

Music Therapy

The student majoring in music therapy will be prepared to practice as a professional music therapist. The student will develop strong foundations in music and clinical skills, e.g., principles of therapy, exceptionality, and the therapeutic relationship. Specific music therapy competencies include: client assessment, implementation of music therapy strategies, evaluation, documentation, termination, and interdisciplinary team work. After course work is completed, the student will engage in 1,040 hours of clinical internship at an approved site. This prepares the student to sit for the Board Certification Examination to earn the MT-BC (Music Therapist – Board Certified) credential. The student will learn music therapy interventions for a wide variety of clients, as practiced in five field work assignments concurrent with coursework: in special education, elder care, research, psychiatry and medicine. The student will apply ethical principles and standards of practice in a quickly changing health care environment and mental health network. Students interested in music therapy must apply for admission to the Music Therapy Department before final approval of the declaration of major can be given. An application and instructions for the Music Therapy Interview and Audition may be obtained from the Music Therapy Department or online at berklee.edu/majors/music_therapy.html. Students who have completed a degree in music from an accredited college may be eligible for the Music Therapy Equivalency Certificate. (Degree only.)

Music Therapy Concentrate

*46 Credits Required for Degree (including internship)***

Completion of certification and degree requirements for the music therapy major at Berklee College of Music is likely to take more than four years.

Course Number	Course Title	Semesters:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
MTH-201	Introduction to International Music Therapy				3						
MTH-231	Music in Special Education				2						
MTH-232	Music Therapy Practicum 1: Special Education				2						
MTH-311	Psychology of Music					2					
MTH-312	Music Therapy Practicum 2: Clinical Application					2					
MTH-351	Exceptional Children				3						
LSOC-301	Behavioral Assessment and Observation					3					
LSOC-421	Abnormal Psychology						3				
MTH-331	Research in Music Therapy						2				
MTH-332	Music Therapy Practicum 3: Research						2				
MTH-411	Music in Psychotherapy								2		
MTH-412	Music Therapy Practicum 4: Adults								2		
MTH-281	Technology for Music Therapists								2		
MTH-431	Music Therapy and Medicine									2	
MTH-432	Music Therapy Practicum 5: Clinical Application									2	
MTH-495	Music Therapy Internship (2 credit postcourse work)										2
ISGT-231 & 232	Guitar Class 1 & 2			1	1						
ISPC-231	Percussion Class for Music Therapy				1						
ISKB-221 & 222	Keyboard Class 1 & 2 (Music Education)		1	1							
ILVC-210	Elements of Vocal Technique for Non-Voice Prin.						1				
	Approved Specified Electives*			2					2		

*Approved Specified Electives (select from the following): AR-112, FS-221, HR-325, LHAN-345, MB-101, MB-211, ME-325, ME-341, PM-340, SW-211, SW-221.

**Total required credits include two post-course work internship credits.

Core Music: 44 Credits Required for Degree

PERF 1-4	Performance Core* <i>Private Instruction, Ensembles, and Labs</i>	3	3	3	3						
PW-111	Music Application and Theory	3									
AR-111	Arranging 1		2								
HR-112-212	Harmony 2-4		2	2	2						
ET-111 & 112	Ear Training 1 & 2		2	2							
ER-231 & 232	Solfege 3 & 4			2	2						
CM-211 & 212	Tonal Harmony and Composition 1 & 2					2	2				
CP-210	The Art of Counterpoint								3		
COND-221 or 222	Vocal or Instrumental Conducting for Music Education Majors							2			
LHAN-211 & 212	History of Western Music 1 & 2					2	2				

*Students are required to enroll in an ensemble during their first 4 full-time semesters. Additionally, in semesters 2-4 they must select either a 50-minute lesson (2 credits) or a 30-minute lesson (1 credit) with a corequisite 1-hour lab (1 credit - ILXX course)

Liberal Arts: 30 Credits Required for Degree

MTEC-111	Introduction to Music Technology	2									
LHUM-100	Artistry, Creativity, and Inquiry	2									
LHUM-400	Professional Development Seminar						2				
LENG-111 & 201	Writing and Communication & Literature	3	3								
LSOC-xxx	Any course in music and society							3			
LAHS-xxx	Any course in art history									3	
LHIS-xxx	Any course in history		3								
LSOC-211	General Psychology					3					
LMSC-424	Human Anatomy and Physiology									3	
LSOC-xxx	Any additional psychology elective									3	

Total Required Credits: 120 credits for degree

For the most current information on degree requirements, consult the Office of the Registrar.