

2025 - 2026 Old Dominion University Catalog

Bachelor of Music (BM) with an Emphasis in Sound Recording Technology

Sample four year curriculum with a suggested ordering of courses. Students may re-order as needed.

** indicates not automatically waived with transferrable associates degree, C or better required for transfer.*

*Courses in **green** are waived by the completion of an Associate degree (Not eligible for Applied Associate degrees).*

YEAR 1 - FRESHMAN (29 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (14 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 110C (C or better required)	ENG 111*	Mathematical Skills	Transfer Guide
MUSC 101		MUSC 102	
MUSA 161		MUSA 162	
Small or Large Ensemble		Small or Large Ensemble	
MUSC 221 (Grade of C or better required)		MUSC 113	
MUSC 223 (Grade of C or better required)		MUSC 222 (Grade of C or better required)	
MUSC 150 & 160 (2 credits)		MUSC 224 (Grade of C or better required)	
MUSC 335T		MUSC 266 (Grade of C- or better required) (1 credit)	
MUSC 311+		MUSC 311+	
YEAR 2 - SOPHOMORE (35-36 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (18 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (17-18 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
ENGL 211C or 231C (C or better required)	ENG 112, 113, 115, 131*	Literature	Transfer Guide
Interpreting the Past	Transfer Guide	Oral Communication	Transfer Guide
Small or Large Ensemble		Small or Large Ensemble	
MUSC 321 (Grade of C or better required)		Music Theory Electives (Grade of C- or better required)	
MUSC 323 (Grade of C or better required)		MUSC 320	
MUSC 361 (Grade of C- or better required)		MUSC 362W (Grade of C or better required)	
MUSC 315		MUSA 262	
MUSA 261		MUSC 311+	
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YEAR 3 - JUNIOR (33 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (17 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (16 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
Nature of Science I	Transfer Guide	Human Creativity (May not use MUSC 264A or 126A)	Transfer Guide
Large or small ensemble**		Nature of Science II	Transfer Guide
MUSA 361		Large or small ensemble**	
MUSC 309		MUSA 362	
MUSC 415		MUSC 435	
MUSC 355		Music History Elective	
Sound Recording Tech Elective 1		MUSC 311+	
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YEAR 4 - SENIOR (27 CREDITS)			
FALL SEMESTER (15 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:	SPRING SEMESTER (12 credits)	VCCS Equivalency:
Human Behavior	Transfer Guide	Sound Recording Tech Elective 2	
Information Literacy and Research	Transfer Guide	MUSC 368: Music Industry Internship	
Philosophy and Ethics	Transfer Guide	<u>Upper Division Gen. Ed. Course:***</u>	
Large or small ensemble**		300-/400-level course in minor subject	
MUSA 461		300-/400-level course in minor subject	
MUSC 333			

Language and Culture requirement is not included in this four-year plan. Additional credits may be needed. Please see catalog for details.

*See catalog and speak to advisor about course options.

**Large ensembles include: symphonic band, wind ensemble, symphony orchestra, concert choir and guitar ensemble. Students studying applied guitar in the BM with an Emphasis in Sound Recording and Technology program may substitute jazz orchestra or other similar option for their large ensemble with approval from the Director of SRT and Program Advisor.

Small ensembles may include: Commercial Music Ensemble, Madrigal Singers, Collegium Musicum, Opera and Musical Theater Production and Performance, new music ensemble, brass choir, clarinet choir, flute choir, jazz choir, jazz orchestra, and chamber music groups of varied sizes and instrumentation (brass, woodwind, percussion, guitar, string, piano, mixed ensembles, etc.).

Small ensemble offerings may vary each semester; check the class schedule for the latest ensemble availability.

***Upper Division General Education may be satisfied by several options. Consult your catalog and advisor for your best option.

Students who transfer must audition for acceptance. Also they must take placement tests in music theory, ear-training and sight-singing, regardless of any previous classes they may have taken at other institutions.

PLEASE NOTE: All Bachelor of Music, with Emphasis in Sound Recording Technology majors are required to enroll in and pass MUSC 311+, the zero credit Recital Attendance class, for a total of six semesters in order to be eligible for graduation. Also, students must earn Usher Credit by ushering at a total of six approved events to be eligible for graduation. Refer to the MUSC 311+ syllabus and the Music Student Handbook for complete information.

Requirements for graduation include a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.00 overall and in the major, a grade of C or better in all courses required for the major, including prerequisite courses, 120 credit hours, which must include both a minimum of 30 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours in upper-level courses in the major program from Old Dominion University, completion of ENGL 110C, ENGL 211C or 221C or 231C, and a writing intensive (W) course in the major with a grade of C or better, and completion of Senior Assessment.

This four-year plan is a suggested curriculum to complete this degree program in four years. It is just one of several plans that will work and is presented only as broad guidance to students. Each student is strongly encouraged to develop a customized plan in consultation with their academic advisor. Additional information can also be found in Degree Works.