Music Theory - Graduate Certificate

The Graduate Certificate in Music Theory provides advanced studies in music theory and theory pedagogy without the full requirements of the master’s degree in music theory. This credential enhances the professional training and future employment options for students in existing graduate degrees across the College of Music. The curricular requirements of the Music Theory Certificate are readily combined with theory coursework required in all MM and DMA degree programs.

Requirements

The Graduate Certificate in Music Theory requires 12 credit hours. Required coursework includes MUSC 6051 Pedagogy of Music Theory (3) and TMUS 5524 Special Study-Music Theory (3), which culminates in a research project and public presentation of research.

For the remaining 6 credit hours, students also must complete two of the three following 3-credit courses: MUSC 5151 Topics in Music Analysis-Schenkerian Analysis; MUSC 5071 Post-tonal Theory and Analysis I (3); and a further elective, either MUSC 5151 Topics in Music Analysis (3) for MM students, or Advanced Topics in Music Theory (MUSC 6801 Advanced Topics in Music Theory (3) for DMA and PhD students.

Any of the required courses listed here may also be applied toward theory coursework required in the student’s major degree program.