUBJECTS (STUDY PLAN)

Once you have mapped your subjects you can add them to your Study Plan via my.unimelb for the current year only.

For information about enrolling in subjects visit: students.unimelb.edu.au/admin/enrol-in-subjects

Please note: You normally have until the end of the second week of classes to change your subject selection for the semester.

EXPAND YOUR POSSIBILITIES AT MELBOURNE

Your Melbourne degree offers a number of exciting ways to receive credit for study.

Consider **studying overseas** via an Exchange or Fee-paying opportunity, or a University of Melbourne Overseas Subject.

Complete an additional area of study by enrolling in a 100-point **concurrent diploma** alongside your bachelors degree.

Check your faculty's **practical experience** options for internships, work placements, research or volunteering subjects. These are a great way to put knowledge and skills into practice.

There are also opportunities outside of the classroom to enhance and complement your study. Some of these include industry events, public lectures and professional skills workshops, or you can volunteer in your community, meet with an alumni mentor or join a student club.

Your faculty or school website and student newsletter are great places to find out about these opportunities.

REALISE YOUR ACADEMIC POTENTIAL

Academic Skills

Academic Skills offers resources and services to support students to achieve academic success during their studies. This includes the Academic Skills Hub LMS community, online modules, workshops, drop-in sessions and individual appointments: services.unimelb.edu.au/academicskills

English as an Additional Language?

English as an Additional Language subjects can help you study effectively by developing your ability to communicate ideas clearly and fluently using academic English language. These subjects can be done as breadth: go.unimelb.edu.au/nvt6

International students: please note you must be enrolled full-time unless you have approval to reduce your study load.

HELPFUL LINKS

Finding Uni terms and definitions confusing?

- Use the University glossary to understand it all: students.unimelb.edu.au/admin/unispeak

Need support?

- The University of Melbourne offers one of the most comprehensive student support networks in Australia: services.unimelb.edu.au/finder

Where are the libraries?

- Locations and opening hours: library.unimelb.edu.au

WHAT NEXT?

Create your timetable

Check when class registration opens for your subjects: students.unimelb.edu.au/admin/class-registration

Attend your First Year at Melbourne appointment

Find out more and book online: students.unimelb.edu.au/first-year-at-melbourne

Go to Orientation

Discover the campus, make new friends and experience university life: orientation.unimelb.edu.au

Class start dates

- Semester 1: Monday 4 March
- Semester 2: Monday 29 July

Tips to help you get class-ready

- Check where your classes are located: maps.unimelb.edu.au
- Log into the learning management system (LMS) for subject information (including required reading and textbooks): app.lms.unimelb.edu.au
- Note the key University dates: unimelb.edu.au/dates
- Follow Stop 1 on Facebook and Twitter: [@uomstop1](https://twitter.com/uomstop1)
- Follow First Year at Melbourne on Facebook and Instagram: [@firstyearatunimelb](https://www.instagram.com/firstyearatunimelb)

HOW CAN STOP 1 HELP?

Stop 1 is here to connect you with a range of support services throughout your degree.

The University offers a range of workshops, programs and expert advice to help with:

- enrolment and course planning
- health and wellbeing
- housing and financial aid
- equity and disability support
- transition to university
- academic skills and learning support
- careers and volunteering
- studying overseas

Remember, our support services are not just for when things go wrong but also to extend and develop your skills and experience.

For more information:

Contact Stop 1 online, on the phone and in person: students.unimelb.edu.au/stop1

Access student services at Southbank: students.unimelb.edu.au/stop1/southbank

Find out the best way to manage your admin, study effectively, maximise your wellbeing and prepare for your future: students.unimelb.edu.au