Suggestions for Pre-Music Majors

University policy states that students must select and declare a major by the time they have 60 earned BYU credit hours (excluding language exam credits). Once a student has 75 earned BYU credit hours (excluding exam credits), they will not be allowed to change their major, unless special permission is granted.

Since pre-music is not a viable major for graduation, students must apply, audition, and be accepted to the School of Music before they have reached 60 earned BYU credit hours (excluding exam credits).

To apply and audition for the School of Music: application and audition information is located at http://cfac.byu.edu/music/undergrad-admissions/, or in the School of Music Office at C-550 HFAC (801-422-8903). Please note that students may only apply for one emphasis/instrument.

Upon acceptance, students may have the option of taking first year theory core (Music 193-198) during Spring and Summer so they can begin second year theory core (Music 293-298) and lessons in the Fall and Winter. Contact the School of Music office at 801-422-8903 or the Fine Arts & Communications Advisement Center at 801-422-3777 for further information.

### Suggested Courses for Fall and Winter semesters:

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### Course Descriptions of Suggested Courses for Pre-Music Majors

Note: These music courses (and most other music courses) can count toward the music minor.

- **Music 201 and 202** History of Civilization courses fill the Civilization requirement for the University Core.
- **Music 190, Music Fundamentals** helps students prepare for required theory and aural skills courses within the major.
- **Music 160R, Private Instruction** helps students prepare for the audition in January.
- **Approved Ensembles** may count toward the major before you are accepted.
- **Music 113, Basic Piano Skills** helps students with basic music skills, and prepares them for required piano courses within the major.
- **Music 176, Careers in Music Education** is required for students applying to Music Education programs.

For specific recommendations based on your desired program in the School of Music, please email randa_alvord@byu.edu (please include your student ID number), or call the Fine Arts & Communications Advisement Center at (801) 422-3777.
Approved Ensembles for the Music Major

Please see the Music MAP of your chosen major for specific details on this important requirement. All ensembles are by audition only. Please call the School of Music at (801) 422-4784 for audition information.

Category 1: Approved Large Ensembles:
- Music 312R – Men’s Chorus
- Music 313R – Women’s Chorus
- Music 314R – Concert Choir
- Music 315R – University Singers
- Music 325R – Symphonic Band
- Music 326R – Wind Symphony
- Music 337R – Symphony Orchestra
- Music 338R – Philharmonic Orchestra

Category 2: Other Approved Ensembles:
- Music 316R – Opera Workshop
- Music 317R – Opera Ensemble
- Music 320R – Young Ambassadors
- Music 323R – Marching Band
- Music 324R – Cougar Band
- Music 330R – Steel Band
- Music 331R – Jazz Combos
- Music 332R – YA Show Band
- Music 333R – Vocal Jazz Ensemble
- Music 333R – Jazz Ensemble (big band)
- Music 333R – Jazz Lab Band
- Music 334R – Synthesis
- Music 335R – Jazz Legacy Band
- Music 336R – Balinese Gamelan
- Music 339R – Chamber Orchestra
- Music 340R – Harp Ensemble
- Music 341R – Brass Chamber Music
- Music 342R – Early Music Ensemble
- Music 343R – Guitar Ensemble
- Music 344R – Keyboard in Ensemble
- Music 345R – Percussion Ensemble
- Music 346R – String Chamber Music
- Music 348R – Woodwind Chamber Music
- Music 441R – New Music Ensemble