

Northern Virginia Community College 2008-2009 Catalog

MUSIC

Associate of Applied Arts Degree

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Purpose: The Associate of Applied Arts degree curriculum is designed for students who seek employment in the performing arts field. The degree offers a major in Music and a specialization in Jazz/Popular Music. Each program has a common first year.

Transfer Information: The A.A.A. degree may also be accepted for transfer by some senior colleges and universities. NOVA has a formal articulation agreement for the A.A.A. degree in Music to transfer into George Mason University's Bachelor of Music degree with Education and Performance concentrations. See the current NOVA/GMU Bachelor of Music transfer sheet for more information. Students wishing to use the degree for transfer to other four-year institutions should consult with a counselor or faculty advisor regarding the transfer requirements of the institution of their choice.

Recommended Preparation: An interview with the music faculty may be required before beginning the program.

Special Curriculum Completion Requirements: Applied music students: Tuition fees are payable to the College. Studio charges are payable to applied music instructors. Applied proficiency requirements must be met in order for students to advance to the 200-level of applied music courses. Piano proficiency skills are required of all Music majors.

Two Years		Credits
1st Semester		
ENG	111 College Composition I	3
MUS	Applied Music (major)	2
¹ MUS	Applied Music (minor)	1
MUS	Chorus/Band/Orchestra/Ensemble	1
MUS	111 Music Theory I	4
² PED	116 Lifetime Fitness & Wellness	1
³ _____	Social Science Elective	3
SDV	Elective	<u>1</u>
	Total	16
2nd Semester		
ENG	112 College Composition II	3
MTH	151 Math for the Liberal Arts I or MTH 152	3
MUS	Applied Music (major)	2
¹ MUS	Applied Music (minor)	1
MUS	Chorus/Band/Orchestra/Ensemble	1
MUS	112 Music Theory II	4
² PED/RPK	Elective	1
³ _____	Social Science Elective	<u>3</u>
	Total	18
3rd Semester		
_____	General Elective	3
MUS	Applied Music (major)	2
¹ MUS	Applied Music (minor)	1
MUS	Chorus/Band/Orchestra/Ensemble	1
MUS	211 Advanced Music Theory I	4
MUS	221 History of Music I	<u>3</u>
	Total	14
4th Semester		
⁴ _____	Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3
MUS	Applied Music (major)	2
¹ MUS	Applied Music (minor)	1
MUS	Chorus/Band/Orchestra/Ensemble	1
MUS	212 Advanced Music Theory II	4
MUS	222 History of Music II	3
SPD	110 Intro. to Speech Communication	<u>3</u>
	Total	17

Total credits for the A.A.A. Degree in Music = 65.

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¹ Class instruction such as Class Voice or Class Piano may be substituted.

² The PED requirement may be met by one of the following options: PED 116, 2 cr.; PED 116, 1 cr. plus a PED activities course, 1 cr.; or PED 116, 1 cr. plus RPK activities course. PED 116 is offered as both a 1-credit and a 2-credit course.

³ The social science elective may be selected from the social/behavioral sciences courses listed under General Education Electives.

⁴ Humanities/fine arts elective may be selected from the humanities/fine arts courses listed under General Education Electives. Elective should be selected with advice of a counselor or faculty advisor to meet requirements of transfer institution.