

Music Technology - Experiential Major Map

	FIRST YEAR	MIDDLE YEARS	LAST YEAR	
A ACADEMIC MASTERY	- Core music courses begin: musicianship, music theory, ear training, piano, private lessons, ensembles - Begin Music Technology major courses: Intro to Music Tech, Recording Techniques, Electronic Music, etc. - Essential General Education courses: ENG, MATH, COM, plus 1-2 more if you can - Meet with faculty advisor often.	- Continue core music and Music Technology major courses - General Education courses - complete as many as possible so you have only 2, 1, or 0 remaining in your senior year - Start researching Internship opportunities in earnest.	- Complete major coursework - Complete General Education courses (if necessary) - Complete an Internship in your chosen career area - Complete a Capstone Project and give a presentation	ACADEMIC SUCCESS CHECKLIST - Academic Success Checklist for Music Technology Majors: - Meet with your Advisor to review your four-year plan - Build relationships with faculty and staff - Get help when you need it - Stay healthy and set appropriate boundaries - Work toward your capstone - Work toward your artistic ambitions and develop your creative voice - Engage in service learning and campus opportunities
S SELF-DISCOVERY & STRENGTHS	- What discipline are you leaning toward: recording, electronic music, live sound, or other? - Explore professional fields that align with strengths - Explore internship opportunities for final year - Think about what your Final Project (senior year) might be.	- What discipline are you leaning toward: recording, electronic music, live sound, or other? - Develop ideas for your Capstone Project and Internship - Explore professional fields that align with strengths - Explore Internship opportunities	- Where did you end up: recording, electronic music, live sound, other? - Never stop improving.	
PI PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION INTEGRATIVE & EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING	- Investigate Careers and Graduate School Programs - What is your Mission? Draft a Mission Statement - Begin creation of initial resume, Linked In profile, professional webpage, and digital portfolio - Begin networking with people in your profession (jump in head first, don't wait to be guided) - Join professional organizations (student fees are typically very low) - Volunteer to help with music events, concerts, faculty/student projects	- Find summer work in, or related to, your chosen career field - Refine your Mission Statement - Add to your professional website, online profile, digital portfolio, etc. - Reach out to organizations, corporations, businesses, or sole-proprietors in your area of interest - Go to music industry conferences (AES, NAMM, Music Industry Summit, etc.) - Submit work to competitions, conferences, and festivals - Continue to volunteer to help the Department with technology and logistics	- Internship and Capstone - Apply for jobs, graduate programs, paid internships, fellowships, etc. - Obtain certifications/credentials in chosen field (where applicable and may require additional cost) - Submit work to competitions, conferences, and festivals - Continue to volunteer to help the Department with technology and logistics	
RE RELATIONSHIPS & LEADERSHIP ENGAGEMENT & WELL-BEING	- Contact a professional who has the job you might want - Attend non-music campus events/clubs to build peer connections - Participate in Topper Fest or first-year leadership programs - Learn about wellness, counseling, and support resources - Prioritize time management and study skills	- Serve as a peer mentor or tutor - Participate in alumni networking or mentorship programs - Find balance among your free-time, academics, and work schedules - Utilize wellness resources to maintain mental and physical health	- Volunteer to lead projects for the Music Technology program (Noise Violation, Music Tech Mini-Con, etc.) - Mentor younger students in the major - Expand professional networks through alumni and industry connections - Participate in financial literacy and life transition workshops	

