

# UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

KATHRINE G. McGOVERN COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

Moores School of Music

## MASTER OF MUSIC IN COMPOSITION

**PURPOSE:** To provide advanced training for students pursuing a career in music composition.

**MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Bachelor's degree in music (preferably in applied composition).
2. Minimum GPA of 3.00 for last 60 semester hours and 3.00 for all music hours.
3. Submission of TOEFL or IELTS scores (as applicable) that meet University of Houston minimum standards.
4. Full senior recital in the undergraduate degree program.
5. Beginning graduate-level composition ability as determined in a faculty examination of previous composition work, presented in score and recorded format.

**DEGREE PROGRAM:**

COURSE NUMBER	COURSE NAME	CREDITS
MUSA 6302	Applied Composition*	12
MUSI 6104	AURA Contemporary Music Ensemble; or	
MUSI 6106	Graduate Large Ensemble	3
MUSI 6300	Research Methods in Musicology	3
	Music theory electives	6
	Music history/literature electives	3
	Free graduate electives	3
TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:		30

\* Additional hours of applied study in the major area are not applied toward the degree plan.

**RECITAL REQUIREMENT:** Students are required to present one full solo recital of their own compositions.

**COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION REQUIREMENT:** Students must pass a comprehensive examination in the last semester of study.