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Date: Monday, December 10, 2018  
To: Susan Kalter, Chairperson, Academic Senate  
From: Jean Standard, Chairperson, University Curriculum Committee  
Robert Quinlan, Chairperson, Graduate Curriculum Committee  
RE: Executive Summary for the following new program proposals  
Undergraduate  
New Liberal Arts Sequence, Major in Music – School of Music

### **Music Major - New Sequence in Liberal Arts**

<https://registrar.illinoisstate.edu/curriculumforms/NewProgramView.aspx?ID=269>

Rationale provided with proposal:

Members of the University Curriculum Committee requested that the School of Music list our "Major in Music (B.A./B.S.)" program as a sequence instead of a major. The reason I believe had to do with how this major is reported to the State (as a Liberal Arts Major in Music.) So now the program will be listed as the Liberal Arts sequence instead of just being listed as a major in music.

Note: There were two "hidden" hours of group piano (MUS122) classes that practically all students have to take in the old copy. While it is true that some students MIGHT be able to pass their piano proficiency by taking less than the full 3 levels of group piano - that is, by "testing out" of one or more levels - this is by far the exception rather than the rule. We are now listing all 3 levels in the catalog and it matches our plans of study that School of Music advisors use. We also have new language that directs students interested in "testing out" of piano to consult with the group piano coordinator.