The Master of Music degree in Composition is intended for musicians who desire to pursue graduate study in the field of composition in order to continue the development of their creative skills and prepare for a career as a professional composer either in the public sector or in college/university settings. The goals of the Master of Music degrees are to provide advanced training in a specific emphasis area, confer degrees to students who can communicate musical knowledge in oral and written form and prepare students for employment in the field of music.

**Major Studies:**

MUS 510: Counterpoint 3 credits
MUS 511: Orchestration 3 credits
MUS 659: Composition (3 semesters) 6 credits
MUS 631: Composition Project 3 credits*
MUS 591VM: Composition for Visual Media or
MUS 586: MIDI Studio Tech** or
MUS 591C: Seminar in Electronic Music Composition 3 credits

**Other Music Studies:**

THEORY AND HISTORY: Three required (2+1 or 1+2) from among the approved courses listed on page 15 of this document 9 credits
THEORY, HISTORY, EDUCATION: One required from among the approved courses listed on page 15 of this document 3 credits
Ensemble 2 credits

**Electives:**

Electives 1 credit

**Total for the MM in Composition:** 33 credits

* Composition Project will consist of one original composition in large form.
** Repeatable

NOTE: A fourth semester of MUS 659 Composition Lessons may be required concurrent with MUS 631 Composition Project. This will be determined by the major professor in consultation with the student.