

# MUSIC

Course Mode	Full-time
Location	Arts & Media Campus (AMC)
Duration	2 Years
Level	3



## Course Overview

Our two-year course is equivalent to 3 A-Levels and is worth up to 168 UCAS points (Triple Distinction\*) or 144 UCAS points (Triple Distinction). This course will give you the knowledge, underpinning skills and experience to help you succeed in creative and media-based industries and progress to higher-level study. All applicants must complete an instrumental or vocal audition for this course.

You should be actively interested in music performance and composition and be willing to work creatively as a team member. You will develop your performance skills both as a soloist and as part of an ensemble. You will learn to maximise your rehearsal experience and work to deadlines in a professional environment. Your instrumental/vocal technique will be improved through workshops, performances in our purpose-built venue and live showcase gigs at professional venues in and around Cumbria.

You will have the opportunity to develop your creative songwriting skills using traditional and modern practices, including collaborative projects and writing music to a brief. You will also work in our professionally equipped recording studio using industry-standard hardware and software, giving you the knowledge and confidence to progress towards a career in the music industry or further study.

During the course, you will study:

- Music Performance Techniques
- Solo and Ensemble Performance Studies
- Music Industry in Context
- Digital Music Production
- Recording Studio Practice
- Live Sound
- Contemporary Song Writing

- History of Popular Music
- Music Theory and Harmony

Throughout your course, you will also develop skills in professionalism, online presence, critical reflection and the overall application and presentation of yourself and your work. You will have the chance to meet current industry professionals through talks, workshops and residential field trips.

The Music Department has strong links with the Kendal Calling festival, where many of our students have secured exciting work placements. We also have excellent relations with the Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts, Spirit Studios in Manchester and the Royal Northern College of Music in Leeds. All of which run specialist music degree programmes that many of our students have gone on to study after finishing their courses at Kendal College.

Our curriculum is delivered by experienced lecturers currently active in the Music Industry as musicians, performers, songwriters or producers- offering you a unique insight into how the industry works on a practical and professional level- and how to get started on your careers.

The course is assessed through the completion of observed performances, a practical audio portfolio, and accompanying research and reflective evaluation. Studying Music at Kendal College will allow you to learn about a wide range of relevant subject areas relating specifically to the music industry.

## Entry Requirements

Five GCSE at grade 4 or above, including English & Maths or similar; or a level 2 (first) Diploma in Music at Merit or Distinction.

All applicants will also be required to audition for this course by instrumental or vocal performance.

## After your course

There are progression routes to degree-level courses in multiple areas, including BA Hons in Music Performance, Music Technology, Live Sound and Music Production. This course has also led our students to various degrees in other fields, including Multimedia Production, Theatre Technology and Event Management.

You will adopt many transferable skills along the way, allowing you to branch out into many different areas of employment and education.

## Fees

£2882.00

*The fee displayed is the course fee. Course fees are per year for full-time & degree-level courses, and per course for part-time courses.*

*There may be other costs associated with this course e.g. kit, equipment, books, trips etc. Financial support may be available to support you with these. See the [Student Money](#) pages for more information.*

# Courses Fees

The current full-time & degree-level fee information is related to the 2022/23 academic year.

## Entry Level, Level 1 & Level 2 Courses

You may qualify for financial support to cover the cost of a government-funded qualification if any of the below apply to you:

- Have an annual salary of less than £18,525
- Receive an eligible means-tested benefit e.g. JSA, ESA or Universal Credit
- Are aged 16-18 on 31/08/22 and are not studying at another school/college
- Are aged 19 or over on 31/08/22 and do not already have a Level 1, 2 or 3 qualification
- Have a household income under £35,000 and are in financial hardship

See the [Student Money](#) pages for more information.