

2025–26 Audio Production Academic Map

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True Blue Core (TBC).

An academic map is a suggested four-year schedule of courses based on degree requirements in the undergraduate catalog. This sample schedule serves as a general guideline to help build a full schedule each term. Milestones, courses, and special requirements necessary for timely progress to complete a major are designated to keep you on track to graduate in four years. **Missing milestones could delay your program.**

This map is not a substitute for academic advisement—contact your advisor if you have any questions about scheduling or about your degree requirements. Also see the current undergraduate catalog (catalog.mtsu.edu) for a complete list of requirements and electives. *Note: Requirements are continually under revision, and there is no guarantee they will not be changed or revoked; contact the department and/or program area for current information.*

Suggested Fall/Spring Four-Year Schedule

FRESHMAN FALL			FRESHMAN SPRING		
Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes	Course	Hours	Milestones/Notes
Non-Written Communication	3	TBC	RIM 3010	3	Candidacy course
RIM 1230/MUTH 1110	3	Candidacy course	RIM/JOUR/EMC 1020	3	TBC; Major; Sub-core course
Written Communication	3	TBC	RIM 3300	3	Candidacy course
MATH 1710 or higher	3	TBC; Major; Candidacy course	Information Literacy	3	TBC
RIM 3600	3	Candidacy course	Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery; Candidacy course
SUBTOTAL	15		SUBTOTAL	16	Apply to candidacy after 24 hours
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
RIM 4100	3		RIM 3700 or RIM AP elective	3	
RIM 4190	3		RIM 4400	3	
RIM 3700 or RIM AP elective	3		RIM 4440	3	
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Creativity and Cultural Expression Literature	3	TBC
SUBTOTAL	15		SUBTOTAL	15	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
RIM 3700 or RIM AP elective	3		RIM 3000	3	
RIM AP elective	3		Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery
History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	RIM AP elective	3	
Minor course	3		Minor course	3	
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Minor course	3	
SUBTOTAL	15		SUBTOTAL	16	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
RIM AP elective	3		RIM AP elective	3	
Minor course	3		Elective	3	
Minor course	3		Elective or minor course	3	
Elective	3		Elective or minor course	2	
Elective	3		Elective	2	
SUBTOTAL	15		SUBTOTAL	13	

*Note: Students must earn C or higher in all RIM courses.

TOTAL HOURS IN PROGRAM: 120

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Suggested Fall/Spring/Summer Four-Year Schedule

You may choose to attend a summer term to reduce your load during fall or spring terms but still stay on track to graduate in four years. Refer to www.mtsu.edu/financial-aid/scholarships for information regarding use of the Lottery Scholarship for the summer term.

NOTE: Learning Support courses will alter the sequences on this map.

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Written Communication	3	TBC	Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery
MATH 1710 or higher	3	TBC; Major; Candidacy course	RIM 3300	3	Candidacy course
RIM 3600	3	Candidacy course	Information Literacy	3	TBC
SUBTOTAL	12		SUBTOTAL	13	Apply to candidacy after 24 hours
FRESHMAN SUMMER					
Non-Written Communication	3	TBC	RIM/JOUR/EMC 1020	3	TBC; Major; Sub-core course;
SUBTOTAL	3		SUBTOTAL	3	
SOPHOMORE FALL			SOPHOMORE SPRING		
RIM 4100	3		RIM 3700 or RIM AP elective	3	
RIM 4190	3	Candidacy course	RIM 4400	3	
RIM 3700 or RIM AP elective	3		RIM 4440	3	
History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Creativity and Cultural Expression Literature	3	TBC
SUBTOTAL	12		SUBTOTAL	12	
SOPHOMORE SUMMER					
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Human Society and Social Relationships	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery
SUBTOTAL	3		SUBTOTAL	3	
JUNIOR FALL			JUNIOR SPRING		
RIM 3700 or RIM AP elective	3		RIM 3000	3	
RIM AP elective	3		Scientific Literacy	4	TBC; one must come from Discovery
History and Civic Learning	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	RIM AP elective	3	
Creativity and Cultural Expression	3	TBC; one must come from Discovery	Minor course	3	
SUBTOTAL	12		SUBTOTAL	13	
JUNIOR SUMMER					
Minor course	3		Minor course	3	
SUBTOTAL	3		SUBTOTAL	3	
SENIOR FALL			SENIOR SPRING		
RIM AP elective	3		RIM AP elective	3	
Minor course	3		Elective	3	
Minor course	3		Elective or minor course	3	
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