UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

MOORES SCHOOL of MUSIC

MASTER OF MUSIC IN MUSIC THEORY

PURPOSE: To provide advanced training in music analysis, research, and writing for students pursuing a career in the college-level teaching of music theory.

MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Bachelor's degree in music.
- 2. Minimum GPA of 3.00 for last 60 semester hours and 3.00 for all music hours. Minimum 3.25 GPA in all music theory courses in undergraduate degree program.
- 3. Submission of Graduate Record Examination General Test scores.
- 4. Submission of TOEFL or IELTS scores (as applicable) that meet University of Houston minimum standards.
- 5. Submission of theoretical/analytical writing samples and other supporting materials, as requested by the theory faculty, providing evidence of appropriate ability in research and writing.
- Satisfactory results on entrance examinations in music theory and music history.
 (Unsatisfactory results will require remedial coursework beyond courses required for the degree.)

DEGREE PROGRAM:

Course number	Course name	CREDITS
MUSI 6300	Research Methods in Musicology	3
MUSI 6104 MUSI 6106	AURA Contemporary Music Ensemble; or Graduate Large Ensemble	2
MUSI 6301	Pedagogy of Music Theory	3
	Music theory electives	12
	Music history/literature elective	3
	Free graduate electives	4
MUSI 6399 & 7399	Master's Thesis	6

Total credit hours: 33

FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT: Students must demonstrate reading proficiency in French or German.

COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION REQUIREMENT: Students must pass a comprehensive examination in the last semester of study.

THESIS REQUIREMENT: Students must submit a master's thesis exhibiting original research in an area of music theory.