



**SCHOOL OF MUSIC,
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COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

**Masters Equivalency Degree in Music Therapy
Example Equivalency Program**

Note: Undergraduate and graduate courses are taken simultaneously. Four semesters of music theory, two semesters of music history and five semesters of applied instrumental or vocal study must be completed prior to entering the program. Additional course work may be required if prerequisite classes listed on the equivalency check sheet have not been fulfilled.

Music Therapy – 16 credits:

- MU 241 – Introduction to Music Therapy 3 cr.
- MU 250 – Music Therapy Practice 3 cr.
- MU 440 – Music Therapy Methods I 3 cr.
- MU 443 – Music Therapy Methods II 3 cr.
- MU 486 – Music Therapy Practicum (3 semesters) 3 cr.
- MU 487 – Internship 1 cr.

Music – 8 credits:

- MU 155 – Guitar class 2 cr.
- MU 157 – Voice class I 2 cr.
- MU 252D – Percussion Techniques 1 cr.
- MU 342 – Psychology of Music 3 cr.

Behavioral/Natural/Social Sciences – 10 credits:

- BMS 300 – Human Anatomy and Physiology 4 cr.
- PSY 320 – Abnormal Psychology 3 cr.
- STAT 201 – Statistics 3 cr.

M.M. in Music Therapy 30 – 35 credits

Note: Students can choose from a thesis or non-thesis track

- MU 543 – Research Methods in Music Therapy 3 cr.
- MU 544 – Music Therapy Methods III 3 cr.
- MU 545 – Composition for Music Therapy Practice 3 cr.
- MU 648 – Neuroscience/Music Foundations of Music Therapy 3 cr.
- BMS 545 – Neuroanatomy 5 cr.
- MU695G (non-thesis track) or MU 699 (thesis track) 3 cr.
- Music Electives 6 cr.
- Electives (BMS/EDCO/EDRM/PSY/NB/HDFS) 6 cr.

Following Completion of Core Coursework:

- Six-Month Music Therapy Internship 1-12 cr.
- MU 686 – Advanced Music Therapy Practicum 3 cr.



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Audition and Application Information**

The CSU Equivalency Program is competitive. We will review applications and make primary round decisions in late February/early March. We will make a second round of decisions in mid-April that will be based on availability. The due date for primary round consideration is **February 20**, however, we will consider applications until April 1 based on space availability.

Eligibility Requirements:

- *Undergraduate GPA must be 3.00 or higher
- *Successfully passing an audition (see requirements below)
- *All application materials and auditions must be received by due date
- *Admission is for fall semesters only
- *Note: Graduate Record Exam (GRE) is *not* required

Application Requirements:

1. Complete the online graduate application at:
<http://www.graduateschool.colostate.edu/prospective-students/apply/>
2. After submitting your online application and paying your application fee, begin submitting your supporting materials to complete your application. Required supporting materials include:
 - a. All official transcripts. Contact your previous institutions to request they submit official transcripts to Colorado State University (use institution code 4075).
 - b. Three letters of recommendation. These can be from any individuals you select and the letters should collectively speak to your musical ability, work ethic, interpersonal skills, leadership, and collaborative abilities.
 - c. Current resume
 - d. Statement of purpose and career goals for graduate study in music therapy at Colorado State University. Limit three pages.
 - e. Writing sample (Student's choice of material that shows writing skills. Limit 5 pages)
 - f. Video Audition. Please ensure that you are in the camera shot, with face and hands visible. Please do not use reverb, effects, or overdubbing. The video must contain:
 - i. Spoken statement of why you would like to attend Colorado State University for Music Therapy.
 - ii. Functional Musical Skills: You will need to accompany yourself on piano while singing four different selections from different genres not limited to American Folk, popular music, country music, world music, etc... You may also submit video playing the guitar while singing; however, this is not required.
 - iii. Primary Instrument: Please play ONE selection or excerpt on your primary instrument. Please limit excerpt to 5 minutes.

For documents that cannot be uploaded, submit paper copies directly to the Office of Admissions at:

Graduate Admissions

Colorado State University – Office of Admissions

1062 Campus Delivery

Fort Collins, CO 80523-1062

International Applicants:

International applicants must submit all of the application requirements listed above.

A TOEFL Score of at least 85 is required for study in music therapy. There no other department-specific items for international students.