

Music

Associate in Arts

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The Associate in Arts in Music offers a well-rounded general education degree, including a concentration in music courses, which prepares students for transfer to four year institutions.

These courses are suggested by the department to meet the Associate in Arts degree requirements. For a complete list of course options, please see the Associate in Arts curriculum guide in the catalog.

General Education Requirements

The general education courses listed for this degree require a C (2.0) or better for graduation. See "General Education Requirements" for more information and full listing of all general education courses.

Course Sequence

◆ Some of the courses in this curriculum must be taken in a prescribed sequence because of prerequisite requirements. The listing that follows is a suggested sequence of courses for full-time students who start in the Fall semester.

If you are a part-time student or have transferred courses from another college, you should plan to complete the courses listed under Semester I before taking the courses listed under Semester II and so forth. Please see an advisor for sequencing and course substitution questions.

◆ You will need to demonstrate proficiencies in reading, mathematics and English based on SMC assessment tests, ACT or SAT scores, or by taking the recommended classes.

◆ This degree can be adapted for various transfer institutions. Please contact your advisor to determine specific course requirements at the receiving institution prior to selecting options or electives.

Course	Credits
Semester I	
ENGL 103 Freshman English II OR ENGL 103W Freshman English II w Workshop	3 4
MATH 128 Contemporary Mathematics	4
MUSI 101 Music Theory I	3
MUSI 105 Aural Skills I	1
MUSI 113 Jazz Ensemble	1
OR	
MUSI 123 Chamber Singers	(2)
MUSI 141 Class Piano	1
MUSI 251 Applied Music III	1
Semester II	
ENGL 104 Freshman English III	3
GEOG 110 Physical Geography	4
MUSI 102 Music Theory II	3
MUSI 106 Aural Skills II	1
MUSI 113 Jazz Ensemble	1
OR	
MUSI 123 Chamber Singers	(2)
MUSI 142 Applied Music I: Piano	.5
MUSI 251 Applied Music III	1
PSYC 101 General Psychology	3
See advisor to ensure your choices in year two work well with your transfer institution.	
Semester III	
EDUC 215 Human Development and Learning	3
ENST 112 Environmental Science	4
MUSI 143 Applied Music II: Piano	.5
MUSI 201 Music Theory III	3
MUSI 203 Music History I	3
MUSI 205 Aural Skills III	1
MUSI 213 Jazz Ensemble II	1
OR	
MUSI 223 Chamber Singers II	(2)
MUSI 252 Applied Music IV	1

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Course	Credits
Semester IV	
HUMA 204 Introduction to Film	3
MUSI 143 Applied Music II: Piano	.5
MUSI 202 Music Theory IV	3
MUSI 204 Music History II	3
MUSI 206 Aural Skills IV	1
MUSI 213 Jazz Ensemble II	1
OR	
MUSI 223 Chamber Singers II	(2)
MUSI 252 Applied Music IV	1
PHED 103 Life Wellness	2
Total Program Credits	*60-61

MUSI 251/252 Applied Music III/IV each semester is for lessons on the student's major instrument or voice. Unless they have already studied piano for 3-4 years prior to attending SMC, all music majors should register for MUSI 142/143 (and/or MUSI 141) each semester. After transferring to a four-year institution, all music majors will be required to pass a piano proficiency as a part of completing their Bachelor's degree at that institution. If the student's major instrument is piano, there is no need to register for MUSI 142/143 in addition to MUSI 251/252. CMUS 2510 (Enrichment Private Instruction) is also an option for piano lessons. Students performing in multiple ensembles could also use the Enrichment option for ensembles.

*Any incoming music student that has not been in contact with a full-time music instructor prior to registering will be required to take a placement test to assess general music aptitude and may be required to attend an intensive musicianship workshop in the summer.

All music majors who are not planning to transfer as music education majors will be advised to enroll in BUSI 101 *Introduction to Business*.