

Music, Diploma

One of the many defining features of a culture is its music. From the bagpipes of Scotland to the steel drums of the Caribbean, traditional song identifies a land and its people to the rest of the world. Alberta's musical heritage is comprised of influences borrowed from the various ancestral lands of its citizens.

Music is one of the largest and fastest-growing industries in North America. In today's world, musicians are required to be highly-trained, well- rounded, and versatile.

The following is a short list of opportunities in this field:

Performance: Solo, small and large ensembles (eg. bands, orchestras) music theatre accompanying, recording artist, studio musician, conductor.

Composition: Song writing, arranging, transcription, film scoring, computer- generated music.

Merchandising: Promotion/publicity, management, music sales, budgeting/ accounting, copyright.

Technology: Recording engineer, sound technician, equipment maintenance and set up, concert hall technical director.

Teaching: Private and group instruction in a home studio, private and group instruction in music academies, colleges, and universities.

What you can be with your Music Diploma:

Accompanist	Agent #5124	Arranger #5132	Arts Administrator #0511
Backstage Technicians	Choir Director #5132/Church Music Arranger	Composer #5132	Concert Hall Director
Conductor #5132	Copyist	Disc Jockey #5231	Event Coordinator #1226
Film Scorer/Composer/Arranger	Instrument Repairer #7445	Jingle Writer	Lyricist #5132
Music Critic #5123	Music Editor	Music Software Programmer #2174	Music Store Manager #0621
Music Teacher/Educator	Musician #5133	Performer #5132	Piano Tuner-Technician
Producer #0512, #5131	Radio Programming Manager #0512	Radio Station Manager #0512	Recording Technician #5225
Sales Representative #6421	Singer #5133	Songwriter #5132	Sound Recordist #5225
Sound Technician #5225	Staff Writer	Stage Manager #5226	Tour Coordinator

This career/job listing is only a sample of the possible career options; these are certainly not the only career/job options accessible with this degree/diploma. Some of the careers listed require further education.

For career information, enter the four digit number listed below in the Alberta Learning Information Services Website (www.alis.alberta.ca) or the National Occupational Classification Website (<http://www5.hrsdc.gc.ca/NOC/>).

RDC Career Services can help you explore your interests, identify your goals, discuss your career options and job search strategies and discover how to make the most of your education. Email or give us a call to connect with a career counsellor.

RDC Department Information: This program is not currently offered at Red Deer College.

With additional education, I could be a:

Media Director/Consultant	Recording/Sound Engineer #5225	Concert Promoter	Management Consultant #1122
Creative Arts Therapist #3144	Music Teacher #5133.3	Cultural Events Planner #1226	Academic Advisor #4143
Musicologist	Recreation Director #0513	Alumni Relations Officer	Composer/Songwriter #5132.2
Conductor #5132.1	Critic #5123	Orchestration/Arranger #5132.2	Singer #5133.2

Potential employers:

Advertising Companies	Bands	Choirs	Concert Halls
Conservatories	Dance Companies	Day Care Facilities	Educational Institutions
Film Production Companies	Hospitals	Instrument Manufacturers	Film Production Companies

Major Skills Obtained from a Music Diploma Program

Read and write music

- Ability to use various sound equipment
- Work well both independently and on a team
- Adaptability and flexibility
- Artistry, Creativity Detail-oriented
- Good stage presence/poise
- Improvisation
- Motivation
- Performance techniques
- Perseverance/dedication
- Physical stamina
- Research and organizational skills
- Resiliency
- Self-discipline
- Teaching abilities
- Verbal and written communication skills
- Versatility

Professional Associations and Sites of InterestAcoustical Society of America- <http://asa.aip.org>Alberta Music Industry Association- <http://www.amia.ca/cms>Alliance des chorales du Québec- www.chorale.qc.caAllied Crafts of the United States, Its Territories and Canada- www.iatse-intl.orgAmerican Federation of Musicians of the US and Canada- www.afm.orgAmerican Music Therapy Association- www.musictherapy.orgAssociation québécoise de l'industrie du disque, du spectacle, et de la vidéo- www.adisq.comCanadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences- www.carasonline.caCanadian Actors' Equity Association- www.caea.comCanadian Association for Music Therapy- www.musictherapy.caCanadian Association of Music Libraries (CAML) - www.yorku.ca/caml