

Degree: Associate in Fine Arts

Degree: Bachelor of Music

Major: Music

Major: Contemporary, Urban, and Popular Music

Credits completed at College of DuPage: 69

Credits at Columbia College Chicago: 59

Refine your skills in Columbia College Chicago's Music bachelor's degree program, which focuses on contemporary, urban, and popular music. You'll enroll in coursework designed to provide collaborative music-making experiences with students and faculty members. You'll also gain performance experience in ensembles that play a variety of styles and genres. Learn more at colum.edu/academics.

College of DuPage Courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago Equivalency
ENGLI 1101 Composition I	3	ENGLI 111 Writing and Rhetoric I
MUSIC 1101 Music Theory I	3	MUSC 110 Foundations of Music I
MUSIC 1107 Aural Skills I	1	
MUSIC 1171 Class Piano I	1	
MUSIC 1185 Applied Music I	2	
Music Ensemble Course (Jazz/Big Band preferred)	1	MUSC 174 Applied Music I
IAI Mathematics course	3	MUSC 180 Styles & Techniques Ensemble
Total Semester Credit Hours	14	Mathematics Course

College of DuPage Courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago Equivalency
ENGLI 1102 Composition II	3	ENGL 112 Writing and Rhetoric II
MUSIC 1102 Music Theory II	3	MUSC 111 Foundations of Music II
MUSIC 1108 Aural Skills II	1	
MUSIC 1172 Class Piano II	1	
MUSIC 1185 Applied Music II	2	
Music Ensemble Course (Jazz/Big Band preferred)	1	MUSC 175 Applied Music II
IAI Physical and Life Science course with Lab	4	MUSC 180 Styles & Techniques Ensemble
Total Semester Credit Hours	15	Science course with lab

College of DuPage Summer Courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago Equivalency
IAI Physical and Life Science course	3	Science course
MUSIC 2211 Recording Techniques I*	3	See MUSIC 2272 in the 4 th semester
MUSIC 1113 Survey of Music Business*	3	BUSE 135 Business of Music
Total Semester Credit Hours	9	

College of DuPage Courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago Equivalency
MUSIC 1185 Applied Music III	2	MUSC 271 Primary Lessons
MUSIC 2201 Music Theory III	3	See MUSIC 2272 in the 4 th semester
MUSIC 2207 Aural Skills III	1	
MUSIC 2271 Class Piano III	1	
Music Ensemble Course (Jazz/Big Band preferred)	1	
SPEECH 1100 Intro to Speech Fundamentals	3	MUSC 180 Styles & Techniques Ensemble
IAI Humanities course	3	Meets IAI Communication Requirement
IAI Social & Behavioral Sciences Course	3	Humanities course
Total Semester Credit Hours	17	Social Science Course

College of DuPage Courses	Credits	Columbia College Chicago Equivalency
MUSIC 1105 Music Literature	3	Humanities course
MUSIC 1185 Applied Music IV	2	MUSC 271 Primary Lessons
MUSIC 2202 Music Theory IV	3	With the above courses: MUSC 210 Foundations of Music III and MUSC 211 Foundations of Music IV and MUSC 223 Elements of Music Design
MUSIC 2208 Aural Skills IV	1	
MUSIC 2272 Class Piano IV	1	
Music Ensemble Course (Jazz/Big Band preferred)	1	MUSC 180 Styles & Techniques Ensemble
200-Level IAI Humanities course	3	200-Level Humanities course
Total Semester Credit Hours	14	

Total credit hours for completion of AFA Degree: 69 credit hours

COURSES TO BE COMPLETED AT COLUMBIA COLLEGE CHICAGO

5th Semester Courses

	Credits
MUSC 228 Digital Music Composition and Performance or MUSC 271 Primary Lessons	2
MUSC 280 or higher ensemble	1
MUSC 315 Contemporary Harmony and Rhythm	3
MUSC 325 Arranging and Orchestration	3
MUSC 361 Music, Time, and Place I	3
Social Science course	3

Total Semester Credit Hours 15

6th Semester Courses

	Credits
MUSC 280 or higher ensemble	1
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MUSC 3** Primary Lessons or Techniques Course	2
MUSC 327 Songwriting I or MUSC 335 Creative Improvisational Practice I	2
MUSC 350 Applied Music Production	3
MUSC 362 Music, Time, and Place II	3
MUSC 371 Primary Lessons	2

Total Semester Credit Hours 14

7th Semester Courses

	Credits
CCCX 3** Innovation and Impact course (Columbia Experience)	3
MUSC 363 Music Styles and Analysis	3
MUSC 4** Primary Lessons or Techniques Course	2
MUSC 461 Music History, Ethnography, and Analysis	3
MUSC 481 Recording and Performance Ensemble	1
MUSC 489 BMus Senior Music Seminar	1
Collegewide Elective	2

Total Semester Credit Hours 15

8th Semester Courses

	Credits
MUSC 425 Contemporary Arranging and Production	3
MUSC 450 Advanced Music Production	3
MUSC 475 Private Lessons: Senior Recital	2
MUSC 481 Recording and Performance Ensemble	1
Immersion or Business Course (from catalog list)	3
200-Level Social Science course	3

Total Semester Credit Hours 15

Completion of BMUS Degree: 128 credit hours

Artists in Residence

We bring professional musicians to Columbia College Chicago for week-long residencies every semester. You'll study with these artists and perform with them on stage. Through your interactions with them, you'll gain valuable experience and insight into possible career paths.

Some recent artists-in-residence include Grammy-winning, multi-instrumentalist Cory Henry, vibraphonist Stefon Harris, keyboardist Cassandra O'Neal, and saxophonist Donny McCaslin.

Alumni Success:

- **Jonathan McReynolds '11** is a Grammy-nominated and Dove Award-winning gospel vocalist and songwriter.
- **Alicia Walter '12** is a composer/songwriter and performer whose work was described as a "finely controlled art-pop explosion" by *Wired* magazine.
- **Sarah Marie Young '15** is a jazz singer-songwriter who won the Montreux Voice Competition judged by Quincy Jones. In 2017, she was featured with Postmodern Jukebox, and in 2018, appeared on Playing for Change's "Skin Deep" video with Buddy Guy.
- **Austin Deadman '17** is a drummer and pianist and is a subbing percussionist for the Chicago production of *Hamilton*.

To be considered for admission to the Bachelor of Music (BMus), all applicants following this guide are required to earn an overall 3.0 in their major courses at COD as well as apply for the fall semester by the deadline posted at colum.edu/bfa. Students applying after the posted deadline and/or do not have a cumulative 3.0 in major courses will be considered for the Music Bachelor of Arts (BA) and should work with their department to discuss BMus eligibility. Contact transfer@colum.edu with any questions.

Columbia College Chicago participates in the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI). Students who complete the AFA degree prior to transferring to Columbia College Chicago have the choice of completing the IAI General Education Core Curriculum (GECC) at Columbia or the Columbia Core Curriculum. Students will work with their Columbia advisor on the best course of action. Additionally, all degree-seeking Columbia students are required to complete 9 credit hours of 200-level (or higher) coursework, Columbia Experience courses as indicated, as well as at least 6 credit hours of courses with a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) designation to meet graduation requirements.

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