Algoma University Music Program

The Music Minor

Algoma University’s rich Music Program offers the possibility to earn a Minor in Music. A Music minor consists of 18 Music credits. Students have the freedom to create a unique Music minor in-line with individual musical interests. Psychology (Music Therapy), Computer Science (video game design), and Visual Art (strong connections between Visual Art and Music) students have found great value and utility in the music minor. Students intent on pursuing a career in teaching have found the Music minor to be a valuable, enjoyable second teachable. The possible Music minor tracks outlined below may serve to spark the imagination:

Technology Track

- Introduction to Audio Arts - MUSC 2506 (3 credits)
- Introduction to the History of Music in Video Games - MUSC 2507 (3 credits)
- Introduction to Music Composition - MUSC 2106 - (3 credits)
- Algoma University Jazz Ensemble OR Algoma University Choir OR Algoma University Theater Ensemble OR Sault Symphony Orchestra - (3 credits)
- Introduction to Music - MUSC 1101 (3 credits)
- Introduction to Music - MUSC 1102 (3 credits)

Individualized Instruction (“Performance”) Track (weekly private lessons on student’s chosen instrument)

- MUSC 1451 (3 credits in fall); MUSC 1452 (3 credits winter) - Music for Non-Concentration Students (total 6 credits)
- MUSC 2451 (3 credits in fall); MUSC 2452 (3 credits winter) - Music for Non-Concentration Students (total 6 credits)
- MUSC 3451 (3 credits in fall); MUSC 3452 (3 credits winter) - Music for Non-Concentration Students (total 6 credits)

Theory Track

- Introduction to Music 1 - MUSC 1101 (3 credits)
- Introduction to Music II - MUSC 1102 (3 credits)
- Materials of Music I - MUSC 1115 (6 credits)
- Materials of Music II - MUSC 2115 (6 credits) OR Introduction to Music Composition - MUSC 2106 (3 credits) and the History of Music in Video Games MUSC 2507 (3 credits)

History Track

Introduction to the History of Western Music; MUSC 1015 (6 credits)
Music as Culture I - World Music; MUSC 2066 (3 credits)
Music as Culture II - Native Music; MUSC 2067 (3 credits)
Music in Popular Culture I - The History of Jazz, Blues, and the Musical; MUSC 2056 (3 credits)
Music in Popular Culture II - The History of Rock ‘N’ Roll; MUSC 2057 (3 credits)

Students need not follow the above tracks, as one may choose from more than 54 credits Music courses offered each and every year. For more information on pursuing and earning a Music Minor, please contact Dr. Edward Turgeon, Chair of Music and Visual Art, at 705-989-6879, or via email at: edward.turgeon@algomau.ca