

EQUIVALENCY PROGRAM IN MUSIC THERAPY: Curricular Requirements

The equivalency program consists of a set of courses that student with a baccalaureate degree other than music therapy (such as music performance, music education) are required to take beyond their undergraduate course work (as verified on their college transcripts) in order to qualify for professional certification as a music therapist. This checklist provides a **general** guide for those courses that are required. If a student's transcript verifies successful completion of an equivalent course at an accredited college or university (such as Abnormal Psychology), that course can fulfill the requirement for completion of the equivalency program. **Dr. Gfeller or Dr. Adamek will develop a curricular plan of courses for each individual equivalency student based upon examination of the transcripts.**

[Note: A description of the course content for these classes can be found in the University of Iowa Catalog. Check the University of Iowa website, <http://www.registrar.uiowa.edu/registrar/catalog/> for additional information.]

Requirements for Students with an Undergraduate Degree in Music (not music therapy)

- Select one course in the visual or theatre arts from this list.** (3 s.h.)
 - 1H:001 Art and Visual Culture
 - 1B:001:SCA Elements of Art
 - 1A:003 Basic Drawing
 - 49:001 Art of the Theatre
 - 49:020 Basic Acting
 - 49:021 Basic Acting II
 - 49:103 Voice/Speech/Text—Speaking in Public
 - 49:101 Drama in the Classroom
 - 49:109 Introduction to Arts Management
- 25:167 Movement for Performers (2 s.h.)
- 27:053 Human Anatomy (3 s.h.)
- 31:001 Elementary Psychology (3 s.h.)
 - OR
 - 31:003 or General Psychology (3 s.h.)
- 31:063 Abnormal Psychology for Allied Health Professions (3 s.h.)
 - OR
 - 31:163 Abnormal Psychology (3 s.h.)
- Select one course on child development or psychology from the following list.** (3 s.h.)
 - 31:014 Introduction to Child Development
 - 7P:106 Child Development
 - 7U:130 Exceptional Persons [or any course in child psychology or development]
- Select one psychology or sociology course from the following list.** (3 s.h.)
 - 31:012 Introduction to Brain and Behavior
 - 31:013 Introduction to Clinical Psychology
 - 31:015 Introduction to Social Psychology
 - 31:016 Introduction to Cognitive Psychology
 - 113:003 Introduction to the Study of Culture and Society
 - 113:014 Language, Culture, and Communication
 - [Note: other courses in psychology or sociology accepted with advisor permission]
- 25:117 Arranging for Band OR 25:148 Instrumentation OR 25:007 Garage Band (2 s.h.)

- 25:071-073 Group Instruction Piano I-III (3 s.h.) **
**Students can test out of this requirement by successful completion of a competency exam.
- 25:107 Techniques of Conducting (2 s.h.)
- 25:017 Secondary Performance, Voice (1 s.h.)
(*voice majors are exempt*)

[NOTE: Most of the courses not in the music therapy core can be fulfilled at another college or university (including distance or on-line learning, or community college enrollment) as long as the course content is equivalent (as demonstrated through the course catalogue or syllabus) and appears on a college transcript. This will be determined through analysis by your advisor or your transcripts and other documentation.

MUSIC THERAPY CORE REQUIREMENTS

- 25:087 Orientation to Music Therapy *Fall only* (2 s.h.)
- 25:091 Music Foundations in Therapy I (2 s.h.) *Fall only*
- 25:092 Music Foundations in Therapy II (2 s.h.) *Spring*
- +25:096 Music in Special Education (3 s.h.)
- +25:138 Music Therapy – Atypical Children (3 s.h.)
- +25:139 Music Therapy – Adult Clients (3 s.h.)
- 7S:144 Psychology of Music (2 s.h.)
- 7S:149 Introduction to Music Research (2 s.h.)
- 25:094 Practicum I (1 s.h.) (sec. 2)
- 25:094 Practicum II (2 s.h.) (sec. 1)
- 25:094 Practicum III (2 s.h.)
- 25:140 Internship (2 s.h.) ***

*** A six-month period of clinical training off-campus in an approved facility following completion of on-campus courses.

+ These three courses rotate over a 3-semester time period.

Additional Requirements for Students with Previous Degrees *not* in Music

[Note: Students with a prior degree other than music will require 50 semester hours of basic music courses (not including core courses in music therapy), with a specific course of music instruction determined by Dr. Gfeller or Adamek. The list below indicates those types of music courses that must be completed.]

- 2 years (4 semesters) of music theory
- 3 years (6 semesters) of college-level private lessons
- 3 years (6 semesters) of musical ensemble
- 1 year (2 semesters) of music history

Other specific courses (adding up to 50 s.h. of basic music courses) to be determined by advisor.