



Music-Entrepreneurial Arts: Independent Music Instructor Certificate of Achievement

This certificate provides real-world tools for the aspiring music teacher to earn a living as a thriving and successful independent music instructor.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM COURSE SCHEDULE

SEMESTER 1

8-9 UNITS

Course	Units	Pre-Reqs [^]	Semesters offered*	GE Area
MUFHL 400 Music Theory & Musicianship I	4	Co-req: MUIVI 340	F	CSU Area C1; IGETC Area 3A
Or MUFHL 404 Music Theory II	3	MUFHL 400; Co-req: MUIVI 341	S	None
Or MUFHL 412 Music Theory III	3	MUFHL 404	S	None
Or MUFHL 414 Music Theory IV	3	MUFHL 412	S	None
MUIVI 340** Beginning Piano	2	None	F, S, Su	CSU Area C1
MUIVI 410 Applied Music Auditions take place the first week of classes to enter MUIVI 410.	1	Co-req: MUFHL 400, 404, 412 or 414; & MUP 310, 312, 330, 335, 357, 358, 360, or 362	F, S	
MUP 310 Orchestra or	2	Be able to read music and perform on orchestral /jazz/concert band instrument Students will be admitted to these courses by audition only. Audition times/dates will be announced by the department.	F, S	CSU Area C1
MUP 330 Concert Band or			F, S	None
MUP 357 College Chorus or			F, S	CRC Area I; CSU Area C1
MUP 360 Chamber Chorus or			F, S	CRC Area I; CSU Area C1
MUP 321 Adv Jazz Band		MUP 321- Pre-req: MUP 320	??	None

“Private music teachers instruct individual students. Some work in their home or at a studio where students come for lessons; others travel to their students’ homes. Usually, these teachers specialize in an instrument or skill that they themselves have mastered, such as piano or voice. For each student, private music teachers create lessons based on that student’s ability. They may also hold recitals where students perform music they have learned.”

<https://www.bls.gov/careeroutlook/2015/article/careers-for-music-lovers.htm>

Career Options/Outlook: Teach or instruct courses other than those that normally lead to an occupational objective or degree. Courses may include self-improvement, nonvocational, and nonacademic subjects. Teaching may or may not take place in a traditional educational institution.

A sample of reported job titles:
Music teacher, piano teacher

Projected job opening in California (2016-2026) for “self-enrichment education teacher”:
4,680

Projected growth:
Much faster than average (15% or higher)

Salary in California:
Median wage (2018): \$43,060/yr
Source:
<https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/25-3021.00>

[^]You must have passed the prerequisite course(s) with a “C” or better; Corequisite must be taken during the same semester; Advisory means it is recommended but not required to enroll in the course.

*(O) = online available (H) = hybrid available

***Course may be challenged based on ability

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SEMESTER 2

10-13 UNITS

Course	Units	Pre-Reqs [^]	Semesters offered*	GE Area
MUFHL 300 Intro to Music	3	None	F, S	CRC Area I; CSU Area C1; IGETC Area 3A
MUSM 370 Music for Children	3	None	F, S	CRC Area I; CSU Area C1
BUS 215 Entrepreneurial Opportunity & Business Planning	3	None	F, S	
MUSM 498 Work Experience in Music Specializations	1-4	None	F(O), S(O), Su(O)	CRC Area III(g)

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Honors option:

The CRC Honors Program is designed specifically for academically accomplished students and for students with the potential for high achievement. Students who complete 15 units or more in honors-designated courses will earn special recognition as an Honors Scholar, a distinction that may entitle the student to guaranteed transfer and scholarship opportunities at select transfer colleges and universities.

Transfer notes:

Please meet with a counselor for specific transfer course evaluation or transferring to a specific 4-year institution.

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