Accreditation: Berklee College of Music has been continuously accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (NECHE), formerly known as New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC), Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (CIHE), since 1973. Berklee College of Music was formerly named Schillinger House (1945–1953) and Berklee School of Music (1954–1969). Prior to merging with Berklee in June 2016, Boston Conservatory at Berklee was named The Boston Conservatory. The Boston Conservatory was separately accredited by NEASC from 1968 until the 2016 merger.

**Academic Calendar:** The Aspire: Five-Week Music Performance Intensive runs during the summer for five weeks only.

**Grading System:** The Aspire: Five-Week Music Performance Intensive uses a letter grade system to evaluate student performance. Marks for all courses make up a final report, which is sent to the student following completion of study. The letter grades are defined as follows:

- A = Honors shows definite career potential as evidenced by a superior performance in this class
- **B** = Has made above-average progress in this subject. Shows career potential and additional study in this area is encouraged.
- C = Overall progress is satisfactory. Has evidenced certain difficulties in this subject and needs to spend more time in certain areas (not unusual in music training). Career preparation would require concentrated effort.
- **D** = Progress has been generally unsatisfactory in comparison with others of similar background.
- **U** = Insufficient attendance for proper evaluation.
- **S** = Survey and elective class no evaluation.

**Final Grade Determination:** Final grades will be determined by considering the following components at the indicated weights:

Attendance	25% (No unexcused absences permitted)
Attitude/Participation	25%
Course work: (Homework, Tests, and Performances)	25%
Progress shown	25%

Aspire: Five-Week Music Performance Intensive students who receive a grade of B or higher in Theory in Performance, Musicianship, Private Instruction, and at least one section of Ensemble will receive credit for a 3-credit undergraduate level course, MUS-101 Fundamentals of Musicianship. If a student attends the Aspire: Five-Week Music Performance Intensive a second time and meets the same requirements, they will receive credit for MUS-201 Fundamentals of Musicianship/ Advanced. The credits will transfer to other colleges at their discretion. Qualifying students will receive a transcript in addition to this grading report.

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