Overview
Advance your career as a music therapist with CSU’s nationally recognized online music therapy degree. Through your course of study, you will advance your practice using music therapy to address the physical, psychological, cognitive, and social needs of individuals. In this program, you will:

- Expand your background in neuroscience, music, and research.
- Learn to advance your work with individuals with neurological disease/disorders, neurodevelopmental disorders, and mental health needs.
- Integrate evidence-based practice in different settings including private practice, schools, medical centers, and hospice care.
- Earn your master’s online at your own pace while maintaining your employment. The program includes a one-time long weekend on campus (4 days in Fort Collins, Colorado in one summer session).

A neurological approach to music therapy
Develop your skills as a music therapist by focusing on neurological techniques that promote changes in cognitive, sensorimotor, speech and language, and psychosocial functioning. Develop your use of music therapy techniques to:

- Rehabilitate individuals with neurologic disease and disorders.
- Maintain functioning with older adults.
- Improve the communication, academic performance, and social skills of children with disabilities.
- Promote cognition and enhance memory.
- Facilitate motor development in children with disabilities.
- Improve treatment outcomes.

Curriculum
With this graduate degree, you will take a wide variety of courses in music therapy and related areas. This program includes 15 credits of required music therapy courses. The program also includes 15 (Plan A) – 17 (Plan B) credits of electives, allowing students to choose coursework that will best fit their professional and educational needs. Required courses are delivered online and all music therapy courses are designed for the working music therapy professional.

Delivery
Online and on campus

Credits
Plan A – 30 credits
Plan B – 32 credits

Tuition
$623.15 per credit
- Includes Student Services
- Fees assessed separately
- Financial aid is available; eligibility determined on an individual basis

Time frame
Can be completed in 2 years

Completion requirements
- Plan A – 30 credits are required
- Plan B – 32 credits are required
- A minimum of 24 credits must be earned at Colorado State University (up to six transfer credits accepted).
- Up to nine credits may be taken before formal admission to the degree program
- The degree is available with a thesis (Plan A) or a non-thesis (Plan B) option in which the student completes a final project and written exam.

More info
online.colostate.edu/degrees/music-therapy

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Application Deadline

Fall semester: July 1  
Spring semester: November 1

1 Review Admission Requirements
   - Bachelor’s degree in music therapy from a regionally accredited institution, or a bachelor’s degree and completion of a music therapy equivalency program. No exceptions allowed.
   - Board certification in music therapy (or international equivalent).

2 Prepare Application Materials
   - Current resume
   - Three letters of recommendation
   - Statement of purpose
   - Writing sample
   - Video audition

3 Complete Online Application
   Complete the online graduate application and pay the nonrefundable application processing fee (payable online). As soon as you have completed the required information, please submit your application. Your application will not be reviewed until it is complete and all required materials have been received.
   - Select “Music MM – Distance” when choosing the program of study.

4 Request Transcripts
   Request one official transcript of all collegiate work completed from every institution attended, whether or not you received a degree from those institutions. Transcripts from Colorado State University are not required. Official transcripts can either be mailed in or sent as e-transcripts.

   Send e-transcripts to: gradadmissions@colostate.edu

   Send paper copies to:
   Graduate Admissions
   Colorado State University – Office of Admissions
   1062 Campus Delivery
   Fort Collins, CO 80523-1062

Check Your Application Status

View your application status at any time to ensure your application checklist is complete or to check on updates. Once your complete application, including supporting materials, is received, the department admission committee will review your application and promptly notify you of their decision.

International Students

See website for test score and transcript requirements.