



# MA in Contemporary Music Practices

## What is the MA in Contemporary Music Practices?

Grounded in cutting-edge academic and creative research, our innovative MA in Contemporary Music Practices positions students at the forefront of scholarly and creative exploration and artistry. Collaborating with esteemed international scholars in the Department's key disciplines of composition, performance, and music technology, students explore a core curriculum that focuses on honing practical, creative and research skills in these areas.

## Who is the MA in Contemporary Music Practices for?

The MA in CMP is designed by creative artists *for* creative artists. The course is aimed at musicians across a broad range of styles and practices, including composition, performance, and recording, and everything in between!

## Why choose the MA in Contemporary Music Practices?

- You are supported in the development of a professional creative portfolio through regular 1-to-1 tuition with internationally renowned performers, composers and musicologists.
- You have access to curated opportunities to collaborate with professional musicians and fellow students alike.
- You can enjoy of a broad range of options to develop your knowledge of contemporary musical practices across a range of styles and media.

## Course structure:

MU690 Capstone Project (creative portfolio)  
MU691 Creative Collaboration and Dissemination  
MU692 Digital Audio Skills  
MU678 Writing About Music

*plus three* elective modules from a broad list including: Instrumental Composition, Scoring and Composition for Screen Media, Electroacoustic Composition, Technology in Performance and Placement Project.

## Special entry/application requirements:

Candidates are required to submit three examples of their creative activity (e.g. PDF scores, audio or video recordings as a non-expiring file-share) with their application. Experienced music professionals who do not hold a primary or higher degree are also eligible to apply via the University's Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning Initiative. More details are available via the MU Apply website.

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*Duration*

**1 year full-time**

**2 years part-time**

*Course Code*

**MHT66 (FT)**

**MHT67 (PT)**