



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
FACULTY OF MUSIC

**PhD in Music Theory
Degree Checklist**

MUS1250H – PhD Seminar (to be taken in Year 1)

MUS3997H – Research in Music Theory (to be taken term 2 of Year 1)

Music Theory Electives - 1.0 full course equivalents in graduate-only music theory courses (to be taken in Year 1)

Course Code	Course Weight (i.e. 0.5 or 1.0) *
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Electives – 1.0 full course equivalents (to be taken in Year 1). 0.5 may be taken outside musicology, ethnomusicology and music theory (in any graduate unit). With approval, one 0.5 full course equivalents may be deferred to the first session of Year 2.

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Language Requirements – Primary and secondary languages (to be met by the end of Year 2)

Comprehensive Exams – set of 3 exams in contemporary issues, history of the field and repertoire (to be completed in fall term of Year 2)

Major Field Exam – to be completed in winter term of Year 2

Candidacy achieved or [Extension to Achieve Candidacy](#) request submitted – by end of Year 3

Research & Thesis Writing – Years 3 & 4

Thesis Defense – Year 4

*courses with an “H” designation have a course weight of 0.5 full course equivalents. Courses with a “Y” designation have a weight of 1.0.

Student in the **PhD in Music Theory** program must complete a total of 3.0 full-course equivalents, language requirements, comprehensive exams, a major field exam and a thesis.

It is the student’s responsibility to ensure they are enrolled in all the course required for their program of study. Check your ACORN account to ensure you are properly enrolled. Courses must be added and/or dropped via ACORN according to the School of Graduate Studies [Sessional Dates](#).