

DEGREES & CERTIFICATES

MUSIC ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (AA)

About the Program

The Associate of Arts in Music offers a secure foundation for further study in music, and is designed to prepare students to transfer to many four-year colleges. Courses in the Music Department will fulfill the needs of music majors, professional musicians, and those whose interest is recreational. Students who obtain this degree will have completed the common core of lower division courses, including piano courses required for a CSU baccalaureate degree in Music, as well as most UCs and private institutions.

Program Goals and Objectives

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Career Opportunities

Examples of careers for the music major include the following: Accompanist, Acoustician, Adjudicator/Clinician, Agent, Arranger Arts, Entertainment and Contract Attorney, Arts Journalist/Reviewer, Arts/Personnel Management, Arts Marketing and Sales, Audio Production, Composer, Conductor, Copyist/Transcriber, Copyright Consultant, Cruise Ship Entertainer, Curator (Arts, Instruments and Manuscripts), Editor, Film/T.V./Video Game Composer, Foley Artist, Fundraiser/Grant Writer, Instrument Designer and Builder, Instrument Manufacturer, Intellectual Property Rights Attorney, Keyboard Technician/Piano Tuner, Lyricist, Music-Consultant, Music Librarian, Music Psychologist, Music Store Owner, Music Theoretician, Music Therapist, Musical Theater/Pit Musician, Musicologist, Organ Builder/Tuner/Technician, Part Preparer, Performer, Producer, Music Educator, Music Publisher, Recording Session Musician, Songwriter, Sound and Stage Technician, Sound Designer, Sound Engineer, Tour/Road Manager

Program Outcomes

- Upon completion of the AA in Music, students are able to adhere to recognized standards of professionalism in a rehearsal setting.
- Upon completion of the AA in Music, students are able to apply theoretical and analytical tools to musical compositions and performance practices.
- Upon completion of the AA in Music, students are able to develop a general overview of music history and stylistic developments to inform performance and analysis.
- Upon completion of the AA in Music, students are able to play or sing on pitch in a section and ensemble as directed by a conductor.

Required Core: (22 units)

MUS 8A Music Theory and Musicianship 1.....	4
MUS 8B Music Theory and Musicianship 2.....	4
MUS 10A Music Theory and Musicianship 3.....	4
MUS 10B Music Theory and Musicianship 4.....	4
MUS 21A Beginning Piano or	1
MUS 18A Jazz/Pop Piano 1.....	1
MUS 21B Intermediate Piano or	1
MUS 18B Jazz/Pop Piano 2.....	1
MUS 38 Applied Lessons.....	1

List A: Select from Below (4 Units)

MUS 1 Introduction to Music.....	3
MUS 3 World Music.....	3
MUS 4 Jazz in American Culture.....	3
MUS 5 American Cultures in Music.....	3
MUS 13 History of Rock & Roll.....	3
MUS 18A Jazz/Pop Piano 1.....	1
MUS 18B Jazz/Pop Piano 2.....	1
MUS 19 Studies in Music Composition.....	3
MUS 20A Elementary Guitar.....	1
MUS 20B Study of Guitar.....	1
MUS 22A Scoring for Film and Multimedia 1.....	3
MUS 23A Elementary Voice.....	1
MUS 23B Intermediate Voice.....	1
MUS 31 Study of Piano.....	1
MUS 34 Music in Film.....	3
MUS 35 Introduction to Music Technology.....	3
MUS 36 Intermediate Music Technology.....	3
MUS 37 Music Business.....	3
MUS 47 College Productions-Music.....	1

List B: Select from Below (4 Units)

MUS 11 Commercial Music Combo.....	1
MUS 14 Jazz Workshop.....	1
MUS 15 Jazz Ensemble.....	1
MUS 16 Philharmonic Orchestra.....	1
MUS 17A Jazz Combo 1.....	1
MUS 17B Jazz Combo 2.....	1
MUS 41 Instrumental Chamber Music.....	1
MUS 44 Concert Choir.....	1
MUS 45 Chamber Choir.....	2
MUS 46 Vocal Jazz Ensemble.....	2
MUS 48 Improvisation Lab.....	1

Total Units for the Major	30
Additional General Education and Elective Units	30