# Associate of Arts in Music, Macon

Semester reporting: Spring Semester 2020 Academic Program Assessment

#### Program and Assessment Report Information

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In which college or school is this program	Arts and Letters
located?	
Program Type:	Undergraduate
For which program is this assessment being	Associate of Arts in Music
submitted?	
Reporting Cycle:	Annual Reporting Cycle
Which semester were the data collected and	Spring Semester 2020
analyzed?	
For which campus are these assessments being	Macon
submitted?	
Approximately how many students are in this	45
program at this location?	

SLO 1	
SLO 1: What is the first Student Learning	Students will be able to apply the essential
Outcome for this academic program? Student	practices of music theory
Learning Outcomes should be stated in	
measurable terms (i.e. students will be able	
to)	
SLO 1: What instrument (assessment type) was	analysis test
used to measure student's ability to	
demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome?	
(i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech,	
demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	
SLO 1: What target performance level would a	80% of students to receive 80% accuracy on
student need to achieve on the assessment	analysis test
instrument to demonstrate mastery of this	
learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will	
earn an average grade of 75% or better on)	
SLO 1: During this assessment cycle, what	86.66
percent of the students who participated in this	
assessment demonstrated mastery of this	
learning outcome? (this should be a number	
between 0-100)	
SLO 1: Evidence of changes based on an analysis	11. A student learning initiative was applied
of the results: What changes were implemented,	to this SLO for AY2020, within the music theory
if applicable, based on an analysis of the	course MUSC 2203. AY2019 data showed that
students' performance on this Student Learning	67% of students achieved mastery of the
Outcome? (Evidence of the improvement must	, material.
be kept and filed in the department or academic	The SLI applied for AY2020 was to utilize peer
unit including but not limited to: changes in	instruction to continue to support the struggling
exam questions, reading assignments, syllabi,	students, and also to deepen the mastery of the
course instruction materials or assignments.	more successful students. Students in the theory
Both old versions and new versions should be	course were assigned varied opportunities for
kept on file for 10 years. Major changes to	team work, with attempts to group students who
curriculum must go through the Academic	are attaining the material with students who
Affairs process.)	need additional guidance. The data show that
	this SLI was a success, with 86.66% of students
	achieving mastery on the assessment instrument,
	an increase of nearly 20%.
	The rubric for the assessment instrument shows
	that on the first criterion (writing a chromatic
	scale from D through C#) only 5/16 did this
	correctly and 11/16 received a 0 on this criterion.
	Per the instructor, this was a communication

problem, with 11/16 leaving off the first requested item. This did not hamper their ability to complete the remainder of the assessment, as the data show. This SLI proved to be very effective and peer tutoring will be continued in the course
the course.

SLO 2	
SLO 2: What is the second Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able to)	Students will be able to perform and interpret music competently as soloists on their major instrument.
SLO 2: What instrument (assessment type) was used to measure student's ability to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech, demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	instructor skill observation at 3rd semester applied music jury
SLO 2: What target performance level would a student need to achieve on the assessment instrument to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will earn an average grade of 75% or better on).	80% of students scoring 80% on the jury
SLO 2: During this assessment cycle, what percent of the students who participated in this assessment demonstrated mastery of this learning outcome? (this should be a number between 0-100)	100
SLO 2: Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What changes were implemented, if applicable, based on an analysis of the students' performance on this Student Learning Outcome? (Evidence of the improvement must be kept and filed in the department or academic	16. n/a for SLO 2. The SLI for AY2020 was applied to SLO 1

unit including but not limited to: changes in exam questions, reading assignments, syllabi, course instruction materials or assignments. Both old versions and new versions should be kept on file for 10 years. Major changes to curriculum must go through the Academic Affairs process. )	
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SLO 3	
SLO 3: What is the third Student Learning	The students will be able to perform and
Outcome for this academic program? Student	interpret music competently as members of an
Learning Outcomes should be stated in	ensemble
measurable terms (i.e. students will be able	
to)	
SLO 3: What instrument (assessment type) was	final performance
used to measure student's ability to	
demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome?	
(i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech,	
demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	
SLO 3: What target performance level would a	80% of students should receive 80%
student need to achieve on the assessment	
instrument to demonstrate mastery of this	
learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will	
earn an average grade of 75% or better on).	
CIO 2. During this group and such a subst	75
SLO 3: During this assessment cycle, what	75
percent of the students who participated in this	
assessment demonstrated mastery of this	
learning outcome? (this should be a number	
between 0-100)	
SLO 3: Evidence of changes based on an analysis	21. n/a for SLO 3. The SLI for AY2020 was
of the results: What changes were implemented,	applied to SLO 1. An SLI for SLO 3 will be applied
if applicable, based on an analysis of the	for AY2021. MGA students need to prepare music
students' performance on this Student Learning	for public presentation at a faster rate. For
Outcome? (Evidence of the improvement must	AY2021, students will perform publicly by mid-

be kept and filed in the department or academic	semester. This will include smaller groups,
unit including but not limited to: changes in	combos, chamber music, as well as fuller
exam questions, reading assignments, syllabi,	ensembles as is appropriate.
course instruction materials or assignments.	
Both old versions and new versions should be	
kept on file for 10 years. Major changes to	
curriculum must go through the Academic	
Affairs process. )	

SLO 4	
SLO 4: What is the fourth Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able to)	22. The AA in Music does not have a 4th SLO. All questions pertaining to SLO 4 are n/a
SLO 4: What instrument (assessment type) was used to measure student's ability to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech, demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	22. The AA in Music does not have a 4th SLO. All questions pertaining to SLO 4 are n/a
SLO 4: What target performance level would a student need to achieve on the assessment instrument to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will earn an average grade of 75% or better on	22. The AA in Music does not have a 4th SLO. All questions pertaining to SLO 4 are n/a
SLO 4: During this assessment cycle, what percent of the students who participated in this assessment demonstrated mastery of this learning outcome? (this should be a number between 0-100)	0
SLO 4: Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What changes were implemented, if applicable, based on an analysis of the students' performance on this Student Learning Outcome? (Evidence of the improvement must be kept and filed in the department or academic unit including but not limited to: changes in exam questions, reading assignments, syllabi, course instruction materials or assignments. Both old versions and new versions should be kept on file for 10 years. Major changes to curriculum must go through the Academic Affairs process. )	22. The AA in Music does not have a 4th SLO. All questions pertaining to SLO 4 are n/a

### Sampling

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#### **Open Box for Assessment Comments**

Open Text Box For Assessment Comments:	During the first two years, the majority of the
	coursework for the AA and the BA is identical and
	the students track through these first two years
	together. Therefore, most BA students also
	applying for the AA in Music upon graduation, in
	a sense, they are double majors. The AA program
	must remain supported as it provides an access
	pathway for students with minimal preparation
	during high school. It also serves IDS students,
	has served as a pathway to NMAC for some
	students, and serves as a transfer pathway.
	Additionally, it is the end goal for some students
	as they find it meets their career objectives.
If the COVID-19 pandemic impacted this	All applied lessons were successfully completed
assessment cycle, please provide specific details	using remote teaching. Faculty utilized different
below. (Also submit any COVID-19	remote platforms in an effort to achieve the best
correspondence from your accrediting body to	fidelity and synchronicity between instructor and
assessment@mga.edu when you submit this	student. The lack of synchronicity is a frustration
form with your Department name and program	for all professionals in the music field and COVID-
in the subject line.)	19 has exposed a void in the available tech. The
	faculty and students are to be commended for
	their successful close of the semester.
	In the performing ensembles, our typical
	assessment point is the concert at the end of the
	4th semester. This was altered significantly by
	COVID-19, as all end-of-semester concerts were
	canceled. Each of the groups did have a
	performance experience mid-semester, however.
	The band and percussion ensemble performed at
	a function for the MGA Foundation. The choir
	performed for Dr. Clark. The guitar ensemble
	performed for The 16-25 Collective. These were
	not subject to rubric grading, however. As an
	alternative culminating exercise, each of the
	ensemble students submitted a reflection essay
	to their instructor about the semester, focusing
	on what they learned by working together as a
	team. It was agreed that the final reflection piece

would count as a secondary assessment marker for the semester.