

Department of Music

About the department

The internationally renowned Department of Music is one of the largest and most distinguished in the United Kingdom and in the 2008 government-led Research Assessment Exercise, the department was rated top in the country. The modules listed below are available to all Study Abroad, International Exchange and European Exchange students, provided that sufficient prior knowledge and experience of the subject can be shown where required. The Music Department reserves the right to review each application to assess the suitability of the applicant and his/her chosen module(s).

Entry requirements

The modules listed below are open to all Study Abroad, International and European Exchange students, subject to any required previous knowledge or qualifications, as stated in the module outlines below. Each module is either 15 or 30 UK credits and starts in either the Autumn Term (September) or the Spring Term (January).

Level One Modules: There are no formal pre-requisites, but a background in music and music theory is seen as very beneficial to students. Students without A Level Music or Grade 8 ABRSM Theory (or equivalent) will be required to take MU1111 Fundamentals of Music Theory in their first term.

Level Two Modules: A solid foundation in the rudiments of Western music (an ability to read music fluently, identify key signatures, rhythms, etc.) plus an understanding of Western harmony (an ability to write and/or identify harmonic progressions) is required for Intermediate modules, as well as completion of any first year modules at undergraduate level in music theory.

Level Three Modules: Advanced knowledge and extensive experience in the subject area and at least two years of experience is expected. Please note that these are advanced modules, typically equal to senior year/graduate level work in the USA.

Performance Modules: Subject to an audition that will take place once you arrive on campus. If you have requested a performance module, be prepared for a 10 minute audition, but also have a back-up course module.

The information contained in the course outlines on the following pages is correct at the time of publication but may be subject to change as part of our policy of continuous improvements and development.



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Module options for visiting students

Module number	Module title	Run time	UK Credits	Link to Syllabus
MU1111	Fundamentals of Music Theory	UG Autumn term	15.00	MU1111 Fundamentals of Music Theory
MU1114	Very Short History of Music	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU1114 Very Short History of Music
MU1116	Introduction to World Music	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU1116 Intro to World Music
MU1110	Theory and Analysis	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU1110 Syllabus Information
MU1115	Intro to Hist Musicology	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU1115 Intro to Hist Musicology
MU1117	Contemporary Debates	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU1117 Contemp Debates in Music
MU1112v	Creative Composition Techniques	UG Autumn/Spring	15.00	MU1112v Creative Composition Techniques
MU1119	Creative Ensemble Performance	UG Autumn/Spring	15.00	MU1119 Creative Ensemble Performance
MU2230	Music Aesthetics	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU2230 Syllabus Information
MU2253	Mozart's Operas	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU2253 Syllabus Information
MU2304	Music, Sound and the Moving Image	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU2304 Syllabus Information



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MU2411	Music, Environment, Ecology	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU2411 Syllabus Information
MU2410	Music and Video Games	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU2410 Syllabus Information
MU2357	Digital Music Entrepreneurship	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU2357 Syllabus Information
MU2286	Wagner's Ring	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU2286 Syllabus Information
MU2260	Russian Music, Literature, Film	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU2308 Syllabus Information
MU2353	Orchestras around the World	UG Spring term	15.00	MU2353 Syllabus Information
MU2400	Music and Society in Purcell's London	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU2400 Syllabus Information
MU3411	Music, Environment, Ecology	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU3411 Syllabus Information
MU3304	Music, Sound and the Moving Image	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU3304 Syllabus Information
MU3410	Music and Video Games	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU3410 Syllabus Information
MU3357	Digital Music Entrepreneurship	UG Autumn Term	15.00	MU3357 Syllabus Information
MU3400	Music and Society in Purcell's London	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU3400 Syllabus Information
MU3286	Wagner's Ring	UG Spring Term	15.00	MU3286 Syllabus Information



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