

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 7 (MUSC): **Delete MUSC 302 and MUSC 332;**
 Add new course, MUSC 340, Advanced Topics in Music Theory

Effective Date: Fall 2016

1. Delete: On pages 232, the entry for **MUSC 302, Aural Skills IV:**

Continuation of MUSC 301. Prerequisite: MUSC 301; corequisite: MUSC 332. See department chair.

2. Delete: On page 233, the entry for **MUSC 332, Music Theory IV:**

Impressionistic and 20th-century techniques including alternatives to tonality and contemporary treatment of the elements of music; techniques for writing and analyzing compositions based on pitch class sets and serialism. Prerequisite: MUSC 331; corequisite MUSC 302. See department chair.

Impact Statement: Deleting these courses will not lead to any changes in degree requirements or staffing. Some content from MUSC 332 has been incorporated into Music Theory III, while other content will be covered in the new advanced theory course.

Rationale: These courses are no longer being taught, nor do they fulfill any degree requirements. MUSC 332 will be replaced by MUSC 340, a topical advanced theory course.

3. Add: On page 233, new course, **MUSC 340:**

340 Advanced Topics in Music Theory (3)

Rotating topics from popular, classical and contemporary music. This seminar-style course helps students develop advanced analytical techniques and writing skills. Students may repeat the course as content varies for a total of nine hours. Prerequisite: MUSC 331. Fall.

Impact: The addition of this elective course will not lead to any changes in degree requirements or staffing. Topics will change based on faculty and student interest. Allowing the course to be repeated will allow for analysis of different techniques. The course is already in the rotation of the faculty member who teaches it.

Rationale: MUSC 340 is being added to replace MUSC 332. MUSC 340 is currently being taught as a Special Topics advanced theory course, rather than MUSC 332 because the course description for MUSC 332 does not match what is currently being taught in the course.