

Freshman Curriculum Planning Guide and One-Year Plan

Instrumental Studies

Fayetteville State University

(2026-2027)

This plan presents the first two semesters of the attached Instrumental Studies four-year degree plan. Students should work with an advisor to confirm prerequisites, placement/testing requirements, course availability, and individual degree progress.

Year 1 Fall

Requirement	Course	Cr
University Studies	UNIV 101	1
Written Communication	ENGL 110	3
Basic Musicianship (May Test Out)	MUSI 100	3
Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 123	4
Humanities/Creative Arts	MUSI 260 – African American Music	3
Major Ensemble	MUSI 110 or MUSI 160 or MUSI 191 or MUSI 192	1
Basic Piano Skills* (may test out; required as pre-req for Piano Skills I)	MUSI 102	1
Applied Instrument (Brass/Woodwinds/Percussion/Strings)	MUSI 1XX	1
Music Seminar/Recital Hour	MUSI 165	0
Total:		17

Year 1 Spring

Requirement	Course	Cr
University Studies	UNIV 102	1
Information Literacy	ENG 120	3
Harmony, Sight-singing & Ear-training I	MUSI 152	3
Transitional Studies – Life Skills	FINC 100 or HEED 112	2
Music Seminar/Recital Hour	MUSI 165	0
Applied Instrument (Brass/Woodwinds/Percussion/Strings)	MUSI 1XX	1
Major Ensemble	MUSI 110 or MUSI 160 or MUSI 191 or MUSI 192	1
Global Literacy Requirement	ANTH 210 or ART 150	3
Total:		14

Freshman Year Total: 31 Credits

Notes

- An audition is required to enter the program.
- MUSI 100 Basic Musicianship and MUSI 102 Basic Piano Skills may be tested out of as indicated in the source plan.
- MUSI 165 Music Seminar/Recital Hour carries 0 credit but is included in both freshman semesters.