**Music PROGRAM**

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**About the Degree Requirements**

**MUST 101**

**Theory Sequence Prerequisite**

Students without prior music theory preparation must complete MUST 101 prior to starting the music theory sequence at MJC. Students with music theory background who wish to bypass MUST 101 must petition using a Prerequisite Challenge Form to gain admission into MUST 121. They must be prepared to take a placement test prior to the first day of class consisting of the following topics: musical notation of basic rhythms, all major and minor scales, key signatures, all diatonic intervals, and all triads and seventh chords. For more information please contact a music faculty member.

**Applied Music Courses**

Applied courses focus on the development of technical skill and insight into musical performance through primarily individualized instruction on a specific instrument or voice. See an advisor to select the appropriate applied course. Auditions may be required.

**Ensemble Courses**

Ensemble courses provide students with experience performing in a group setting such as Chor, Community Orchestra, Concert and Symphonic Band, Guitar Orchestra, as well as other smaller groups. See an advisor to select the appropriate ensemble course for your instrument/voice. Auditions may be required.

**Keyboard Proficiency Courses**

Music majors must take keyboard (piano) courses to prepare for the piano proficiency requirement within most bachelor of music degrees. Students whose primary instrument is piano may use applied piano coursework to satisfy this requirement.

**General Education Courses**

All candidates for an associate degree at MJC are required to satisfy general education requirements. Music majors should see a music advisor to select appropriate GE courses. Prerequisites may be required. 39 units for CSU-GE, 37-39 units for IGETC. Students who plan to pursue a bachelor degree after transferring are advised to follow CSU-GE or IGETC patterns.

**Other Degree Requirements**

Students who follow the Associate Degree for Transfer Pathway (CSU Transfer Model Curriculum) are exempt from the Guidance and Activity requirement for degree. Students who follow the Career/Technical Education Pathway or the University Preparation Pathway are not exempt from this requirement.
The MJC Music Program offers courses for students wishing to earn an associate's degree in music, general education courses for non-music majors, and courses designed for community members. These include a comprehensive curriculum of music theory and musicianship. Ensemble and production courses include Concert and Symphonic Bands, Day and Evening Jazz Bands, Concert and Chamber Choirs, Masterworks Chorus, Community Orchestra, Guitar Orchestra, opera/musical theatre productions, chamber music performances, and electronic music productions. The program also offers applied studies in piano, organ, harpsichord, guitar, voice, violin/viola, cello/bass, woodwinds, and brass/percussion, as well as survey courses such as Music Appreciation, Introduction to World Music, Introduction to American Popular Music, and History of Western Music.

ABOUT THE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

MUS 101
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Applied courses focus on the development of technical skill and insight into musical performance through primarily individualized instruction on a special instrument or voice. See an advisor to select the appropriate applied course. Auditions may be required.

Ensemble Courses
Ensemble courses provide students with experience performing in a group setting such as Choir, Community Orchestra, Concert and Symphonic Band, Guitar Orchestra, as well as other smaller groups. See an advisor to select the appropriate ensemble course for your instrument/voice. Auditions may be required.

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MUST 131 (NP) Aural Skills 1
MUST 132 (NP) Aural Skills 2
MUST 133 (NP) Aural Skills 3
MUST 134 (NP) Aural Skills 4

APPLIED COURSES, CHOOSE FROM THE FOLLOWING OFFERINGS ACROSS A CENTURY. FOUR SEMESTERS / FOUR UNITS ARE REQUIRED:

MUS 124 (NP) Applied Piano
MUS 145 (NP) Applied Classical Guitar
MUS 153 (NP) Applied Vocal Repertoire 1
MUS 154 (NP) Applied Vocal Repertoire 2
MUS 162 (NP) Applied Music (Voice & Viola)
MUS 164 (NP) Applied Music (Cello & Bass)
MUS 173 (NP) Applied Brass and Percussion
MUS 183 (NP) Applied Woodwinds

ENSEMBLE COURSES: CHOOSE FROM THE FOLLOWING OFFERINGS ACROSS A CENTURY. FOUR SEMESTERS / FOUR UNITS ARE REQUIRED:

MUSE 145 (NP) Guitar Orchestra
MUSE 155 (NP) Concert Choir
MUSE 156 (NP) Chamber Choir
MUSE 161 (NP) Community Orchestra
MUSE 165 (NP) String Orchestra
MUSE 175 (NP) Symphonic Band
MUSE 181 (NP) Jazz Band

PROGRAM LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon satisfactory completion of this award, the student should be prepared to:
1. Demonstrate musical literacy by decoding music notation through their instrument and/or voice.
2. Demonstrate the ability to use basic musical notation.
3. Perform and stylistically interpret music on their applied instrument or voice, in an ensemble and/or in a solo setting.
4. Demonstrate an awareness of the scope, variety, and structure of works in the canon of traditional western art music.

The following is required for the AA Degree in MUSIC for Transfer:
1. A minimum of 18 semester units or 27 quarter units in the major with a grade of C or better or "P" (Pass) while maintaining a minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 in all CSU transferrable coursework.
2. Completion of 60 semester or 90 quarter CSU-transferable units using the CSU-GE Breadth or the IGETC pattern.
3. Exactly 60 semester units or 90 quarter units are required for the degree.

REQUIRED CORE: (16 UNITS)

MUST 121 (NP) Music Theory 1
MUST 122 (NP) Music Theory 2
MUST 123 (NP) Music Theory 3
MUST 124 (NP) Music Theory 4
MUST 131 (NP) Aural Skills 1
MUST 132 (NP) Aural Skills 2
MUST 133 (NP) Aural Skills 3
MUST 134 (NP) Aural Skills 4

A.A.-T DEGREE: MUSIC

ABOUT THIS PROGRAM

The MJC Music Program offers courses for students wishing to earn an associate’s degree in music. Our comprehensive curriculum includes the following core classes for music majors: music theory and musicianship classes; ensemble classes that include Concert and Symphonic Bands, Day and Evening Jazz Bands, Concert and Chamber Choirs, Masterworks Chorus, Community Orchestra, Guitar Orchestra, Opera and Musical Theatre productions, as well as Chamber Music performances. The program also offers applied studies in piano, organ, harpsichord, guitar, voice, violin/viola, cello/bass, woodwinds, and brass/percussion. Lastly, our program also offers survey courses such as Music Appreciation, Introduction to World Music, Introduction to American Popular Music, and History of Western Music that can be taken as electives by both music and non-music majors.

The Associate in Arts in Music for Transfer degree is intended for students who plan to complete a bachelor’s degree in Music Studies at a CSU campus. Students completing the transfer degree are guaranteed admission to the CSU system, but not to a particular campus or major. Students transferring to a CSU campus that accepts this degree will be required to complete no more than 60 units after transferring to earn a bachelor’s degree. The transfer degree may not be the best option for students intending to transfer to a particular CSU campus or a university that is not part of the CSU system. In all cases, students should consult with a counselor for more information on university admission and transfer requirements.