

Music Major Transfer Planning Guide

The Clark College Music Department offers a two-year AA transfer program of music theory, instrumental and vocal performance, music appreciation and music history classes. The music transfer program curriculum is designed to prepare the Clark music student for advanced studies at a four-year institution, and also provides stimulating and informative general Humanities electives for non-music majors.

Advantages of the Clark College AA Music Transfer Program

The Clark College Music Department's rigorous music theory and ear-training curriculum has a proven track record and many of our students have successfully tested out of these requirements at four-year music programs throughout the nation. In addition to two years of music theory and ear training classes and performing in our internationally acclaimed ensembles, the Clark College applied music program provides transferrable credit for lessons as required by most four-year institutions. For students planning to complete their BS or BA degrees, Clark is also an economical way to fulfill their general requirement courses before transferring.

At the heart of the Clark College Music Department are our award winning music ensembles, and as a member of our ensembles, another benefit for choosing Clark is the opportunity to travel. Funded by the generosity of the Associated Students of Clark College, our groups have traveled and drawn critical acclaim in cities such as Washington DC, San Francisco, New York, as well as internationally in Mexico, China, and Korea. In addition to travel opportunities, the Music Department annually hosts the Clark College Choral Festival in November and the Clark College Jazz Festival every January providing the opportunity for Clark music students to learn organizational and management skills that cannot be taught in the classroom.

Clark College Music Required and Recommended Courses

Music Courses (required—2 years)

MUSC& 121, 122, 123—Ear Training I, II, III

MUSC& 141, 142, 143—Music Theory I, II, III

MUSC& 221, 222, 223—Ear Training IV, V, VI MUSC& 231, 232, 233—Music Theory IV, V, VI

Music Courses (required for four-year music transfer)

MUSC Applied Lessons in Major Instrument (6 quarters)

Ensemble Options (6 quarters)

MUSC 137-239—Chorale

MUSC 150-253—Orchestra

MUSC 153-255—Women's Choral Ensemble

MUSC 180-283—Concert Band

MUSC 183-295—Concert Choir

MUSC 195-297—Jazz Ensemble

Music Courses (recommended)

MUSC 101, 201 & 202—Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced Piano

Other Music Course Options

MUSC& 104—Music Appreciation

MUSC 106—Music in Early Childhood Ed

MUSC 116, 117, 118—Music History

MUSC 110 & 210—Beginning & Intermed Guitar

MUSC 125—Rock History

MUSC 135—Jazz Appreciation

Careers in the Field of Music

Career opportunities in the field of music include: music education, arts management, composition, music technology, music recording and production, conducting, and vocal or instrumental performance.

Transfer Requirements

Students who earn Clark College's Associate in Arts degree qualify to transfer to most Washington and some Portland area colleges and universities with junior standing.

To earn the Associate in Arts degree, students must complete a minimum of ninety (90) college-level credits in specified curriculum with a minimum cumulative college-level GPA of 2.00 or higher.

Note: Universities may require transfer students to take auditions and theory placement testing

NW Universities that accept Clark Music Credits:

Central Washington University
Eastern Washington University
Gonzaga University
Heritage University
Pacific Lutheran University
Seattle Pacific University
Seattle University
University of Washington
Walla Walla University
Washington State University
Western Washington University

Concordia University
Marylhurst University
Portland State University
Reed College
University of Portland
Western Oregon University
Willamette University

Lower Division Requirements

General Education

Communication Skills = 10 credits minimum Quantitative Skills = 5 credits Health and Physical Education = 3 credits

Distribution

Humanities courses = 15 credits Social Science courses = 15 credits Science courses = 15 credits

Electives

Distribution list courses = 12 credits Electives list courses = 15 credits

See Clark College Catalog for the specific course and degree criteria.

Additional Resources

The Clark College Catalog will help a student understand their choices by providing detailed information about all the programs offered. Elements of the Catalog include: General Education Requirements, Course Descriptions, Policies and Procedures, and Directories. View the catalog online at http://www.clark.edu/academics/catalog/2014/. IMPORTANT!!! Please consult both the catalog and an advisor at Clark AND at the desired transfer school to confirm exactly which courses are required prerequisites and which courses will fully transfer.

Advising ~ http://www.clark.edu/enroll/advising-services/index.php Career Center ~ http://www.clark.edu/campus-life/careers/career-center/index.php Compass Testing ~ http://www.clark.edu/enroll/admissions/assessment/index.php Funding ~ http://www.clark.edu/enroll/paying-for-college/finaid-process/index.php

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