



Applied Music

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Discover Possibilities

The Applied Music program is about discovering what you are passionate about and creating possibilities for your music career and academics.

The Applied Music program is here to prepare you for transfer to a four-year institution as a music major. You will learn in an environment modeled after leading four-year music institutions. At the same time, you will be exposed to new technologies in music and develop professional skills to help you design and achieve your music career.

The Applied music program offers individual instruction on a variety of instruments and voices in classical and contemporary styles such as pop, rock, and jazz. You have a choice of ensembles to perform in that best suit your instrument and musical style.

Applied Music Courses

The Applied Music Program at Cerritos College offers a range of courses recommended by professionals to enhance your musicianship, acquire additional skills on your primary instrument, and improve your proficiency on piano, voice, and guitar.

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MUS 100—Music Appreciation
MUS 101—World Music
MUS 104B—History of Rock
MUS 105—Music Fundamentals
MUS 110—Music Technology Fundamentals
MUS 112 - 115-Piano I - IV
MUS 116 - 119-Voice I - IV
MUS 120 - 123—Guitar I - IV
MUS 135—This Business of Music
MUS 143a—Songwriting
MUS 148—Applied Music I
MUS 149—Applied Music II
MUS 150—Applied Music III
MUS 151—Applied Music IV
MUS 156—Contemporary Music Notation
MUS 180-Music Theory I
MUS 181—Music Theory II
MUS 280—Music Theory III
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MUS 281—Music Theory IV

Applied Music Ensembles

The Applied Music Program at Cerritos College offers several music ensembles to expose you to traditional and contemporary repertory.

MUS 200E—Beginning Band

MUS 201E—Concert Band

MUS 202E—Community Symphonic Band

MUS 203E—Community Band

MUS 204E—Orchestra

MUS 205E—Community Orchestra

MUS 206E—Stage Band

MUS 207E—Jazz Ensemble

MUS 208E—Pop/Rock Latin Ensemble

MUS 216E—Piano Ensemble

MUS 219E—Collegiate Chorale

Applied Music Degree

The Applied Music Program at Cerritos College offers an Associate of Arts for Transfer degree is music. This degree prepares you for transfer to four-year music programs across the state and country. Students earning this degree successfully transfer to local CSU and UC schools as well as private institutions.

Course Number	Course Name	Units
MUS 148	Private Study/Technique	1
MUS 149	Private Study/Musical Preparation	1
MUS 150	Private Study/Performance Practice	1
MUS 151	Private Study/Recital Preparation	1
MUS 180	Music Theory/Musicianship I	4
MUS 181	Music Theory/Musicianship II	4
MUS 280	Music Theory/Musicianship III	4
Ensemble	Four semesters of an ensemble	4

Hybrid Education

The Applied Music program gives you the option to complete your degree in a hybrid model. This means that some of your education takes place online while some of it takes place in person. All content is delivered in a professional format to ensure you are receiving the highest quality education.

Our applied instructors incorporate the latest technology to ensure that your lesson experience is inspiring and motivating. You will have the same access to your instructors as you would in an in-person environment.

This hybrid program gives you the flexibility to continue working on the outside projects of your music career while earning a professional education. We will work with you to design a plan that works best for your situation.

Admission into the Applied Music Program

Admission into the Applied Music program is by audition only. Please visit www.cerritos.edu/music/auditions.htm to download the Applied Music Application Form.

To learn more about the program, please contact the Director of Applied Music, Dr. Christine Lopez at clopez@cerritos.edu.