

COLLEGE OF MUSIC
College Specific Tier II Writing Criteria

The College of Music issued the following Tier II guidelines to the Departments, Schools and Programs that offer undergraduate degrees.

To meet the University Tier II writing requirement, all music majors must complete MUS 381 - *20th Century Music (W)*.

In Music 381, there are two writing assignments. Each assignment is an analysis of a short music composition written by the student demonstrating twentieth-century techniques. At least two citations must be selected from two separate sources. As online access to periodicals through the MSU Fine Arts Library increases, citation selection will be expanded to require at least one citation from a list of online sources.

The goals of the writing are technical and are directed toward preparation of a well-constructed paper with convincing and informative musical analysis. Students are urged to purchase *Writing About Music* by Richard J. Wingell for assistance. Requirements and writing tips are covered in class, in lab, and via a series of Web pages.

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