

**THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES & CULTURES
PROGRAMME STRUCTURE**

For students studying on programme:	MusM Composition (Instrumental and Vocal)
Level of study:	Postgraduate
Academic year of study:	2026/27
Programme Code:	07985 (full-time) 07986 (part-time)
Plan Code:	10163 (full-time) 10165 (part-time)
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Contact:	If you have any questions about this structure, please contact salc.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk , including 'Music' in your subject

Please note

When selecting the course units you wish to take you must ensure you choose:

- Full-time students - 180 credits
- Part-time students - 60 credits of core course units are taken in the first year, and 60 credits are chosen from categories 2 and 3 in the second year. The Portfolio of Compositions (an additional 60 credits) is taught over both years, credited in the second year.

Helpful hints

- ✓ The semester in which a course is taught is identified by the last digit in the course code. A zero identifies a course unit which is taught over both semesters.
- ✓ Please check timetable details for courses you choose to ensure that you do not have any clashes!
- ✓ Detailed course unit information can be found at

<https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/masters/courses/list/10163/musm-composition-instrumental-and-vocal-music/>

1: You will be automatically enrolled onto the following course units by your Programme Administrator

Compulsory:		Credit
MUSC60120	Portfolio of Compositions	60
MUSC60191	Compositional Études	30
MUSC60152	Composition Project	30

2: Choose one course unit from the following list (maximum 30 credits)

Core:		Credit
MUSC60171	Contemporary Music Studies (recommended)	30
MUSC60221	Aesthetics and Analysis of Organised Sound	30

3: Choose 30 credits from the following list

Options:		Credit
MUSC60042	Advanced Orchestration (recommended)	30
MUSC60242	Interactive Tools and Engines	30
MUSC60032	Fieldwork and Ethnography	30
MUSC60132	Performance in Context	30
MUSC60130*	Performance in Context	30
MUSC60402	Professional and Pedagogical Skills	30
MUSC60502	Aesthetics (if not previously taken UoM 3 rd Yr Aesthetics)	15
LALC61052	Popular Music and Identity	15
SALC60072	Business Strategies for the Arts	30

*For Part Time students only. Part-time students may take MUSC60130 as a long and thin unit across semesters 1 and 2.

4: Non-Credited Course Units

All PGT students in the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures will be enrolled upon the following course units. You will receive more information regarding these course units at the beginning of the academic year.

SALC60000	Postgraduate Skills Training
SALC61230	The School of Arts, Languages & Cultures PG Health and Safety Unit
SALC61240	SALC Academic Malpractice