

Associate in Arts with an Emphasis in Music

Allen's associate degree in Music prepares students for successful transfer to university study by providing a solid foundation in music studies. With a degree in Music, students' career goals may focus toward musicology, performance, radio, film, composition, research, or teaching.

The Associate in Arts with an emphasis in Music is a sequence of recommended Music and general education courses designed to meet most Music degree requirements for the first two years of study for Kansas Board of Regents universities, and for private university Music degrees in Kansas, so that students may transfer into the university at the junior level. Graduation with the associate degree in Music helps to assure that successful transition.

Scholarships are available. Allen offers Band Activity and Choir Activity scholarships. The scholarships cover tuition and textbook rental up to 18 credit hours per semester. Students must come in and maintain a 2.0 GPA to remain eligible. For qualified students, Allen offers the Presidential Band and Presidential Choir scholarships, which cover everything the activity scholarships cover in addition to student and technology fees. Students must come in and maintain a 3.75 GPA to remain eligible. A student can be any major, music or otherwise, and still receive these scholarships.

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ENSEMBLES

All ensembles open to all students, regardless of major.

Concert Band

The Concert Band performs a wide range of repertoire, ranging from classical to popular. The concert band allows solo opportunities for students and often collaborates with singers or the choirs at Allen. Concert Band rehearses three times a week for 55 minutes, and presents at least two concerts per semester.



Jazz Band

The Jazz Band focuses on more popular and jazz standards. Improvisation opportunities are available, as well as exposure to the great jazz classics. The Jazz Band rehearses twice a week for 85 minutes, and presents at least two concerts per semester, in addition to outreach performances at schools and care facilities.

Concert Choir

The Concert Choir performs a wide range of repertoire, ranging from classical to popular. The concert choir allows solo opportunities for students and focuses on group singing technique. Concert choir rehearses twice a week for 85 minutes, and presents at least two concerts per semester, in addition to various informal performances on and off campus.

Jazz Singers

The Jazz Singers perform popular and jazz music selections. This select ensemble focuses on more independent singing style within a smaller ensemble. The Jazz Singers rehearse twice a week for 85 minutes, and present at least two concerts per semester.



ALSO OFFERED:

Applied Lessons and Music Classes

Applied Lessons I, II, III, and IV

Applied Lessons are an opportunity to work one-on-one with a professional musician, focusing on your instrument or voice. Curriculum is tailored to each student's individual needs. Lessons may consist of warm-ups, etudes, repertoire, or any other pertinent exercises to help you develop as a musician. Lessons meet 30 minutes per week. However, the student is expected practice outside of the lesson time to hone their musical development. Lessons are available first to music majors and music scholarship recipients, and then to all students.

Fundamentals of Music

This course is a requirement for all music scholarship recipients and music majors, but is open to all students regardless of major. Music basics are the focus, including but not limited to: note and rhythm recognition, ear training exercises, scales, chords, and writing your own song. This course is also recommended for elementary education majors.

Music Appreciation

This is a general humanities course open to all students regardless of major. The focus will be the history of Western Music from the Middle-Ages to the 21st Century and how it relates to your life. This course is a guaranteed transfer course to any Kansas public postsecondary institution through the Kansas Board of Regents.

Music Theory I/Aural Skills I/Keyboard Harmony I

These three classes are to be taken concurrently and is intended for music majors. Music Theory I is a guaranteed transfer course to any Kansas public postsecondary institution through the Kansas Board of Regents. These courses go in depth into Music Theory, learning voice leading rules and Roman Numeral analysis. Aural Skills focuses on developing the musical ear, and Keyboard Harmony is a supplement to the other two courses.