

# 26-27 A.A. Commercial Music Degree (MCOM)



## ABOUT THIS MAJOR

The Associate in Arts in Commercial Music is designed to prepare students for careers to perform as instrumentalists and vocalists, to write music (career as a songwriter), record music (career as a producer/sound engineer/audio engineer), develop skills to become an artist agent, to develop an appreciation of various contemporary music styles, and to understand the latest developments in the ever-changing music industry. For more information, visit the [Arts & Humanities](#) division.

### TO EARN A DEGREE A STUDENT MUST COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

- [1] Completion of a minimum of 60-semester units or 90 quarter units of degree applicable courses
- [2] A minimum of 18-semester units in a major
- [3] Completion of 21 units AVC General Education Requirements
- [4] Minimum overall grade point average of 2.0
- [5] A "C" or better in all courses required for the major

### AA - Commercial Music (MCOM)

[Total Units Required in the major 26]

| Required MUSC HIST Courses, choose one (total 3 units)        |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---|
| MUSC102 - History of Jazz                                     | 3 |
| MUSC103 - History of Rock 'n Roll                             | 3 |
| MUSC107 - History of Women in Rock Music                      | 3 |
| MUSC108 - History of Hip Hop                                  | 3 |
| MUSC109 - The History of Motown Music                         | 3 |
| Required Courses, complete all the following (total 19 units) |   |
| MUS120 - Music Theory I                                       | 3 |
| *Co-requisite: MUS 153A                                       |   |
| MUSC100 - Introduction to Music Technology                    | 3 |
| MUSC104 - The Music Industry                                  | 3 |
| MUSC113 - Songwriting                                         | 3 |
| Prerequisite: MUS 120                                         |   |
| MUSC134 - Music Production I                                  | 3 |
| Prerequisite: MUSC 100                                        |   |
| MUSC141 - Concert Management                                  | 2 |
| MUSC143A - Live Sound I                                       | 2 |
| Prerequisite: MUSC 100.                                       |   |

| Program Electives, complete a total of 4 units from the following:                                           |     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| FTV241 - Beginning Audio Production                                                                          | 3   |
| MUS291D - Private Lessons: Popular Music, Composition, Non-Transfer                                          | 0.5 |
| Corequisite: Concurrent enrollment in MUS 292 and MUS 181                                                    |     |
| MUSC124A - Jazz Improvisation                                                                                | 1   |
| Limitations on Enrollment: Audition required enroll in the course and audition information will be delivered |     |
| MUSC136 - Media Scoring                                                                                      | 3   |
| Prerequisite: MUS 120                                                                                        |     |
| MUSC142 - Musical Theatre Workshop                                                                           | 1   |
| Limitations on Enrollment: Audition required enroll in the course and audition information will be delivered |     |
| MUSC150C - Music Notation & Composition: Sibelius Fundamentals                                               | 3   |
| Prerequisite: MUS 120 and MUS 131                                                                            |     |
| MUSC173 - Jazz Ensemble B (Beginning)                                                                        | 1   |
| Limitations on Enrollment: Audition required enroll in the course and audition information will be delivered |     |
| MUSC199 - Work Experience Education                                                                          | 1-3 |
| MUSC220A - Popular Music Ensemble (Test Flight)                                                              | 2   |
| Limitations on Enrollment: Audition required enroll in the course and audition information will be delivered |     |
| MUSC233 - Music Production II                                                                                | 3   |
| Prerequisite: Completion of MUSC 134.                                                                        |     |
| MUSC273 - Jazz Ensemble A (Advanced)                                                                         | 1   |
| Limitations on Enrollment: Audition required enroll in the course and audition information will be delivered |     |

## RECOMMENDED PATHWAY

### Associate of Arts in Commercial Music

The Recommended Plan of Study is determined by the discipline faculty. Take classes in **Summer** or **Intersession** if needed to complete your degree in a timely manner!

Fall/Spring: Max 19 units | Summer: Max 9 units | Intersession: Max 6 units

**\*\* FALL ONLY: MUS 120, 153A, MUSC 143A | SPRING ONLY: MUSC141A\*\***

| FALL SEMESTER                               |             |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Course                                      | Units       |
| MUS 120                                     | 3           |
| MUS 153A                                    | 1           |
| MUSC 100                                    | 3           |
| Program Elective: MUS 291D (rec.)           | 0.5         |
| MUSC 220A                                   | 2           |
| AVC GE Area 1A: Eng/C1000                   | 4           |
| AVC GE Area 1B: Oral Comm. & Critical Think | 3           |
| <b>Total Units</b>                          | <b>16.5</b> |

| SPRING SEMESTER                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Course                            | Units       |
| MUSC 104                          | 3           |
| MUSC 134                          | 3           |
| MUSC 141                          | 2           |
| Program Elective: MUS291D         | 0.5         |
| AVC GE Area 6: Ethnic Studies     | 3           |
| AVC GE Area 2: MATH & QUANT. RSG. | 3           |
| General Elective                  | 1           |
| <b>Total Units</b>                | <b>15.5</b> |

| FALL SEMESTER                    |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Course                           | Units       |
| MUSC143A                         | 2           |
| PROGRAM ELECTIVE: MUS 291D(rec.) | 0.5         |
| AVC GE AREA 5: NATURAL SCIENCES  | 3           |
| GENERAL ELECTIVE                 | 3           |
| GENERAL ELECTIVE                 | 3           |
| GENERAL ELECTIVE                 | 3           |
| <b>Total Units</b>               | <b>14.5</b> |

| SPRING SEMESTER                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Course                               | Units       |
| MUSC113                              | 3           |
| MUSC 102 or 103 or 107 or 108 or 109 | 3           |
| GENERAL ELECTIVE: MUS 291D (rec.)    | 0.5         |
| AVC GE AREA 4: SOCIAL & BEHAV.       | 2           |
| AVC GE AREA 3: ARTS & HUMANITIES     | 3           |
| General Elective                     | 1           |
| <b>Total Units</b>                   | <b>13.5</b> |
| <b>TOTAL DEGREE UNITS</b>            | <b>60</b>   |

# 2026-2027 AVC General Education Requirements

Advising Form Effective Fall 2026 - Summer 2027

| GE AREA                                                                                                                                                                 | COMPLETED | IN PROGRESS | NEED |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                                                                                                                                         |           |             |      | <p>The requirements for an AA or AS degree include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A minimum of 60 semester units; with at least 12 semester units completed in residence at AVC for an AA/AS degree (credit earned by examination will not be included in these 12 units); maximum of 12 pass/no-pass credit units can be accepted towards an AA/AS degree.</li> <li>2. Refer to each individual program for major requirements. All major courses as specified in the AVC catalog <u>must</u> be completed with a grade of "C" or better.</li> <li>3. An overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C" average) is required.</li> </ol> <p><b>Double counting:</b> While a course may satisfy more than one general education requirement, it may not be counted more than once for these purposes. A course may be used to satisfy both a general education requirement and a major or area of emphasis requirement.</p> <p><b>Prerequisite:</b> If a course is listed as a prerequisite for another course, that prerequisite course must be completed with a satisfactory grade in order to enroll in the next course. A satisfactory grade is a grade of "A," "B," "C" or "P". Students who enroll in classes for which they do not meet the prerequisites will be involuntarily dropped. Students will be notified of this involuntary drop.</p> <p><b>Complete at least 3 semester units from each of the following areas below: 1A, 1B, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. Completion of 1a requires a minimum a grade of "C" or "P". Minimum Total GE Units Required 21 semester units or 28-31.5 quarter units.</b></p> |
| <b>AREA 1: ENGLISH COMPOSITION, ORAL COMMUNICATION, AND CRITICAL THINKING</b><br>2 courses required, one from Area A and one from Area B, 6 semester or 8 quarter units |           |             |      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 1A                                                                                                                                                                      |           |             |      | Group A: English Composition: ENGL C1000, ENGL C1000H                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1B                                                                                                                                                                      |           |             |      | Group B: Oral Communication and Critical Thinking: COMM C1000, C1000H; ENGL C1001, C1001H, <b>C1002, C1002H</b> ; PHIL 201                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>AREA 2: Mathematical Concepts and Quantitative Reasoning</b><br>1 course, 3 semester or 4 quarter units                                                              |           |             |      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 2                                                                                                                                                                       |           |             |      | MATH 103, 110, 116, 124, 128, 140, 148, <b>149</b> , 150, 150H, 160, 220, 230, 250; STAT C1000, C1000H                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>AREA 3: ARTS AND HUMANITIES</b><br>1 courses, 3 semester units or 4 quarter units                                                                                    |           |             |      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 3                                                                                                                                                                       |           |             |      | ART 100, 103, 104, 106, 113, 132, 135, 137, 140, 145, 163, 170, 213; <b>ARTH C1100, C1100H, C1200, C1200H</b> ; CHIN 101, 102, 201, 202; DFST 101, 102, 201, 202; COMM 112, 114, 217, 219; DA 101, 113; ENGL 114, 221, 222, 225, 227, 230, 231, 235, 242, 253, 253H, 256, 257, 259, 265, 279, <b>C1002, C1002H</b> ; FREN 101, 102, 201, 202, 203; FTV 101, 107, 108, 201, 203, 251, <b>261</b> ; GER 101, 102, 201, 202; HIST 104, 105, 110, 110H, 111, 111H, 113, 115, 119, <b>C1001, C1001H, C1002, C1002H</b> ; LATN 101, 102, 201; MUS 101, 101H, 105, 106, 110, 111, 120, 151; MUSC 102, 103, 107, 108, 109; PHIL 105, 105H, 106, 108, 109, <b>230, 240</b> ; NF 150; PHOT 107; PHTC 101, 150, 201; SPAN 101, 102, 110SS, 201, 202, 203, 210SS, 220SS; THA 101, 101H, 102, 103, 104, 106, 110, 111, 130, 225, 239, 239H, 240                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>AREA 4: SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCE</b><br>1 course, 3 semester units or 4 quarter units                                                                           |           |             |      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 4                                                                                                                                                                       |           |             |      | AJ 206; ANTH 102, 103, 110, 112, 112H, 140; BUS 212; CFE 102, 103; DFST 105, 106, 110; ECON 100, 110, <b>C2001, C2001H, C2002, C2002H</b> ; GEOG 105, 106, 110; HIST 104, 105, 110, 110H, 111, 111H, 113, 114, 116, 118, 119, <b>C1001, C1001H, C1002, C1002H</b> ; POLS 103, 200, 201, 202, 203, C1000, C1000H; PSY 200, 201, 212, 230, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236; PSYC C1000, C1000H; SOC 105, 110, 111, 112, 115, 116, 120, 200; <b>SOCI C1000, C1000H</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>AREA 5: NATURAL SCIENCES</b><br>1 course, 3 semester units or 4 quarter units                                                                                        |           |             |      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 5                                                                                                                                                                       |           |             |      | ANTH 101, 101H; ASTR <b>C1001, C1001H</b> ; BIOL 100, <b>C1001#</b> , 102, 103, 104, 104H, 110, 120, 201, 202, 204, 205; CHEM 101, 102, 110, 120, 210, 220; ELTE 101; ERSC 101; GEOG 101, 102; GEOL 101, 101H, 102; PHYS 101, 102, 110, 120, 211; PSCI 101<br><b># Students must register separately for the required lab component of BIOL 101L</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>AREA 6: ETHNIC STUDIES</b><br>1 course, 3 semester units or 4 quarter units                                                                                          |           |             |      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6                                                                                                                                                                       |           |             |      | ETHN 101, 102, 110, 111, 112, 113, <b>114</b> ; ENGL 257 or ETHN 257EN                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

## COUNSELING NOTE SECTION

**Prerequisite:** If a course is listed as a prerequisite for another course, that prerequisite course must be completed with a satisfactory grade to enroll in the next course. A satisfactory grade is a grade of "A," "B," "C" or "P". Students who enroll in classes for which they do not meet the prerequisites will be involuntarily dropped. Students will be notified of this involuntary drop. Title 5, Section 55200(d)

### Application for Graduation:

Antelope Valley College awards degrees three times annually following the Fall, Spring, and summer semesters. Students must apply for graduation to earn their degree or certificate. **Applications are due by September 6 for spring/summer graduates and by February 14 for fall graduates.**

AVC 26-27 CATALOG: [ACADEMIC POLICIES](#)

### INFORMATION and RESOURCES

Tutoring Assistance  
Transfer Center  
Basic Needs

Career Center  
Office of Students with Disabilities  
Financial Aid

AVC Student Health Services  
Palmdale Center  
Counseling Division