



Drumming Syllabus: 6-Month Course

Month 1: Foundations & Basic Coordination

Objective: Develop basic rhythm, drum setup knowledge, and stick control.

- Proper **drum kit setup, posture, and stick grip**.
- Introduction to **basic strokes** (single stroke, double stroke, rebound control).
- **Basic grooves & notation:** Understanding drum sheet music, metronome practice.
- Playing simple **rock beats & basic fills**.

Month 2: Groove Building & Rudiments

Objective: Strengthen rhythm, hand-foot coordination, and groove consistency.

- **Single & double stroke rolls, paradiddles, flams** (basic rudiments).
- **Hi-hat control & dynamics** (open/closed hi-hat techniques).
- Groove variations: **8th-note, 16th-note beats, shuffle beats**.
- **Basic song play-along** to apply grooves in real music.

Month 3: Independence & Style Exploration

Objective: Improve hand-foot independence and explore different drumming styles.

- **Bass drum control & syncopation** exercises.
- Introduction to **ghost notes & dynamic playing**.
- Exploring **funk, blues, reggae, and Latin rhythms**.
- Playing in **odd-time signatures (5/4, 7/8)**.

Month 4: Speed, Control & Improvisation

Objective: Develop faster hands & feet, and learn creative fills & transitions.

- Advanced **rudiments around the kit** (paradiddle-diddles, flam taps, drags).
- **Linear drumming concepts** for creative fills.

- **Triplets & polyrhythms** for advanced groove variations.
- Introduction to **improvisation & soloing techniques**.

Month 5: Basics of Music Production

Objective: Learn how drummers can create and produce music.

- **Beat production techniques** (programming drum parts).
- **Mixing & mastering fundamentals** for drummers.
- Understanding **DAWs (Digital Audio Workstations)**.
- Creating **drum tracks for different genres**.

Month 6: Professional Drumming & Self-Teaching Techniques

Objective: Master advanced drumming skills and learn how to grow independently.

- **Advanced soloing, groove feel across all genres.**
- **Session drumming & live gig preparation.**
- **Composing drum parts & building a unique style.**
- **Self-teaching using ChatGPT, YouTube, and online resources.**
- Career tips: **Networking as a professional drummer.**

By the end of 6 months, you'll have the skills to play professionally, improvise, produce beats, and continue learning independently, setting you up for long-term success.