

Associate in Arts in Music

Program Outcomes

Upon completion of this degree, students will have experienced a comprehensive introduction to music theory and performance, providing an active space for enculturation in both academic and professional environments of the music industry. The program will foster habits of mind conducive to building a creative and active learning community. Additionally it will promote curiosity, flexibility, and openness to new information systems and approaches to learning in the service of creating expansive and enhanced spaces for persistence, engagement, and shared responsibility for the success of the curriculum.

Employment Opportunities or Additional Educational Options

This degree prepares students for transfer to four-year institutions to study music and related fields for the long range goal of careers in secondary education and college teaching or personal careers in performance. Students should meet with their advisor frequently to address specific career goals.

To Learn More About This Program

Contact the Office of First Year Experience at (269) 782-1499 or info@swmich.edu.

Degree Requirements

To earn this degree, students must have an overall GPA of 2.0, fulfill the course requirements of the program listed below, and complete a minimum of 60 credit hours. Additionally, each General Education course must be completed with a minimum grade of "C." Courses marked with an asterisk may be substituted for different courses with approval. Talk to an advisor for specific details.

General Education and MTA Courses

COMMUNICATIONS

Course ID	Course	Credits
ENGL 103 or 103W	Freshman English 2 (or with workshop)	3 to 4 credits
ENGL 104	Freshman English 3	3 credits

MATHEMATICS

Course ID	Course	Credits
MATH 128	Contemporary Mathematics*	4 credits

NATURAL SCIENCE

Course ID	Course	Credits
ENST 112	Environmental Science*	4 credits
GEOG 110	Physical Geography*	4 credits

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Course ID	Course	Credits
EDUC 215	Human Development and Learning*	3 credits
PSYC 101	General Psychology*	3 credits

HUMANITIES

Course ID	Course	Credits
HUMA 204	Introduction to Film	3 credits
MUSI 101	Music Theory 1	3 credits

Major Specific Required Courses

Course ID	Course	Credits
EDUC 120	Educational Exploration and Planning	1 credit
CMUS 1160 or CMUS 1180	Enrichment Symphonic Band or Enrichment Concert Choir	0 credit
MUSI 102	Music Theory 2	3 credits
MUSI 105	Aural Skills 1	1 credit
MUSI 106	Aural Skills 2	1 credit
MUSI 113 or 123	Jazz Ensemble or Chamber Singers	1 to 2 credits
MUSI 116 or 118	Symphonic Band or Concert Choir	1 credit
MUSI 141	Class Piano	1 credit
MUSI 142	Applied Music 1: Piano	.5 credit
MUSI 143	Applied Music 2: Piano	.5 credit
MUSI 201	Music Theory 3	3 credits
MUSI 202	Music Theory 4	3 credits
MUSI 203	Music History 1	3 credits
MUSI 204	Music History 2	3 credits
MUSI 205	Aural Skills 3	1 credit
MUSI 206	Aural Skills 4	1 credit
MUSI 213 or 223	Jazz Ensemble or Chamber Singers	1 to 2 credits
MUSI 251	Applied Music 3	1 credit
MUSI 252	Applied Music 4	1 credit

Additional Notes About the A.A. Music Program

- This program as outlined meets MTA requirements.
- Students may need to take additional courses beyond the ones listed above to reach 60 credits.
- Courses taken out of sequence may delay a student's ability to complete the program in a timely manner.
- This program is subject to change. Students should consult with their advisor for program updates.

Additional Notes About the A.A. Music Program (continued)

- A prerequisite course may be needed prior to enrollment in some courses within this program. Specific prerequisite requirements are listed in the Course Description section in the Course Catalog. A summary of the prerequisites are listed below in the Example Course Sequence.
- Each student should submit a graduation application at least one full semester before he/she plans to graduate.

Example Course Sequence

The following is a sample of a semester-by-semester approach to completing this program.

FIRST SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of "C" Required)
EDUC 120 Educational Exploration and Planning	1 credit	CRIT 103, CRIT 103W, or test scores (concurrent enrollment allowed)
ENGL 103 or 103W Freshman English 2 (or with workshop)	3 to 4 credits	CRIT 103, CRIT 103W, or test scores (concurrent enrollment allowed); ENGL 101 or test score
MATH 128 Contemporary Mathematics	4 credits	MATH 101 or MATH 102 or test scores
MUSI 101 Music Theory 1	3 credits	None
MUSI 105 Aural Skills 1	1 credit	None, concurrent enrollment in MUSI 101 required
MUSI 113 Jazz Ensemble or MUSI 123 Chamber Singers	1 to 2 credits	MUSI 112: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 116 or CMUS 1160 MUSI 123: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 118 or CMUS 1180
MUSI 141 Class Piano	1 credit	None
MUSI 251 Applied Music 3	1 credit	None; may be repeated twice for credit

SECOND SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of "C" Required)
ENGL 104 Freshman English 3	3 credits	ENGL 103 or ENGL 103W
GEOG 110 Physical Geography	4 credits	None
MUSI 102 Music Theory 2	3 credits	MUSI 101 or permission of appropriate Dean
MUSI 106 Aural Skills 2	1 credit	MUSI 105 or permission of appropriate Dean; concurrent enrollment in MUSI 102 required
MUSI 113 Jazz Ensemble or MUSI 123 Chamber Singers	1 to 2 credits	MUSI 112: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 116 or CMUS 1160 MUSI 123: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 118 or CMUS 1180
MUSI 142 Applied Music 1	.5 credit	None
MUSI 251 Applied Music 3	1 credit	None; may be repeated twice for credit

THIRD SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of "C" Required)
PSYC 101 General Psychology	3 credits	CRIT 103, CRIT 103W, or test scores (concurrent enrollment allowed)
ENST 112 Environmental Science	4 credits	None
MUSI 201 Music Theory 3	3 credits	MUSI 102
MUSI 203 Music History 1	3 credits	MUSI 102
MUSI 205 Aural Skills 3	1 credit	MUSI 106; concurrent enrollment in MUSI 201 required
MUSI 213 Jazz Ensemble 2 or MUSI 223 Chamber Singers 2	1 to 2 credits	MUSI 112: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 116 or CMUS 1160 MUSI 123: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 118 or CMUS 1180
MUSI 143 Applied Music 2: Piano	.5 credit	MUSI 142; may be repeated twice for credit
MUSI 252 Applied Music 4	1 credit	MUSI 251; may be repeated twice for credit

FOURTH SEMESTER

Courses	Credits	Prerequisites (Minimum Grade of "C" Required)
EDUC 215 Human Development and Learning	3 credits	PSYC 101
HUMA 204 Introduction to Film	3 credits	ENGL 103 or ENGL 103W; CRIT 103, CRIT 103W, or test scores (concurrent enrollment allowed)
MUSI 202 Music Theory 4	3 credits	MUSI 201
MUSI 204 Music History 2	2 credits	MUSI 102
MUSI 206 Aural Skills 4	1 credit	MUSI 205; concurrent enrollment in MUSI 202 required
MUSI 213 Jazz Ensemble 2 or MUSI 223 Chamber Singers	1 to 2 credits	MUSI 112: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 116 or CMUS 1160 MUSI 123: concurrent enrollment in MUSI 118 or CMUS 1180
MUSI 143 Applied Music 2: Piano	.5 credit	MUSI 142; may be repeated twice for credit
MUSI 252 Applied Music 4	1 credit	MUSI 251; may be repeated twice for credit