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DEGREES OFFERED BY MSU DENVER at DIME

Bachelor of Arts in Music: Commercial Music Performance (Drums, Bass, Guitar, Vocals)

DIME is a music institute that is custom built for serious musicians who desire a long-term, professional career in commercial music. DIME and Metropolitan State University of Denver have a partnership that enables students to take MSU Denver courses at DIME. These programs are designed to build strong musical and academic foundations that allow students to seize opportunities for long and sustained careers in the music industry.

Students are able to pursue a Bachelor of Arts in Music in Commercial Music Performance, Commercial Songwriting, or Music Industry Studies. These are liberal arts degrees in which music and general studies content is integrated throughout all coursework. Students are exposed to a broad curriculum that includes studies in history, the arts and humanities, and the sciences. Music is integrated into general studies courses, and the liberal arts are integrated into music courses throughout the degree program.

1st Semester		Cr.	2nd Semester		Cr.
MUS 1910	Techniques and Improv. I	3	MUS 1920	Techniques and Improv. II	3
MUS 1858	Pre-Production	1	MUS 1858	Pre-Production	1
MUS 3840	Live Performance Workshop	1	MUS 3840	Live Performance Workshop	1
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0	MUS 161B	Class Piano I	1
MUS 1010	Essential Music Theory Skills	2	MUS 1110	Music Theory I	3
MUS 1000	Introduction to Music	3	MUS 1120	Music Theory Lab I	1
CAS 1010	Public Speaking	3	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
			MTH 1080	Math. Modes of Thought	3
			ENG 1010	Composing Arguments	3
Total		13	Total		16
3rd Semester		Cr.	4th Semester		Cr.
MUS 2840	Session Styles I	2	MUS 2842	Session Styles II	2
MUS 2910	Interm. Techniques and Improv. I	3	MUS 2920	Interm. Techniques & Improv. II	3
MUS 2850	Artist Inquiry I	3	MUS 2852	Artist Inquiry II	3
MUS 3810	Ensemble (Pop and Soul Choir)	1	MUS 3810	African Drum Ensemble	1
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
MUS 1130	Music Theory II	3	HIS 1220	American History since 1865	3
MUS 1140	Music Theory Lab II	1	ARTH1500	Art and Visual Literacy	3
ENG 1020	Research and Argument Writing	3			
Total		16	Total		15
5th Semester		Cr.	6th Semester		Cr.
MUS 3910	Adv. Techniques & Improv. I	3	MUS 3920	Adv. Techniques & Improv. II	3
MUS 1890	Domestic Music Market	3	MUS 3878	Group Recital	2
MUS 3050	Musics of the World	2	MUS 3020	Jazz Styles – America’s Music	3
MUS 3878	Group Recital	3	MUS 3810	Ensemble	1
MUS 3810	Ensemble	1	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0	THE 3213	Staging Cultures	3
NUT 2040	Introduction to Nutrition	3	JRN 1010	Intro to Journalism & Media	3
Total		15	Total		15

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7th Semester		Cr.	8th Semester		Cr.
MUS 4920	Personal Expression	3	MUS 4890	Senior Recital Performance	3
MUS 4910	Techniques Practicum	3	MUS 4899	Commercial Music Capstone	3
MUS 3850	Commercial Composition & Arranging	3	XXX XXXX	Elective	3
XXX XXXX	Elective	3	XXX XXXX	Elective	2
MUS 3810	Ensemble	1	MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0
MUS 0020	Recital Attendance	0	MKT 2010	Marketing Around the Globe	3
PHY 3620	Sound and Music	3			
Total		16	Total		14

Auditioning at DIME

All students are required to pass an audition to attend the MSU Denver at DIME program. As part of this audition, applicants will be interviewed about their previous experience and training. Additionally, they will be asked to perform two songs either to a backing track or self-accompanied on an instrument, and perform scales and exercises as prescribed by the assessor.

A complete list of audition requirements for each program is posted on our website. To schedule your audition, please call: **313-223-1600** or email: **info@dime-detroit.com**

Admission to MSU Denver

All students will be asked to formally apply and submit all necessary documents to Metropolitan State University of Denver through their online application portal. The online application is available at: **www.msudenver.edu/admissions/apply**

Transfer students are welcome to apply, but should be aware that the program is cohort based and requires a four-year commitment.

Tuition and Financial Aid

Students on the MSU Denver at DIME program have a fixed schedule and tuition rate of \$14,625 per year beginning in Fall 2018. Financial Aid and Scholarships are available, and students are encouraged to fill out a FAFSA by April 1st, and apply for scholarships no later than March 1st.

To fill out a FAFSA, visit **www.fafsa.ed.gov**

To apply for scholarships, visit: **www.msudenver.edu/financialaid/scholarships**

Additional Resources and Opportunities at DIME

DIME has become a center for performers, songwriters, and music entrepreneurs, and with that comes many opportunities for our growing student body. Our students receive several **performance opportunities** that include end-of-semester student showcases at our on-site music venue, **The Underground @ DIME**, as well as opportunities to perform at events in the Detroit area. Also, students are able to audition and perform alongside well-known musicians through our **masterclass program**.

MSU Denver at DIME Students can consult any instructor about various aspects of their developing musical careers through our **one-to-one system**, which includes a yearly **career action planning tutorial**. Each week, students have access to sessions that focus on subjects like networking, professional development, self-employment skills, and more.

Students have the opportunity to audition original material for DIME's annual student album, **DIME Sessions**, which is recorded and released through the school's affiliate record label, **Original 1265 Recordings**.