

MUSIC, AA-T

Arts Division Degree A0347

Music is a broad-based academic discipline with foundational coursework in theory and performance. By providing a theoretical understanding of the development and creation of music, along with requisite technical proficiency, it is expected that these skills will be used to demonstrate musical sensitivity and creativity as a soloist or in the context of a musical ensemble. To further foster these skills, optional courses in the areas of piano and music history should also be taken. The degree requires four semesters of theory, four semesters of applied music (lessons), and four semesters of musical ensemble to provide the skills necessary for transferring to a 4-year institution to pursue a degree in music, including composition, performance, and/or music education.

To earn an associate degree for transfer, a student must complete 60 semester units that are eligible for transfer to a CSU that consist of: IGETC pattern or CSU GE breadth and a major of at least 18 units. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 in all CSU-transferable coursework to receive an associate degree for transfer and all courses in the major must be completed with a C or better. Students earning an associate degree for transfer will not be required to complete any other local graduation requirements.

Required Courses

Course Prefix	Course Name	Units
Theory & Musicianship		
Choose one course from the following:		3-4
MUS 2 & MUS 5A	Music Theory and Musicianship - Ear Training and Sight Singing	
MUS 7	Fundamentals of Music	
MUS 3A	Harmony - Diatonic	3
MUS 3B	Harmony - Chromatic I	3
MUS 3C	Harmony - Chromatic II	3
MUS 5B	Musicianship - Diatonic	1
MUS 6A	Musicianship - Chromatic I	1
MUS 6B	Musicianship - Chromatic II	1
Applied Music		
4 semesters, 0.5 units each		2
MUS 16	Individual Instruction	
Ensemble		
6 units or 4 semesters, variable 1.5-2 units each		5-8
MUS 27	Chamber Music	
MUS 31	Concert Choir	
MUS 34	Women's Vocal Ensemble	
MUS 39	Laboratory Band	
MUS 45	Chamber Singers	
MUS 47	Jazz Ensemble	
MUS 48	Men's Vocal Ensemble	
MUS 49	Wind Ensemble	
MUS 50	Jazz Improvisation and Performance Choir	
Total Units for Major		23-26

CSU General Education or IGETC Pattern ¹	39-42
Total Units	60

¹ Courses may be double-counted with either CSU-GE or IGETC.

Music Department Website (<http://mtsac.edu/music>)

Guided Pathway of Study (<http://www.mtsac.edu/instruction>)

Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program, a student will be able to:

- Demonstrate proficiency in the rehearsal, collaboration, and performance of music across a wide range of compositional styles and in a variety of venues.
- Demonstrate proficiency in the analysis and composition of tonal music.
- Students will demonstrate proficiency in the dictation and sight singing of tonal music
- Demonstrate proficiency in sight reading, transposition, and improvisation at the keyboard
- Comprehend and communicate in writing the cultural and historical contexts of music, as well as stylistic differences, in the Western classical traditions.

Review [Student Learning Outcomes \(SLOs\)](#) for this program.