

MUSIC, ASSOCIATE IN ARTS FOR TRANSFER

The Associate in Arts in Music for Transfer degree (AA-T in Music degree) is designed to prepare students for a seamless transfer into the California State University system to complete a baccalaureate degree in Music or similar major. Students completing the AA-T in Music degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular CSU campus or major. The AA-T in Music degree provides students with the knowledge and experience for a broad understanding of the musical arts. The program is divided into four core subsections: Music Theory, Music History and Literature, Instrumental Performance, and Vocal Performance. Students interested in obtaining a AA-T in Music degree are required to enroll in the core courses designed around their individual selected emphasis of study. AA-T in Music degree students are expected to have a breadth of knowledge of tonal harmony based on the common practice period; Western history and literature from the Middle Ages to current practice; intermediate skills in piano proficiency; individual lessons with students selected instrument of major; and performance experience with ensembles. Upon completion of the core courses, students are encouraged to enroll in the advance course of Music Theory, Ethnomusicology, Jazz studies, Music Technology, or Performance. In all courses, students are expected to develop critical thinking skills, evaluate their own beliefs and assumptions through the Musical Arts, as well as broaden their creative capabilities.

To assist students in accomplishing and developing their skills, the department has several performing ensembles, including: three levels of vocal ensembles, a symphony orchestra, chamber music ensembles, jazz band, opera and musical theater. The Ventura College Department of Music has been the catalyst in developing The Ventura Music Festival, New West Symphony, and Ventura Master Chorale and it continues to be the center of the musical arts in Ventura County.

To earn a Music AA-T degree, students must complete:

1. Certified completion of 60 semester units or 90 quarter units that are eligible for transfer to the California State University, including both of the following:
 - a. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC-CSU) or the California State University General Education-Breadth Requirements.
 - b. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in a major or area of emphasis, as determined by the community college district.
2. Obtainment of a minimum grade point average of 2.0 on transfer courses.
3. Obtainment of a "C" grade or better, or "P" in all courses required for the major or area of emphasis. Although a "P" grade is allowed (Title 5, Section 55063), it is recommended that students take the course for a letter grade (A, B, or C) due to unit limitations on "P/NP" courses.

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
Required Courses		
Select one of the following:		3-4
MUS V01	Fundamentals of Music	
MUS V02A & V02AL	Music Theory I and Musicianship I	

MUS V02B	Music Theory II	3
MUS V02BL	Musicianship II	1
MUS V02C	Music Theory III	3
MUS V02CL	Musicianship III	1
MUS V02D	Music Theory IV	3
MUS V02DL	Musicianship IV	1
Units from Applied Music		2
Units from Large Ensemble		4
Additional Units/Requirements		
Completion of CSU-GE Breadth or IGETC pattern		37
Electives (CSU transferrable units to reach 60)		0
Double-counted units		1-2
Total Units		58-59

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
Applied Music ¹		
MUS V31A	Private Lessons: Woodwinds	0.5
MUS V31B	Private Lessons: Brass	0.5
MUS V31C	Private Lessons: Strings	0.5
MUS V31D	Private Lessons: Keyboards	0.5
MUS V31E	Private Lessons: Classical Guitar	0.5
MUS V31F	Private Lessons: Orchestral Percussion Instruments	0.5
MUS V31H	Private Lessons: Voice	0.5

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A course may be taken four times.

Course ID	Title	Units/Hours
Large Ensemble ¹		
MUS V10	Concert Choir	1
MUS V12	Community Choir	1
MUS V15	Community Orchestra	1
MUS V17	Jazz Band	1
MUS V34	Symphony Orchestra	1

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See a counselor or consult assist.org, especially if you plan to transfer to a UC campus or a college or university other than CSU

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

- Apply lessons of assigned course work and or knowledge and skills attained throughout the course work to new and varied subjects.
- Generate new ideas, express their selves creatively, or solve complex problems in an original way
- Use course work and information taught throughout the course to draw conclusions or create new sources of information that can be shared with others.