

AA Music

The music department at Cañada College provides a variety of courses to introduce students to the many ways of knowing music. The selection of courses in the music major gives a student several different creative outlets and prepares an open mind for the wide array of possibilities in the rapidly changing music world. Courses focus on the intersection of music and social contexts of its production. Note that this major does not specifically support transfer into most four-year degree music programs, which require ensemble performance experience and other courses available in the district.

Career Opportunities

Students who complete this AA may be interested in careers in music marketing or music production.

Program Learning Outcomes

Students completing this program will be able to:

1. Apply critical thinking in the creative process.
2. Use the language of the discipline; demonstrate a command of critical vocabulary
3. Describe the roles of creative expression in human cultures
4. Create music in performance and composition.
5. Use critical thinking in evaluating works of art in intrinsic terms, expressive content, and social context

AA Degree Requirements

Major: Core and Selective Requirements

Complete Core Courses - Music

Fundamentals and Composition, 6 units Units

MUS. 100	Fundamentals of Music	3 units
MUS. 120	Songwriting Workshop I	3 units

Selective Courses, choose a minimum of 15 units from the following:

List A (Music Traditions other than American Popular Music), choose 3 units from the following:

Units

MUS. 215	Music, Culture and History	3 units
MUS. 240	Latin American Music	3 units
MUS. 250	World Music	3 units

List B, choose 9 units from the following:

Units

Select any course in List A not already used	3 units
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MUS. 202	Music Appreciation	3 units
MUS. 210	Histories of Popular Music and Rock	3 units
MUS. 275	History of Jazz	3 units

List C (introductory applied music), choose a minimum of 3 units from the following:

Units

MUS. 301	Piano I	2 units
MUS. 302	Piano II	2 units
MUS. 303	Piano III	2 units
MUS. 304	Piano IV	2 units
MUS. 371	Guitar I	2 units
MUS. 372	Guitar II	2 units
MUS. 373	Guitar III	2 units
MUS. 374	Guitar IV	2 units

And required General Education coursework and electives as needed to meet the minimum 60 units required for the Associate degree.

