

PCC Music Program

Memorandum

To: PCC Academic Advising
From: Music Program
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Re: Music Major and Minor Requirements

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Academic Advising,

Advising for students who plan to major or minor in music has been unclear for some time. This is due to the complexity and variety of different undergraduate degrees available in music. Our main transfer institution PSU, adds another layer of difficulty with their freshman and sophomore inquiry courses.

The following information is intended to clarify advising for students who plan to transfer to PSU as music majors or minors. It has been created as a result of our program review, in consultation with the PSU music department.

- PSU bound students who plan to major or minor in music are no longer advised to pursue an associates transfer degree.
- ALL PSU music transfer students (regardless of music major or minor or the specific degree) need to complete the following **PCC courses**:

YEAR ONE (assuming all prerequisites have been met)

- MUS111 and 111C, 112 and 112c, 113 and 113c
- MUS191p, 192p, 193p
- Three terms of: MUS220 (vocalists) or MUS195 (instrumentalists)
- Three terms of MUP private lessons (*students must contact music program to register*)
- 15 credits of any lower division courses. We usually recommend writing and public speaking - PSU will accept any LD courses in place of freshman inquiry. In some cases prerequisites may fulfill some of these credits.

Additional Year One Requirements for Specific Degrees:

Bachelor of Music in Performance: MUS158

Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance: MUS221 and two terms of Italian, French or German, or demonstrated proficiency.

Bachelor of Music in Composition: Composition MUS240, 241, 242 (courses do not currently exist at PCC)

Bachelor of Music in Jazz Studies (for instrumentalists only) : MUS158 and Jazz History MUS271, 272, 273 (courses do not currently exist at PCC)

Additional Info on PSU requirements: <http://www.pdx.edu/music/degrees-offered>

Students who plan to transfer to a different institution are advised to consult the specific requirements of the intended transfer institution.