



Bachelor of Music in Composition (Domestic students)

Program code	Admission requirements
1414	Completed Bachelor of Music with 5 in Composition Study 3
Available at	(more)
South Bank Campus	Commencing in
Duration	Trimester 1
4 years full-time	
Credit points	
320	
Indicative fee	
\$10,000.00* per year (more)	
* 2024 indicative annual CSP fee	

Degree requirements: Students who started Trimester 1 - 2025

For the award of *Bachelor of Music in Composition (BMusComp)*, you must successfully complete 320 credit points, made up of the core courses AND

- completion of the requirements of the Bachelor of Music program including a minimum of 60 credit points for Composition courses across years 1, 2 and 3;
- 15 credit points of Conservatorium Listed electives;
- 10 credit points of Conservatorium Listed electives **or** Conservatorium Ensemble Studies;
- 15 credit points of Free-choice electives.

Other program requirements

You must successfully complete:

- no more than 120 credit points of Level 1 courses (the first digit of a course code denotes the level);
- at least 60 credit points of Level 3 courses or higher.

Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF) Level and Type

The **Australian Qualifications Framework (AQF)** is the national policy for regulated qualifications in Australian education and training. This qualification is accredited as an AQF Level 7 - Bachelor Degree.

Program learning outcomes

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Program Learning Outcomes communicate to the community the value of the Griffith educational experience as benchmarked against national qualification standards.

Program Learning Outcomes for this award describe the knowledge, skills and the application of knowledge and skills you will acquire through studying the Griffith program of your choice.

Course list: Students starting Trimester 1 - 2025

Course offering information in program structures is a guide only. Please check the actual offering information in the Course Catalogue.

Note: Students must check the prerequisite and incompatible requirements before selecting any course within this program.

Year 1

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	1390QCM_Y1		Composition Study 1 (Part 1) (not offered from 2025)	10
			OR	
Tri 1	1420QCM		Music Making 1	10
Tri 1	1007QCM		Keyboard Skills (Classical Voice/Composition)	5
Tri 1	1811QCM		Music Theory and Aural Studies 1	10
Tri 1	1101QCM		Exploring Music (not offered from 2025)	10
			OR	
Tri 1	1106QCM		Musical Livelihoods 1	10
			OR	
Tri 1	5904LHS		Language and Communication for Arts and Social Sciences (English Language Enhancement course)	10
Tri 1	1532QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 1B	5
Tri 2	1390QCM_Y2		Composition Study 1 (Part 2) (not offered from 2025)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	1421QCM		Music Making 2	10
Tri 2	1812QCM		Music Theory and Aural Studies 2	10
Tri 2	1020QCM		My Life as a Musician 1 (not offered from 2025)	10
			OR	
Tri 2	1107QCM		Musical Livelihoods 2	10
Tri 2	1551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 1C	5
Tri 2	1552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 1D	5

Year 2

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2390QCM_Y1		Composition Study 2 (Part 1)	10
Tri 1	2813QCM		Music Theory and Aural Studies 3	10
Tri 1	1710QCM		Interactive Music (not offered from 2025) (see Note 1)	10
			OR	
Tri 1	1420QCM		Music Making 1	10
			OR	
Tri 1	2717QCM		Digital Music Composition	10
Tri 1			Music Literature elective	10
Tri 2	2390QCM_Y2		Composition Study 2 (Part 2)	10
Tri 2	2551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 2C	5
			AND	
Tri 2	2552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 2D	5
			OR	
Tri 2			Conservatorium Listed elective	10
Tri 2			Free-Choice Elective	10
Tri 2	2715QCM		Stereo Recording and Editing	10

Note 1: Students may only enrol in one more Level 1 course for the remainder of their program to ensure they remain within the degree requirements (gain no more than 100 credit points of first year courses).

Year 3

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	3390QCM_Y1		Composition Study 3 (Part 1)	10
Tri 1	3022QCM		A Life in the Arts	10
Tri 1			Conservatorium Listed elective	10
			OR	
Tri 1	3531QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3A	5
			AND	
Tri 1	3532QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3B	5
Tri 1	3981QCM		Introduction to Conducting	10
Tri 2	3390QCM_Y2		Composition Study 3 (Part 2)	10
Tri 2	3543QCM		Orchestration and Arranging	10
Tri 2			Music Literature elective (Level 3 courses or higher)	10
Tri 2	3551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3C	5
			AND	
Tri 2	3552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3D	5
			OR	
Tri 2			Conservatorium Listed elective	10

Year 4

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	4390QCM_Y1		Composition Study 4 (Part 1)	15
Tri 1	4023QCM		My Life as a Musician 3	10
Tri 1	4531QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4A	5
			AND	
Tri 1	4532QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4B	5
			OR	
Tri 1			Conservatorium Listed elective	10
Tri 1			Conservatorium Listed elective	5
Tri 2	4390QCM_Y2		Composition Study 4 (Part 2)	15
Tri 2	4551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4C	5
			AND	
Tri 2	4552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4D	5
			OR	
Tri 2			Conservatorium Listed elective	10
Tri 2			Undergraduate free-choice elective/s	10
Tri 2			Conservatorium Listed elective	5

Electives (2 available)

Listed Conservatorium Electives

Trimester 1

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2003QCA		Health and Wellbeing for Creative Careers	10
Tri 1	2003GFS		Science Fictions: Creative Climate Futures	10
Tri 1	1531QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 1A	5
Tri 1	1532QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 1B	5
Tri 1	1710QCM		Interactive Music (not offered from 2025)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 1	1420QCM		Music Making 1	10
Tri 1	1716QCM		Digital Musicianship 1	10
Tri 1	2151QCM		Collaborative Piano Studies 1	10
Tri 1	2167QCM		Project in Collaborative Piano	5
Tri 1	2250QCM		Music Theory Project A	10
Tri 1	2251QCM		Small Music Theory Project A	5
Tri 1	2363QCM_P1		Performance Study 2 Extension (Part 1)	5
Tri 1	2531QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 2A	5
Tri 1	2532QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 2B	5
Tri 1	2710QCM		Electronic Instruments	10
Tri 1	2715QCM		Stereo Recording and Editing	10
Tri 1	2717QCM		Digital Music Composition	10
Tri 1	2841QCM		Pedagogy 1	10
Tri 1	3022QCM		A Life in the Arts	10
Tri 1	3363QCM_P1		Performance Study 3 Extension (Part 1)	5
Tri 1	3531QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3A	5
Tri 1	3532QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3B	5
Tri 1	3718QCM		Sound Production Projects	10
Tri 1	3731QCM		Music Industry Internship (WIL) A	10
Tri 1	3925QCM		Opera Ensemble A	5
Tri 1	3981QCM		Introduction to Conducting	10
Tri 1	4023QCM		My Life as a Musician 3 (see Note 1)	10
Tri 1	4363QCM_P1		Performance Study 4 Extension (Part 1) (see Note 1)	5
Tri 1	4531QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4A (see Note 1)	5
Tri 1	4532QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4B (see Note 1)	5
Tri 1	4925QCM		Opera Ensemble A (see Note 2)	5
Tri 1	5000QCM		Professional Recording Project 1	10
Tri 1	5962QCM		Small Opera Project A	5
Tri 1	5963QCM		Small Opera Project B	5
Tri 1	5964QCM		Small Opera Project C (see Note 2)	5
Tri 1	5986QCM		Topics in Improvisation	5
Tri 1	5990QCM		Project Study A	10
Tri 1	5991QCM		Project Study B	10
Tri 1	5995QCM		Minor Project Study	5
Tri 1	5911QCM		Global Local Music Project	10

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Note 2: This course is only available to students enrolled in **Bachelor of Music in Performance (1413)** (Classical Voice).

Trimester 2

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	2004QCA		Arts Health in Practice	10
Tri 2	2001GFS		Ecology, Sensing and the Arts	10
Tri 2	1020QCM		My Life as a Musician 1 (not offered from 2025)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 2	1107QCM		Musical Livelihoods 2	10
Tri 2	1551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 1C	5
Tri 2	1552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 1D	5
Tri 2	1723QCM		Real-Time Systems (not offered from 2025)	10
			courseLineOperator	
Tri 2	1421QCM		Music Making 2	10
Tri 2	1726QCM		Digital Musicianship 2	10
Tri 2	2167QCM		Project in Collaborative Piano	5
Tri 2	2250QCM		Music Theory Project A	10
Tri 2	2251QCM		Small Music Theory Project A	5
Tri 2	2324QCM		Music, Sound and Vision	10
Tri 2	2363QCM_P2		Performance Study 2 Extension (Part 2)	5
Tri 2	2551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 2C	5
Tri 2	2552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 2D	5
Tri 2	3363QCM_P2		Performance Study 3 Extension (Part 2)	5
Tri 2	3543QCM		Orchestration and Arranging	10
Tri 2	3551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3C	5
Tri 2	3552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 3D	5
Tri 2	3724QCM		Multichannel Sonic Environments	10
Tri 2	3732QCM		Music Industry Internship (WIL) B	10
Tri 2	3926QCM		Opera Ensemble B	5
Tri 2	3984QCM		Instrumental Conducting	10
Tri 2	3985QCM		Choral Conducting (not offered from 2023)	10
Tri 2	4363QCM_P2		Performance Study 4 Extension (Part 2) (see Note 1)	5
Tri 2	4551QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4C (see Note 1)	5
Tri 2	4552QCM		Ensemble and Collaborative Activity 4D (see Note 1)	5
Tri 2	4926QCM		Opera Ensemble B (see Note 2)	5
Tri 1,2	5001QCM		Professional Recording Project 2	10
Tri 2	5912QCM		Musician's Health	10
Tri 2	5913QCM		Optimal Performance Practice	5
Tri 2	5965QCM		Opera Project A	10
Tri 2	5966QCM		Opera Project B	10
Tri 2	5967QCM		Opera Project C (see Note 2)	10
Tri 2	5985QCM		Jazz Improvisation Techniques	10

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Trimester 3

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 3	2002GFS		Arts-Science in the Field	10

Trimester 2 (Odd year offerings)

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	2320QCM		Jazz Composition and Arranging	10

Trimester 2 (Even year offerings)

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	1051QCM		Jazz Guitar Basics	5
Tri 2	2624QCM		Transcription	10

Listed Music Literature Electives**Trimester 1**

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2065QCM	Listed Elective	Popular Music: Roots to Rap	10
Tri 2	3106QCM	Listed Elective	Music, Emotion and Meaning	10
Tri 2	3712QCM	Listed Elective	Digital Music and Culture	10

Trimester 1 (Odd Year Offerings)

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2103QCM		The Romantic Imagination	10

Trimester 1 (Even year offerings)

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 1	2102QCM		Music, Time and Place	10
Tri 1	2105QCM		Music across Cultures	10

Trimester 2

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	1303QCM		Introduction to Musical Theatre	10
Tri 2	3105QCM		Music, Mind and Brain	10
Tri 2	3329QCM		Introduction to Music Research	10

Trimester 2 (Odd year offerings)

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	2104QCM		20th Century Modernism	10
Tri 2	3100QCM		Music and Society	10

Trimester 2 (Even year offerings)

Trimester	Course code	Requirement	Course title	CP
Tri 2	2849QCM		Perspectives on New Music since 1950	10
Tri 2	3342QCM		Modern Jazz: Bebop and Beyond	10