

## **Yearly Program Study Plan; M.A. Music Theory (Thesis)**

### **Overview:**

It is possible for a student to complete the program in 3 terms, but most students choose to complete the program in 4 terms.

**Complete program requirements can be found here:** <https://www.mcgill.ca/music/programs/ma-theory/requirements-courses>.

### **Registration Confirmation:**

All students at the graduate level must confirm their registration every year. This is done by adding the following course in Minerva for each semester: REGN RCGR.

### **Additional required courses**

Please verify your letter of acceptance from uApply to see if you were assigned one or more undergraduate courses to be completed before completion of the master's degree.

Additional courses may also be assigned based on placement exams. These results will be available in August.

### **Course load**

You should register for a minimum of 12 credits per term for the first three terms.

### **Thesis credits**

Thesis credits must be added to your registration during the first three terms of registration.

### **Program audit**

Students are responsible for making sure they have registered for the correct courses for their program. Student who have started the program after Fall 2017 can follow their program on myProgress: <https://www.mcgill.ca/gps/myprogress>.

This is a sample registration for the program based on 4 terms in the program. Students can adjust based on the number of assigned additional courses, but the thesis credits should remain as indicated below.

The thesis can be submitted in one of two formats: in-depth monograph-style thesis, or a research-paper-based thesis. Students who prefer to write an in-depth monograph-style thesis will take MUGS 684 Master's Thesis Research 2 as a complementary course. Students who prefer to write a research-paper-based thesis will take two more seminars.

### 1<sup>st</sup> year plan

Fall	credits	Winter	credits
REGN RCGR (Registration Confirmation Course Number)		REGN RCGR (Registration Confirmation Course Number)	
Additional required course, if applicable		Additional required course, if applicable	
MUTH 658 or 659 History of Music Theory	3	MUxx Seminar	3
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MUGS 683 Master's Thesis Research 1	3	MUGS 685 Master's Thesis Research 3	9
MUGS 684 Master's Thesis Research 2 (for students completing an in-depth monograph-style thesis) OR MUxx 6xx (for students completing a research paper-based thesis)	6  3		

### 2<sup>nd</sup> year plan

Fall	credits	Winter	credits
REGN RCGR (Registration Confirmation Course Number)		REGN RCGR (Registration Confirmation Course Number)*	
MUxx Seminar	3		
MUxx Seminar (for students completing a research paper-based thesis)	3		
MUGS 686 Master's Thesis Research 4	12		

\*The M.A. Program is designed to be completed in 3 terms, but over 90% of students register for an extra term in order to complete the program. If you remain registered for an extra term, it is possible that you will not have any credits during the fourth term (if you have registered for all of your required courses), but you must confirm your registration (REGN RCGR course). Fees will be assessed at the "additional session" rate for the fourth term of studies.

