

Studying Music at UCD

Students can study music at UCD as a major subject within the BA programme, or they can focus on music by transferring to the Bachelor of Music (BMus) after the successful completion of the first year.* More information available at www.ucd.ie/music.

Stage One

BA/BMus / 20 Credits

- Music, Culture and Society
- Writing about Music
- Music Theory and Musicianship 1
- Music Theory and Musicianship 2

A selection of performance modules are available as electives in the first year.

Stage Two

BMus / 50 Credits

- Studies in Irish Music
- Musics of the World
- Baroque Counterpoint
- Early Music History
- Music History since 1750
- Harmony and Keyboard Harmony
- Formal Analysis
- Two performance modules
- One other level 2 or level 3 music module of their choice.

BA / 25 Credits

- Early Music History
- Music History since 1750
- Harmony and Keyboard Harmony
- Formal Analysis
- One module from the following:
 - Studies in Irish Music
 - Musics of the World

Stage Three

BMus / 50 Credits

- Dissertation/Recital
- Seminar in Musicology
- Two 10-credit modules from a list of option modules
- Two performance modules
- Additional level 2 or level 3 music modules of their choice worth 10 credits.

BA / 25 Credits

- Seminar in Musicology
- Two modules from a list of option modules

*Students wishing to transfer to the BMus should earn at least a 3.2 in Music modules. There is an option to transfer after first year; there is also an option to transfer after completing the BA by adding a fourth year.

The UCD School of Music also offers the following postgraduate degrees: Master in Musicology (Historical Musicology or Ethnomusicology), Master of Literature, and PhD.