Music

Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) Degree

Program Requirements	35
Program Electives	3
General Education/MnTC	30
Total Credits	68

Program Information

The Associate of Fine Arts (AFA) in Music degree program is designed for transfer to a bachelor's degree in music. Students may choose an elective course related to music education, music therapy, or music business. For assistance in program planning, or to explore additional transfer options, students should schedule a time to meet with an academic advisor. This degree may transfer in part or in its entirety to baccalaureate institutions. Students should meet with a representative of the transfer institution when planning their program.

Program Goals

By completing this program, students will achieve the following learning goals

- 1. Demonstrate a required level of artistry and technical proficiency on their instrument;
- 2. Demonstrate a required level of music analytical competence;
- 3. Demonstrate a required level of aural recognition;
- 4. Understand the historical and cultural development of music throughout the ages; and
- 5. Communicate informed personal reactions to recorded and live music.

Developmental Courses

Some students may need preparatory courses in the areas of English, mathematics, or reading. Courses numbered below 1000 will not apply toward this degree.

Piano Proficiency

Two semester sequence of Keyboard lab prepares students for the piano proficiency exam at a transfer institution. Keyboard competency exam may be administered on an individual basis, contact the piano faculty for testing.

Completion Requirements

- A minimum of 68 semester credits in courses numbered 1000 or above
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in courses numbered 1000 or above at ARCC.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in all MnTC courses.
- Satisfy residency requirements.
- A minimum grade of C must be earned in all program requirements.
- Completion of specific degree requirements.
- To complete your program, please submit the appropriate application found here.
- The requirements of this program are subject to change without notice.

Program Requirements: 35 credits

☐ MUSC 1101	Introduction to World Music (included in the MnTC)
☐ MUSC 1113	Introduction to Music Technology 1
☐ MUSC 1116	Music Theory I (included in the MnTC)
☐ MUSC 1117	Aural Comprehension I
☐ MUSC 1121	Keyboard Skills for Majors I
☐ MUSC 1121	Keyboard Skills for Majors II
☐ MUSC 1126◆	Music Theory II
☐ MUSC 1127♦	Asset Comment and a street
☐ MUSC 2201	Aural Comprehension II
□ MUSC 2201	Music History and Literature I (included in the MnTC)
☐ MUSC 2202	Music History and Literature II (included in the
	MnTC)
☐ MUSC 2216♦	Advanced Music Theory I
☐ MUSC 2217◆	Advanced Aural Comprehension I
☐ MUSC 2226◆	Advanced Music Theory II
☐ MUSC 2227◆	Advanced Aural Comprehension II
Music Large Ensem	
☐ MUSC 1106	Concert Band 0-1
☐ MUSC 1107	String Orchestra 0-1
☐ MUSC 1108	Concert Choir 0-1
Music Small Ensem	
☐ MUSC 1145	World Drumming Ensemble0-1
☐ MUSC 1146	Jazz Ensemble 0-1
☐ MUSC 1147^	Musical Theatre Ensemble 0-1
☐ MUSC 1148^	Chamber Singers 0-1
☐ MUSC 1149	Guitar Ensemble 0-1
☐ MUSC 2145	Chamber Ensembles 0-1
	(one per course) are to be chosen from the options
	on major instrument, and courses may be repeated (see
	sic Department Handbook for recommendations).
	on Credits:
	AFA Applied Lesson (3 semesters at
□ 1/1000 2170	2 credits each)**
☐ MUSC 2175^	
☐ MUSC 2151	AFA Performance Hour (4 semesters)
	s of Applied Lessons (MUSC 2150 and MUSC 2175)
	recital are to be focusing on the same instrument, the
student's "major" in	
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	nowing: to Music Business, or MUSC 2115 Intro to Music
	SC 2135 Music Therapy, Techniques and Materials
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Course has prerequisite - see course schedule or catalog description.
 Course requires Instructor permission.

NOTE: You are encouraged to contact an academic advisor at 763-433-1230 for course planning assistance and information about transfer credit evaluation and transfer options.



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General Education/MnTC Requirements: 30 credits

Complete at least 30 credits in courses from the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC), including all courses that are listed. You must complete at least one course in six of the ten goal areas. One course may satisfy more than one goal area, but the course credits may be counted only once.

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	1. Communication	
	□ ENGL 1120 ♦ OR ENGL 1121 ♦	. 4
	2. Critical Thinking	
	3. Natural Science	
	☐ (BIOL 1104 is recommended)	
	4. Mathematical/Logical Reasoning	
	5. History/Social/Behavioral Sciences	
	(PSYC 1110 is recommended)	
	6. Humanities/Fine Arts	
	☐ MUSC 1116	. 3
	☐ MUSC 2201	. 3
	7. Human Diversity	
	☐ MUSC 1101	. 3
	8. Global Perspective	
	☐ MUSC 2202	. 3
	9. Ethical/Civic Responsibility	
	(PSYC 2250 is recommended)	
П	10. People and the Environment	

NOTE: If students do not follow the recommended MnTC courses listed, additional credits may be required to complete this degree program.

Program Sequence:

The sequence that follows is suggested for full-time students. Part-time students will need more time to complete this program.

	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
1st YEAR	MUSC 1116/1117	MUSC 1126/1127
	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
2nd YEAR	Fall Semester MUSC 2216/2217 5 MUSC 2201 3 MUSC Large Ensemble 1 MUSC 2150/2151 2 MUSC Small Ensemble 1 Gen Ed 6 TOTAL 18	Spring Semester MUSC 1113



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