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School of Music

Degree Path: Bachelor of Fine Arts in Electronic Music

Students should consult with the Senior Academic Advisor to ensure successful and on-time degree completion.

Consult with the Senior Academic Advisor, Faculty Advisor(s), and/or instructors of record about appropriate course sections where necessary.

FIRST-YEAR FALL (must be completed as indicated below)				FIRST-YEAR SPRING		RING	
	#	Course Title	Units		#	Course Title	Units
1	57100	Convocation	1	1	57100	Convocation	1
2	57149/152	Basic Harmony I or Harmony I*	9	2	57150/153	Harmony II or Basic Harmony II	9
3	57161	Eurhythmics I	3	3	57162	Eurhythmics II	3
4	57180/181/185	Basic Solfege I, Solfege I, or Advanced Solfege I*	3	4	57182/186	Solfege II or Advanced Solfege II	3
5	57191/193	Keyboard Studies I or III*	3	5	57192/194	Keyboard Studies II or IV	3
6	57358	Introduction to Electronic Music	9	6	57345	Twisted Signals: Multimedia Processing for the Arts	10
7	57421	Exploded Ensemble**	6	7	57421	Exploded Ensemble	6
8	57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)	9	8	57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)	9
9	57560	Electronic Music Seminar	3	9	57560	Electronic Music Seminar	3
10	761XX	First-Year Writing Course (FYW)	9	10	XXXXX	Global, Cultural, and Diverse Perspectives Course (GCD)***	9
11	99101	Core@CMU	3				
		TOTAL	L 58			TOTAL	. 56

^{*} Placement in these courses determined by test prior to matriculation. Students will then complete the series in sequence.

Any History course 79-100 or higher or

Any English course 76-200 or higher or

Any Modern Languages course 82-100 or higher

SECOND-YEAR FALL				SECOND-YEAR SPRING				
	#	Course Title	Units		#	Course Title		Units
1	57100	Convocation	1	1	57100	Convocation		1
2	57163	Eurhythmics III	3	2	57164	Eurhythmics IV		3
3	57173	Survey of Western Music History	9	3	57184/488	Solfege IV or Advanced Solfege IV		3
4	57183/487	Solfege III or Advanced Solfege III	3	4	57194	Keyboard Studies IV		3
5	57188	Repertoire & Listening for Musicians (57173 co-req)	1	5	57408	Form and Analysis		6
6	57193	Keyboard Studies III	3	6	57421/4XX	Exploded Ensemble or other Ensemble		6
7	57257	Orchestration I	6	7	57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)		9
8	57421	Exploded Ensemble	6	8	57560	Electronic Music Seminar		3
9	57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)	9	9	57XXX	Music Elective		9
10	57560	Electronic Music Seminar	3	10	XXXXX	Electronic Music Support Course		9
11	XXXXX	Electronic Music Support Course	9					
		TOTA	L 53				TOTAL	52

^{**} EM students must take at least 3 semesters of 57421 Exploded Ensemble, after which they can enroll in other 6-unit ensembles only, if they choose.

^{***} For Global, Cultural, and Diverse Perspectives, the following courses qualify:

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THIRD-YEAR FALL			TH	THIRD-YEAR SPRING				
	#	Course Title	Units		#	Course Title		Units
1	15104 or	Introduction to Computing for Creative Practice or	10	1	57344	Experimental Sound Synthesis		9
	15110 or	Principles of Computing or		2	57359	Audiovisual Composition		9
	15112	Fundamentals of Programming & Computer Science (1	2 units)	3	57421/4XX	Exploded Ensemble or other Ensemble		6
2	57332	Introduction to Conducting	6	4	57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)		9
3	57421/4XX	Exploded Ensemble or other Ensemble	6	5	57560	Electronic Music Seminar		3
4	57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)	9	6	XXXXX	General Studies Course		9
5	57560	Electronic Music Seminar	3					
6	XXXXX	Electronic Music Support Course	9					
7	XXXXX	General Studies Course	9					
<u></u>	·	TOTA	L 52				TOTAL	45

FOURTH-YEAR FALL				FOURTH-YEAR SPRING			
#	Course Title	U	Inits		#	Course Title	Units
1 57421/4XX	Exploded Ensemble or other Ensemble		6	1	57421/4XX	Exploded Ensemble or other Ensemble	6
<i>2</i> 57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)		9	2	57523	Major Studio (Electronic Music)	9
<i>3</i> 57560	Electronic Music Seminar		3	3	57560	Electronic Music Seminar	3
4 57XXX	Music Elective		9	4	57595	Senior Electronic Music Project ^o	1
5 XXXXX	Electronic Music Support Course		9	5	57XXX	Music Elective	9
6 XXXXX	General Studies Course		9	6	XXXXX	Electronic Music Support Course	6
				7	XXXXX	General Studies Course	9
		TOTAL	45				43

TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED FOR MAJOR 404

[°] Senior Electronic Music Project may be taken in either the senior fall or spring semester.

Music Courses	Units	Other Categories	Units
Major Studio	72	CMU Mandatory Courses (Core@CMU, FYW, GCD)	21
Ensemble (Exploded or other Ensemble)	48	General Studies (non-57XXX courses)	36
Electronic Music Support	42	15104, 15110, or 15112	10/12
Music Electives	27		
Electronic Music Seminar	24		
Convocation	4		
Other Music Courses	120		