

# ignite excellence

## MUSIC (Year 7, 8, 9)

### APPLICATION PACKAGE

Ignite Excellence: Music is designed to extend and inspire gifted music students, fostering a deep love of music through engaging and meaningful experiences. As an Ignite Excellence program, offered to Year 7-9 students, this course creates a unique partnership between curriculum music (The Arts) and co-curricular music (Grace Academy), ensuring students receive a holistic and well-rounded musical education.

### PROGRAM COMPONENTS

#### Component 1: Curriculum Music (The Arts)

Students will develop strong foundational skills in music that align with the Australian Curriculum, focusing on Performance, Composition, and Musicology. Additionally, students will complete a Grade 2 AMEB (Australian Music Examinations Board) Theory exam by the end of Year 9, strengthening their theoretical knowledge and enhancing performance and composition skills.

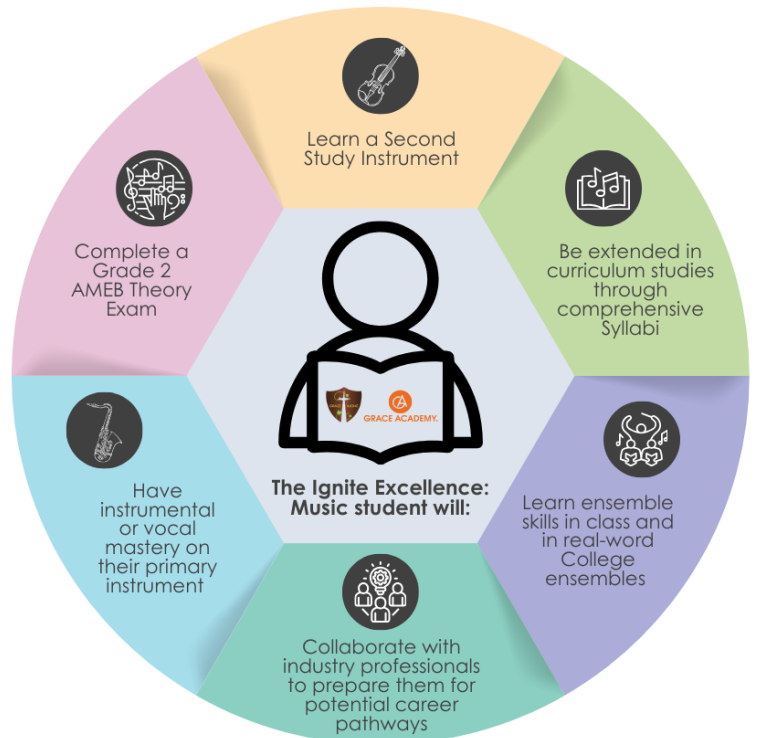
#### Component 2: Co-Curricular Music (Grace Academy)

Beyond the traditional classroom, students will further develop their practical skills through their involvement in Grace Academy's ensemble and tuition program. Students will:

- Develop Instrumental Mastery Skills – Students must be enrolled in instrumental or voice tuition on their primary instrument to develop technical proficiency.
- Learn a Second Study Instrument – During class time, students will expand their musical versatility and learn a second instrument (woodwind, brass, percussion or strings).
- Join a College Ensemble – Students will apply their musical learning in real-life College ensembles.

Over their three-year involvement in this course of study, students will have the opportunity to attend workshops that expand their curriculum content and foster collaboration with local industry professionals.

The program is open to instrumentalists and vocalists (including guitar and piano musicians).



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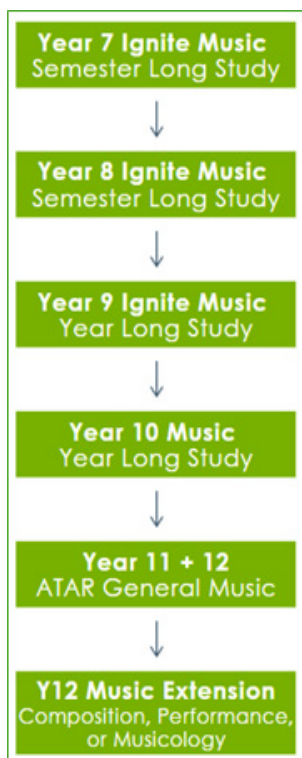
## COURSE OVERVIEW

**Year 7** – Students enter the Ignite Excellence Music program, select their second study instrument, and begin the program.

**Year 8** – Students continue their structured learning, developing their instrumental, ensemble, and theoretical skills.

**Year 9** – Students participate in an intensive, year-long course, further refining their musicianship and preparing for more advanced musical pursuits.

**Year 10 to Senior Years** – Students are encouraged to continue their musical journey by selecting Music/ Music Extension as a subject/s, and participate in secondary ensembles, College musicals, and Arts events.



## APPLICATION PROCESS

Entry into the program is audition-based. Auditions usually occur during Semester 2 of the year before students commence Year 7. Students must audition by performing two contrasting pieces of their own choice, demonstrating their technical ability, musical expression, and overall musicianship.

Acceptance into the Program (and ongoing participation) is dependent on the following criteria:

- Successful audition
- Commitment to the Program for 3 years (Year 7, 8, & 9). Students who are not enrolled in the program in Year 7 will have the opportunity to audition for entry into the program in Year 8.
- Commitment to weekly lessons on their main instrument/voice in the school program or from an approved, qualified instrumental/voice teacher.
- Commitment to a weekly college ensemble on their primary instrument.
- Attend Ignite Excellence Music workshops and participate in all activities.
- Follow the College's Ignite Excellence expectations.
- Payment of annual levy for the program.

For more information, or to apply, go to:  
[www.graceacademy.com.au](http://www.graceacademy.com.au)

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to speak with the Grace Academy Staff on 3203 0066.

