



**MOLLOY  
UNIVERSITY**

School of Arts & Sciences  
Department of Music

### **Music Therapy: B.S.**

The B.S. in Music Therapy provides students with the necessary theoretical knowledge, practical techniques and clinical experience required to use music as a therapeutic modality with children and adults who have special needs. The program is interdisciplinary and incorporates both music coursework to develop students' musicianship skills, and coursework in Psychology provides models for evaluations and treatment of clinical populations. Courses in Music Therapy include the theoretical basis for music as therapy and music in therapy, exploration of clinical techniques and models, training in clinical improvisation, music therapy lab experiences and fieldwork experiences at clinical sites on Long Island and the Metropolitan area. The culminating experience of the student's training is a 900-hour clinical internship completed in the senior year.

### **Essential Skills:**

Essential skills refer to the knowledge gained from a liberal arts education. They provide a framework to guide students' progress toward their degree, but also prepare students for a broad range of career paths. A recent survey from the Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) shows employers "strongly agree" that "regardless of a student's field of study" liberal arts skills best prepare students to enter the job market in their career of choice.

1. Critical and Creative Thinking:
  - a. Make decisions and solve problems using sound, inclusive reasoning and judgment.
  - b. Combine/synthesize concepts in original ways; think/work in imaginative ways involving innovation, divergent thinking, risk taking.
2. Written and Oral Communication:
  - a. Understand the importance of and demonstrate verbal, written, and non-verbal/body language, abilities.
  - b. Communicate in a clear and organized manner so that others can effectively understand.
3. Information Literacy:
  - a. Gather and analyze information from a diverse set of sources and individuals to fully understand a problem.
  - b. Manipulate information, construct ideas, and use technology to achieve specific goals.
4. Inquiry and Analysis:
  - a. Accurately summarize and interpret information with an awareness of personal biases that may impact outcomes.
  - b. Identify and evaluate appropriate resources for completing musical and pedagogical tasks.
5. Problem Solving:
  - a. Design, evaluate, implement a strategy to answer an open-ended question or achieve a desired goal.

### **Honor Society:**

The Music Department at Molloy University offers eligible students membership in Pi Kappa Lambda, the National Honor Society for Music founded in 1918.

**American Music Therapy Association (AMTA)**

**National Association of Schools of Music (NASM)**

**Music Therapy Club**

<b>FIRST YEAR</b>			
<b>Fall Courses</b>		<b>Spring Courses</b>	
MUS 1010** Theory Fundamentals	2	MUS 1120 Harmony I	3
MUS 1100 Class Piano	1	MUS 1110 Advanced Class Piano	1
MUS 1060/2070/1540 Guitar	1	MUS 2070/1540 Guitar	1
MUS 1580/1070 Intro to Music Therapy	3	MUS 1020 Sight Singing/Ear I	2
MUS 1950 Vocal Techniques	1	MUS 1990 History of Music I	3
Applied Music	1	Applied Music	1
Ensemble	0	Ensemble	1
FST 1010	1	PSY 2040 Developmental Psychology	3
ENG 1100	3	PED	1
PSY 1110 General Psychology	3	MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0
MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0		
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>SECOND YEAR</b>			
<b>Fall Courses</b>		<b>Spring Courses</b>	
MUS 2720 MT: Theories and Methods I	3	MUS 2730 MT: Theories and Methods II	3
MUS 2830 Music Therapy Lab	1	MUS 2830 Music Therapy Lab	1
MUS 2040 Sight Singing/Ear II	2	MUS 2060 Sight Singing/Ear III	2
MUS 2130 Harmony II	3	MUS 3140 Harmony III	3
MUS 2000 History of Music II	3	MUS 1910 Percussion Workshop	1
MUS 2230 Keyboard Harmony I	1	MUS 3150 Keyboard Harmony II	1
Applied Music	1	Applied Music	1
Ensemble	1	Ensemble	0
MUS 1140/1610/2751	1	MUS 1300/1660/1680/1820/1940 (Vocal Requirement)	0-1
MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0	PSY 3260 Abnormal Psychology	3
		MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>15-16</b>
<b>THIRD YEAR</b>			
<b>Fall Courses</b>		<b>Spring Courses</b>	
MUS 3830 Music Therapy Fieldwork I	2	MUS 3840 Music Therapy Fieldwork II	2
HIS/POL/SOC	3	MUS 3780 Clinical Improvisation	3
MAT 1140/1150 (Gen Ed)	3	Applied Music	1
CORE (Gen Ed)	4	Ensemble	0
Modern Language	3	MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0
Applied Music	1	PHI/THE/ETH (Gen Ed)	3
Ensemble	0	Science (Gen Ed)	3
MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0	English Lit. or Modern Language	3
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>FOURTH YEAR</b>			
<b>Fall Courses</b>		<b>Spring Courses</b>	
MUS 3820 Advanced Clinical Improvisation	3	MUS 3800 Professional Skills for Music Therapy	1
PHI/THE/ETH (Gen Ed)	3	MUS 3850 Intro to Music Therapy Research	3
MUS 4600 Music Therapy Internship I	3	MUS 4610 Music Therapy Internship II	3
Applied Music	1	MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0
PSY Elective	3	HIS/POL/SOC (Gen Ed)	3
Ensemble	0	PHI/THE/ETH (Gen Ed)	3
MUS 0100 (Recital Attendance)	0		
ART/COM SPEECH (Gen Ed)	3		
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Total Credits to Graduate</b>			<b>121-123</b>

**\*\*Students who did not pass the department's Theory Placement exam must take this class in Semester 1. Students who pass the placement must make up the missing 2 credits.**

**\*\*\*MUS 1060/1100/1110/2200/2070 requirement is determined by placement exam.**

**Employment Information:**

Representative Job Titles Related to this Major Include:

Music Therapist (MT-BC)

Representative Employers to the Major Include:

Early intervention schools, public, private, and charter schools, centers for individuals with developmental disabilities, hospitals, rehabilitation centers, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, outpatient care facilities, community-based wellness programs, and private practice

Further Resources:

See the following resources: [National Association of Colleges & Employers: Career Readiness Defined](#), [AAC&U](#), [What Can I Do with This Major?](#), and [Molloy Undergraduate Catalog](#).

**Notice:**

This 8-semester plan is not a contract, either expressed or implied, between the University and the student, but represents a flexible program of the current curriculum which may be altered periodically to carry out the academic objectives of the University. The University specifically reserves the right to change, delete or add to any 8-semester plan at any time within the student's period of study at the University.