

# MUSIC

## School of Arts, Communication, Design, and Media

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## General Description

At Southwestern College, Music is a comprehensive and multi-faceted discipline where students can explore the varied fields of music that interest them. Music theory provides students with an opportunity to study the fundamentals of music in the Western tradition. This includes notation, melody, harmony, rhythm and form. Music performance allows students to develop their technical and expressive skills as a vocalist or instrumentalist in ensembles that include choir, symphony orchestra, band, jazz/vocal jazz, mariachi and gospel. In music appreciation, students can learn history and develop critical listening skills in Western classical music, global music, as well as jazz, rock and pop.

## Career Options

Below is a sample of the career options available for the music major. A few of the these require an associate in arts degree, most require a bachelor's degree, and some require a graduate-level degree: soloist, conductor, composer, private music teacher, high school or college instructor, music librarian, recording technician, band performer, backup artist, music critic, church music director, administrator, studio performer, record/CD producer, accompanist, arranger, copyist, publisher, and music therapist.

Degree/Certificate Options	Major Code
<b>Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT)</b>	
Music (SB 1440) ( <a href="http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-transfer-aa/">http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-transfer-aa/</a> )	01245
<b>Associate in Arts Degree: Transfer Preparation</b>	
Music ( <a href="http://catalog.swccd.edu/">http://catalog.swccd.edu/</a> ) ( <a href="http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-aa/">http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-aa/</a> )	01240
Music—Mariachi Specialization ( <a href="http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-mariachi-specialization-aa/">http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-mariachi-specialization-aa/</a> )	02542
<b>Certificate of Achievement</b>	
Basic Musicianship ( <a href="http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/basic-musicianship-certificate/">http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/basic-musicianship-certificate/</a> )	02544
<b>Certificate of Proficiency</b>	

Music - Mariachi Specialization 02543  
[\(http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-mariachi-specialization-certificate/\)](http://catalog.swccd.edu/associate-degree-certificate-programs/music/music-mariachi-specialization-certificate/)

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary to achieve your academic goal.

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