# Music History (MUH)

Subject-area course lists indicate courses currently active for offering at the University of Louisville. Not all courses are scheduled in any given academic term. For class offerings in a specific semester, refer to the Schedule of Classes ([http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm](http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)).

500-level courses generally are included in both the undergraduate- and graduate-level course listings; however, specific course/section offerings may vary between semesters. Students are responsible for ensuring that they enroll in courses that are applicable to their particular academic programs.

## Course Fees

Some courses may carry fees beyond the standard tuition costs to cover additional support or materials. Program-, subject- and course-specific fee information can be found on the Office of the Bursar website ([http://louisville.edu/bursar/tuitionfee](http://louisville.edu/bursar/tuitionfee)).

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### MUH 204. Music in Western Civilization - AH

**Term Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring, Summer  
**Description:** Introductory course surveying history of Western art music from the Middle Ages to present. Special attention given to social, cultural, and political contexts in which music was created and performed throughout its history.  
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### MUH 205. Music in World Cultures - D2, SB

**Term Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring, Summer  
**Description:** General introduction to the world of music covering basic elements of music along with the socio-cultural aspects of music and music-making from an ethnomusicological perspective.  
**Note:** Cross-listed with ANTH 205.

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### MUH 212. History of Rock and Roll - AH, D1

**Term Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring, Summer  
**Description:** Broad overview of historical development of Rock and Roll and its music precedents from mid-twentieth century to the early 1980s. Explores social, cultural, economic, and philosophical aspects of various styles of Rock and Roll music.  
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### MUH 214. African-American Music - AH, D1

**Term Typically Offered:** Fall, Spring, Summer  
**Description:** Examines African-American music from a historical perspective, from its origins to the present. It will explore the development of various stylistic trends that characterize African-American music and socio-economic factors and events which have influenced it. There will be discussion on the evolution of and changes in musical style and form. Students will be introduced to innovators via audio and video recordings.  
**Note:** Cross-listed with PAS 214.  
**Note:** Not open to music majors.

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### MUH 215. Hip-Hop Music and History - AH, D1

**Term Typically Offered:** Occasionally Offered  
**Description:** With an emphasis on music, this course will trace the history of Hip-Hop, from the varied influences that gave rise to this cultural phenomenon (such as the musical influences of R&B, Funk, and Jamaican music, and such political/social influences as the Black Power Movement and racial segregation) to the worldwide musical and cultural dominance that the genre holds today.  
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### MUH 217. History of Country Music - AH, D1

**Term Typically Offered:** Fall, Winter, Summer  
**Description:** Broad overview of historical development of Country Music and its music precedents from early twentieth century to present. Explores social, cultural, economic, and philosophical aspects of various styles of Country Music.  
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### MUH 218. Survey of American Jazz - AH, D1

**Term Typically Offered:** Fall, Winter, Summer  
**Description:** Non-music majors will have a historical examination of the evolution of jazz music. They will study the development of various stylistic trends that characterize jazz and the socioeconomic factors and events that have influenced it as well as the evolution of its musical style and form. Students will be introduced to innovators through their recordings.  
**Note:** Cross-listed with PAS 218.  
**Note:** Not open to music majors.

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### MUH 219. Survey of Brazilian Music

**Term Typically Offered:** Occasionally Offered  
**Description:** Course will trace evolution of Brazilian music from origins to present and explore development of various stylistic trends. Includes discussion of socio-economic factors and events influencing Brazil's native art music.  
**Note:** Cross-listed with PAS 219.

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MUH 230. Dance and Music in Society and Culture - AH 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Description: Explores music and dance together throughout history and across culture. Examines wide variety of works from folk dance, social dance, court dance, theatrical dance, ballet, modern, and the music for each.
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MUH 301. Fundamentals of Music for Non-Majors 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Not Offered
Description: Historical perspectives of theory and practice of Western music and composition. Introduction to and practical application of notation, harmony, melody, form, media, and compositional techniques.
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 303. Music of the Middle Ages and Renaissance 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Not Offered
Prerequisite(s): MUH 204 or faculty consent.
Description: From Gregorian chant through Palestrina and Lasso.
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 304. Music of the Baroque 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Not Offered
Prerequisite(s): MUH 204 or faculty consent.
Description: Vocal and instrumental music from Monteverdi through Bach.
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 305. Music of the Classical and Early Romantic Periods 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Not Offered
Prerequisite(s): MUH 204 or faculty consent.
Description: Survey of Classical from early Haydn through early Wagner and Verdi.
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 306. Music of the Late Romantic and Modern Periods 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Not Offered
Prerequisite(s): MUS 204 or faculty consent.
Description: Survey of late Romantic through Contemporary eras (late Wagner/Verdi through present day).
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 308. Music in America 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Occasionally Offered
Description: A survey of America's concert and popular music from the Pilgrims to the present.
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 309. Music in the Theatre - AH 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Description: Overview of music theatre from antiquity to present. Studies unique symbiotic relationship between two divergent art forms and the new genres this process has created.
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MUH 310. History of Jazz 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Occasionally Offered
Description: Introduction to the history of styles and forms in jazz from the late nineteenth century to the present.
Note: Not open to Music majors.
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MUH 311. Studies in American Traditional Music 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Occasionally Offered
Description: A survey of folk music from Kentucky and the South: dance tunes, old time, ballads, bluegrass, and shape note music.
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 313. Studies in Ethnomusicology - D2, SB 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Description: General introduction to the world of music and field of Ethnomusicology. Students will learn basic elements of music and various socio-cultural aspects of music and music-making from ethnomusicological perspective.
Note: Cross-listed with ANTH 313.
Note: Not open to music majors.
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MUH 315. Music and Sound in Film 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall Only
Description: Explores the art of music and sound in film from early cinema through today. Students will learn to critically listen to music and sound in film and develop an understanding of the history and broad impact of film and sound technology.
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MUH 317. Popular Music in American Culture - AH, D1 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Description: Survey of historical development of American popular music from minstrelsy of mid-nineteenth century to hip-hop of late twentieth century. Explores social, cultural, economic, and philosophical aspects of various styles of American popular music including Ragtime, Tin Pan Alley, Jazz, Country and Western, Rhythm and Blues, Rock, and Rap. For class offerings for a specific term, refer to the Schedule of Classes (http://htmlaccess.louisville.edu/classSchedule/setupSearchClassSchedule.cfm)

MUH 320. Women in Music: A History - AH, D1 3 Units
Term Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Description: Addresses the historical and social contexts and social constructions of gender related to women and music, as well as the portrayal of women in musical works. Includes focus on Western art music as well as various genres of popular music.
Note: Cross-listed with WGST 320.
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MUH 401. Senior Thesis - CUE 2 Units
Term Typically Offered: Occasionally Offered
Prerequisite(s): MUS 441.
Description: Thesis course for Music History non-majors.
Note: Not open to Music majors.
Course Attribute(s): CUE - This course fulfills the Culminating Undergraduate Experience (CUE) requirement for certain degree programs. CUE courses are advanced-level courses intended for majors with at least 90 earned credits/senior-level status.
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