

Ear training II

COURSE GUIDE

BACHELOR'S IN MUSIC COMPOSITION
Course 2025/2026

Course data

<i>Duration</i>	Annual
<i>Credits</i>	4,5 ECTS
<i>Modality</i>	In-person
<i>Language</i>	English
<i>Faculty</i>	Performing Arts and Music
<i>Teacher</i>	Paloma Cosano

Course presentation

Putting into practice of the most complex elements of musical language, and subsequent execution by means of the body and voice. Amalgamations, polyrhythms, secondary dominants, modulation and modal dictations, based on the materials assimilated in "Ear Training I".

Student competencies

CG03	Apply the most appropriate working methods to overcome the challenges of the study and practice of individual and/ or collective music, seeking excellence and quality.
CG04	Know the technological resources typical for the discipline and its applications in the musical creation, assimilating innovations that appear
CG06	Develop in professional practice a professional ethic based on esthetic, environmental and diversity observation and sensibility.
CG09	Know different study and research methodologies for expanding the ability to a continuous development and innovation in one's activity within the musical industry.
CG10	Develop critical discourses towards personal and interpersonal activity adapting to cultural, social, artistic and professional changes.
CE01	Develop skills for identifying, understanding and memorizing of the musical material
CE02	Identify and appreciate in auditory and intellectual ways different types of musical and sound structures.
CE03	Know the fundamentals and structure of musical language and apply them to interpretative, creative and research practice.
CE06	Interpret in an analytical way all the musical resources of a piece of any style, as well as connect and apply those features in one's own and others' music.
CE07	Identify the fundamentals of musical acoustics, the acoustic characteristics of the instruments, their technical, sound and expressive possibilities, as well as their combinations and results.

CE08	Use new technologies in the area of music and acoustics in all kind of contexts and formats, in order to apply them to specific needs of the project.
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Learning outcomes

Upon completion of this course, each student must be able to:

1. Vocally and precisely interpret melodies and rhythms.
2. Understand how hearing works.
3. Recognize, through hearing, and reproduce orally, practical and theoretical aspects of the study of music.
4. Transfer rhythmic-melodic knowledge to improvisation through voice.
5. Distinguish and relate, through hearing, the structural elements of music.
6. See, recognize, distinguish and ultimately codify musical symbols and annotations.
7. Distinguish the various elements and styles of a given music through hearing.
8. Appraise aesthetically heard music and own compositions.

Teaching methodology

MD1	Participatory lecture.
MD2	Problem resolution and discussion of results.
MD5	Cooperative and collaborative learning.

Contents

Content	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. MELODY. Natural, melodic and harmonic major and minor key chromaticism. Ionian, Dorian, Phrygian, Lydian, Mixolydian, Aeolian, and Locrian modes. Two-voice dictation. 2. HARMONY. Major scale degrees (II). Modal interchange (II). 3. RHYTHM. Precise sensation of the division of pulse into 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 8 parts. Equivalencies in changes in beat.
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Learning activities

AF1	Theory and combination theory-practice learning.	18 h
AF2	Classroom/lab exercises and practice.	12 h
AF4	Arts appreciation activities: seminars, visits to exhibitions or viewings of visual/audiovisual works.	9 h
AF5	Research activities: search and selection of documentation, reading of support materials and bibliographic and visual references.	45 h

AF7	Assessment	6 h
AF8	Self-study of theoretical content and autonomous assignment work and practical activities.	45 h

** The hours assigned to the different learning activities may vary depending on the academic needs of the course, the group or the teaching team.*

Assessment

GENERAL ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

ATTENDANCE

The classes are in-person, and attendance is mandatory, as it is a determining factor in the continuous assessment system, as well as in class attitude and participation. However, in exceptional cases due to health situations or family reconciliation, students may request online access as a methodological adaptation (for more information, please contact the student department).

MARKS

Continuous Assessment is a comprehensive assessment of each student's results judged on the assessment criteria described in the following section, on a scale of 0 to 10 as provided in current legislation.

Students wishing to bring up their grade in the extraordinary/reassessment period must first contact the Registrar's Office to expressly waive in writing all of the marks they obtained in the regular assessment period. Their final assessment mark will be the mark obtained in re-assessment.

SPELLING AND EXPRESSION

Spelling and written expression are taken into account in the marking of written examinations and assignments. Written examinations cannot contain more than 2 spelling errors or 10 accent errors (omitted or misplaced). Assignments completed outside of the classroom may not contain more than 1 error.

UNIVERSITY WRITTEN REPORTS

These must have a title page, table of contents and bibliography listing at least 4 sources. These works must be original. Excerpts from other authors must be properly cited. Demonstrable plagiarism is an academic offense. If one student copies the work of another student, both shall be held accountable.

SPECIFIC ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

REGULAR ASSESSMENT PERIOD

The teaching team will provide the details/specifications on the content or submission of assessment tasks; this information will be given in class or in a document made available to the student on the Virtual Course Space (in Spanish, *Aula Virtual*).

Assignments not submitted by the deadlines set by the teaching team will receive an assessment mark of 0.

<i>Assessment task (*)</i>	<i>Revaluable/non-revaluable</i>	<i>Minimum mark yes/no</i>	<i>% of final mark</i>
SE1 In-class tests and examinations (oral and/or written).	Block I: Yes	No	20%
	Block II: Yes	Yes (minimum mark 5)	40%
			(Total: 60%)
SE3 Continuous assessment: weekly tasks and homework, periodical reports, problem resolution.	Block I: No	No	25%
	Block II: No	No	10%
			(Total: 35%)
SE5 Attitude and participation.	No	No	5%
			100%

(*) Records and evidence of all of the assessment tasks (writings, recordings, etc.) listed in this table will be kept and filed in the Registrar's Office.

EXTRAORDINARY/RE-ASSESSMENT PERIOD

Students that do not pass the course in the term it is delivered can attempt again in the extraordinary/re-assessment period, except in cases where the particular characteristics of the course make this impossible.

The teaching team will inform the student of the assessment tasks that will need to be done in re-assessment. The teaching team can decide whether to maintain the marks of 5.0 and above the student received over the course and in the regular assessment period.

REVIEW OF ASSESSMENT MARKS

As set out in the TAI School of the Arts Student Handbook.

Resources

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RECOMMENDED WEBSITES

- Rodríguez Alvira, J. (2016). Theory: Space dedicated to music theory.
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REQUIRED MATERIALS FOR THE COURSE

Classdossier. Tuning fork 440 Hz.

Piano / Keyboard. Spotify account.

Music notation software (Sibelius, Finale or similar).

Audio editing software (Logic Pro, Cubase, Reaper or similar).

My Piano Phone or similar (App. Available in Android Store).

BlocNote (App. with Scanner function.)

VISITS, MASTER CLASSES, EVENTS AND ADDITIONAL WORKSHOPS

These will be communicated throughout the course. Attendance is compulsory.