



Arts, Media, and Technology Career and Academic Pathways (CAPs) Program Map: Associate in Arts Degree for Commercial Music and Recording

Total number of units: 60-65 units

Top Code/Academic Plan: 1005.00

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Session 1	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	MUSIC 161	Introduction to Music Technology	3		
Program Course	MUSIC 111, 116, or 141	Music Appreciation, Jazz Appreciation, or Survey and History of Rock, Pop & Soul Music	3	These courses can be double counted in LACCD Area C: Humanities.	MUSIC 111 has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu .
Program Course	MUSIC 101	Fundamentals of Music	3	This course is the prerequisite for MUSIC 205 and 281.	
Program Course	MUSIC 783-1	Pop Music Workshop I	1	The department recommends consulting with the Chair prior to enrollment. This is the prerequisite for MUSIC 783-2.	
Program Course		Choose from: MUSIC 501, 531, 721, 745, 775	1		
GE Course		Area D1: English Composition or Area D2: Communication and Analytical Thinking	3 or 5	English Composition has sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."	English Composition has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu .

Total Units 14 to 16

Intersession	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	MUSIC 321	Elementary Piano I	2	This course is the prerequisite for MUSIC 322.	
GE Course		Area B1: American Institutions	3		

Total Units 5

Session 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	MUSIC 165	Introduction to Recording Arts	3		
Program Course	MUSIC 322	Elementary Piano II	2	The prerequisite for this course is MUSIC 321.	
Program Course	MUSIC 261-1	Music Technology Workshop	3		
Program Course	MUSIC 783-1	Pop Music Workshop II	1	The department recommends consulting with the Chair prior to enrollment. This is the prerequisite for MUSIC 783-3.	
Program Course		Choose from: MUSIC 531, 721, 745, 775	1	Any of these courses may be repeated up to three times.	

Session 2	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course		Area D1: ENGLISH 101 or Area D2: MATH 125 or higher	3 to 5	Additional English and Math courses are needed for transfer. ENGLISH 101 and MATH 125 have sections that include a low cost (LCT) or no cost textbook (ZTC). Check the current catalog for the section number(s). You can search for classes in the ELAC and LACCD Schedule of Classes under "Class Search Type" as "Zero Textbook Cost" or "Low-Cost Textbook Classes."	ENGLISH 101 has sections that are part of the Honors Program. Check the current catalog for the section number(s). To apply for admission to the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Counseling Center. For additional information about the Honors Program, please visit the ELAC Honors Program website or contact Dr. Bermudez at bermudn@elac.edu .

Total Units 13 to 15

Intersession	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course		Area B2: Social and Behavioral Science	3		

Total Units 3

Session 3	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	MUSIC 205	MUSIC Notation: Sibelius	3	The prerequisite for this course is MUSIC 101.	
Program Course	MUSIC 248	MUSIC Notation and Copying I	2		
Program Course	MUSIC 281	Commercial Music Techniques I	3	The prerequisite for this course is MUSIC 101.	
Program Course	MUSIC 783-3	Pop MUSIC Workshop III	1	The department recommends consulting with the Chair prior to enrollment. This is the prerequisite for MUSIC 783-4.	
Program Course		Choose from: MUSIC 561, 721, 745, 775	1	Any of these courses may be repeated up to three times.	

Total Units 10

Intersession	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
GE Course		Area E2: Physical Education Activity	1		
GE Course		Area E1: Health Education	3		

Total Units 4

Session 4	Course Code	Course	Units	Notes	Advising Notes
Program Course	MUSIC 271	Song Writing Workshop	3		
Program Course	MUSIC 280	The Business of Commercial Music	3		
Program Course	MUSIC 783-4	Pop Music Workshop IV	1	The department recommends consulting with the Chair prior to enrollment.	
Program Course		Choose from: MUSIC 561, 721, 745, 775	1	Any of these courses may be repeated up to three times.	
GE Course		Area A: Natural Sciences	3 to 4		

Total Units 11 to 12

Degree Path and Requirements:

This map is using the LACCD GE Pattern. All MUSIC courses are taught on main Monterey Park campus. This map is a suggested term-by-term sequence of courses to complete the program in a recommended time frame. This is an efficient and recommended plan, but actual plans may vary by individual student need. This map cannot replace a meeting with [counselors](#). Students can apply for certificates as soon as the necessary courses are

completed. Meet with a counselor and the financial aid office to ensure continued financial aid. Check with [financial aid](#) for eligibility.

Department Advising Notes:

Please consult with Dr. Anthony Lupica or Dr. Lee Raby for detailed music advising.

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Program Description

This degree is designed for working in the Commercial Music Industry.

Career and Transfer Opportunities

Songwriter (film, TV, video games, commercials), recording engineer, mixer, music producer, audio technician, music supervisor, and music copyist.

Visit the [Transfer Center](#) for transfer information, which varies based on transfer college. Make an appointment with a [counselor](#). Students can visit [Career and Job Services](#) for career counseling and further exploration. For additional resources, students pursuing a certificate can visit the [American Job Center of California](#) on ELAC main campus.

Youtube Videos

[Career One Stop: Musicians and Composers](#)

[Career One Stop: Musicians and Singers](#)

Program Map

A suggested sequence of classes to complete a degree, certificate, or program of study. Students should consult an academic counselor for variations to this plan based on part-time or full-time status, transfer plans, pre-requisites needed, etc.

Prerequisite Course

A specific course that must be completed before advancing to the next course.

Check the online catalog at elac.edu for the latest and most accurate information.

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