

## UMBC UGC Program Changes & Other Request: Music Minor

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### Specifics (see instructions):

#### Current Music Theory requirements for Music Minor:

## Music Minor



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Only 6 transfer credits will be accepted as requirements for the music minor, and they must be from at least two areas of coursework (i.e. lessons, ensembles, music history/appreciation, music theory).

## Music Theory (3 credits)

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- [MUSC 101 - Fundamentals of Music Theory \(3.00\)](#)

Students with advanced Music Theory skills may contact the Music Department for placement testing.

#### New Music Theory requirements for Music Minor:

### Music Theory (3 credits)

MUSC 101 – Fundamentals of Music Theory (3.00)

OR

MUSC 102 – Advanced Music Fundamentals (3.00)

Students who are highly proficient in Music Fundamental skills may contact the Music Department for placement into MUSC 125 Music Theory I.

### Rationale (see instructions):

The Music Department currently offers MUSC 101 Fundamentals of Music Theory for three types of students: 1) music majors who failed the music theory placement test, 2) music minors, and 3) non-music students seeking an Arts & Humanities GEP course. However, these three types of students come into the class with vastly diverse musical backgrounds and abilities, and a single MUSC 101 class cannot serve all these student groups well. Therefore, the music department would like to create a new course that teaches more advanced music fundamentals to students who can already read musical notation reasonably well but need an intensive review to gain the fundamental fluency required for more advanced musical studies.

If this new MUSC 102 course is approved, music minor students would then have the option to choose between using MUSC 101 or MUSC 102 to fulfill their music theory requirement.