Overview

The Music Studies minor examines music as a manifestation of culture and society, as an intellectual product and as a specific reflection of experience. Musicological methodologies are central to the disciplinary study of music. The minor in Music Studies enables you to develop your musicianship, musical skills and contextual understanding of music in preparation for professional work in music areas as diverse as broadcasting, recording, arts administration and advocacy, concert planning, and music and general arts journalism.
Faculty
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

School
School of Arts and Media

Study Level
Undergraduate

Minimum Units of Credit
24

Specialisation Type
Minor
Learning Outcomes

1. Undertake rigorous and engaged scholarly enquiry and analysis
   Professionals  Scholars

2. Demonstrate executant musical skill through individual and/or ensemble performance
   Professionals

3. Exhibit initiative and self-direction
   Professionals  Leaders

4. Engage proactively with complex problems in professional practice and/or scholarship.
   Professionals  Scholars

5. Explain the relationship between various musics and their historical, social, cultural and technological contexts.
   Scholars

6. Demonstrate knowledge of the materials, structures and processes of music.
   Scholars

7. Collaborate effectively with others.
   Leaders  Professionals

8. Communicate and debate complex ideas in a range of different contexts using a variety of suitable media
   Leaders  Professionals  Scholars

9. Critically and creatively employ disciplinary bodies of knowledge and appraise disciplinary perspectives in professional practice and/or scholarship.
   Professionals  Scholars

10. Justify a position in relation to foundational aspects of society, culture and/or the arts
   Global Citizens  Scholars  Professionals

11. Continuously acquire knowledge and skills and reflect on existing knowledge and skills for personal and career fulfilment.
    Scholars  Professionals  Leaders

12. Act ethically, respectfully and responsibly
    Scholars  Professionals  Global Citizens
Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this link.
Available in Program(s)

Program(s) in which this minor is available

**Bachelor of Arts - BA**

**3409 Arts**

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Campus: Kensington  
Units of Credit: 144  
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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**Bachelor of Media - BMedia**

**3429 Media (Comm & Journalism)**

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Campus: Kensington  
Units of Credit: 144  
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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**Bachelor of Media - BMedia**

**3434 Media (PR and Advertising)**

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Campus: Kensington  
Units of Credit: 144  
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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**Bachelor of Media - BMedia**

**3438 Media (Screen and Sound Production)**

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Campus: Kensington  
Units of Credit: 144  
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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**Bachelor of Arts and Business - BArts (Bus)**

**3444 Arts and Business**
Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 144
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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3453 Media (Public Relations and Advertising)

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 144
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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3454 Media (Communication and Journalism)

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 144
Typical Duration: 3 Years

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Specialisation Structure

Students must complete 24 UOC.

ARTS/EDUCATION (SECONDARY) STUDENTS

The minor in Music Studies (24 uoc) must not be taken as it is not an approved teaching specialisation

Level 1 Core Courses

You must take 12 UOC of the following courses:
- MUSC1602 (6 UOC) & MUSC4706 (6 UOC) or
- MUSC1708 (12 UOC)
Note: MUSC1708 BA Performance Laboratory A (4 UOC) will be taught as a multi-term course each term (T1, T2, T3) and you will be enrolled to a total of 12 UOC for the year.

MUSC1602 | 6 UOC
Materials and Structures of Music 1

MUSC1708 | 4 UOC
BA Performance Laboratory A

MUSC4706 | 6 UOC
Music Ensemble

Level 2 Prescribed Electives

You must take 6 UOC of the following courses.

MUSC1602 | 6 UOC
Materials and Structures of Music 1

MUSC1603 | 6 UOC
Materials and Structures of Music 2

MUSC1604 | 6 UOC
Western Music: a Panorama
MUSC2116 | 6 UOC  
Sound, Society and Self in World Music

**Level 3 Prescribed Electives**

You must take 6 UOC of the following courses.

MUSC2113 | 6 UOC  
Film Music

MUSC2118 | 6 UOC  
Music and Culture in Bali: An Overseas Fieldtrip

MUSC2804 | 6 UOC  
Music at the edge

MUSC3104 | 6 UOC  
Contemplating Jazz: History, Style, Reception

MUSC3105 | 6 UOC  
Psychology of Music

MUSC3162 | 6 UOC  
Twentieth Century Music

MUSC4706 | 6 UOC  
Music Ensemble

**Enrolment Disclaimer**

Unless advised otherwise by your program authority, you should follow the rules for the handbook for the year you commenced your program. You are also responsible for ensuring you enrol in courses according to your program requirements. myUNSW enrolment checks that you have met enrolment requirements such as pre-requisites for individual courses but not that a course will count towards your program requirements.
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