



Commercial Music, Songwriting/Arranging Emphasis A.A. Degree - Cal-GETC GE

This program map represents one possible path for completing this program. **Please see a counselor** to create an educational plan that is customized to meet your needs. This path is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2025-26

Total Units: 69-71

First Year

Semester 1

14-16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUSM 342	Recording Studio Techniques I	3	
Maj	MUFHL 309	Introduction to American Popular Music	3	Cal-GETC Area 3A
Maj	MUIVI 345	Beginning Piano I	1-2	
GE	ENGL C1000* / ENGWR 488 ^H / ESLW 340	Academic Reading and Writing	3-4	Cal-GETC Area 1A
GE		Social and Behavioral Sciences	1	Cal-GETC Area 4
Elec	INDIS 313**	Freshman Seminar	3	

*If you don't place directly in ENGL C1000 (check your eServices account), you will need to take ENGWR 80/ENGL C1000 combo course.

****INDIS 313 - Freshman Seminar is specifically designed for First Time in College students. This course is a non-required elective. If you're not a First Time in College student and/or you only would like to take required courses, you do not need to take this course.**

Semester 2

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUFHL 320	Exploring Music	3	
Maj	MUSM 320	Contemporary Songwriting	3	
GE	MATH 300*	Introduction to Mathematical Ideas	3	Cal-GETC Area 2
GE		**Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	Cal-GETC Area 4
GE		Critical Thinking & Composition	3	Cal-GETC Area 1B

*If you don't place directly in MATH 300 (check your eServices account), you will need to take MATHS 95/MATH 300 combo course.

Legend

- (H) - Honors
- Elec - Elective
- GE - General Education
- Maj - Required Core
- ME - Major Elective

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure that what is listed in the SCC Program Paths are accurate. The courses, the course sequencing, and the programs are subject to change without notice by the administration of the Los Rios Community College District and Sacramento City College at the discretion of the district and Sacramento City College. Further, Sacramento City College reserves the right to amend any course or program.

PLEASE SEE AN SCC COUNSELOR.

AA/AS Requirements

Associate Degrees require the following:

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 degree-applicable units with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C" average). A minimum of 12 units must be completed within the Los Rios Community College District.
2. Completion of each required course with a grade of "C" or better for a major offered at Sacramento City College.
3. Completion of the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC). Areas 1 through 6 must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

Students with Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Credit (IB) test scores should notify their Counselor to learn more about how test scores may be used for credit.

****Cal-GETC Area 4 requires 2 courses from different disciplines. Select a course from Cal-GETC Area 4 from a different discipline than the previously completed Cal-GETC Area 4 course.**

Summer Term

6 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
GE		Humanities	3	Cal-GETC Area 3B
GE		Ethnic Studies	3	Cal-GETC Area 6

Exception: Students who possess a bachelor's (BA/BS) or higher degree from a college or university accredited through a regional accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) are deemed to have satisfied both the general education and graduation competency requirements for an AA/AS degree. Degrees from accredited institutions outside of the US will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Placement Information

Check your eServices account under "Academic Records" to determine your Math and English placements.

Important Links

[SCC General Counseling](#)
[Music- Commercial Music, Songwriting/Arranging Emphasis](#)
[Arts & Communication Meta Majors](#)

Second year

Semester 3

15.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUSM 321 +	Contemporary Songwriting	3	
Maj	MUFHL 400	Music Theory and Musicianship I	4	
Maj	MUSM 330	Introduction to MIDI: Musical Instrument Digital Interface	2.5	
Maj	MUSM 110	The Business of Music	3	
GE		Oral Communication	3	Cal-GETC Area 1C

+Prerequisite for MUSM 321: MUSM 320 with a grade of "C" or better

Semester 4

14.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	MUFHL 401	Music Theory and Musicianship II	4	
Maj	MUSM 331 +	Intermediate MIDI: Musical Instrument Digital Interface	2.5	
ME		*Major Elective	3	
ME		*Major Elective	2	
GE		Physical Science	3	Cal-GETC Area 5A

+ Prerequisite for MUSM 331: MUSM 330 with a grade of "C" or better

*Major Elective - A minimum of 5 units from the following: ENGCW 400, ENGLT 303, MUFHL 305, MUFHL 310, MUFHL 311, MUFHL 315, MUFHL 321, MUFHL 330, MUFHL 410+, MUFHL 411+, MUFHL 430, MUFHL 431+, MUP 424, MUSM 344+, MUSM 350+

+Prerequisite for MUFHL 410: MUFHL 401 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUFHL 411: MUFHL 410 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUFHL 431: MUFHL 430 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUSM 344: MUSM 306 or 342 with a grade of "C" or better

+Prerequisite for MUSM 350: MUSM 344 and 356 with grades of "C" or better

Summer Term

4 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
GE		Biological Science	3	Cal-GETC Area 5B
GE		*Associate Lab Component	1	Cal-GETC Area 5C

*Cal-GETC Area 5C will not be required if a laboratory activity is included in 5A or 5B.