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**At El Camino College Compton Center,
Music Technology's Got the Beat!**

If a career in the music industry is what you seek, El Camino College Compton Center is the place to be. The Music Technology program offers classes in music business studies, electronic music studios, songwriting, digital audio/recording using industry standard software, commercial keyboard and jazz performance band. Associate degrees and certificate programs are available.

Music technology program highlights include professional faculty who are in the entertainment industry, industry workshops and guest speakers, and opportunities for internships. Many students have gone on to successful careers, and some professionals in the music industry continue to take classes at Compton Center. Hector Galeano, who specializes in Spanish popular music, has released six albums. The lead saxophone player for the jazz performance band, Alford Jackson, was the music director for Ray Charles for over 20 years.

The director of Commercial Music Technology at Compton Center, Professor Harvey Estrada, has been teaching on the campus since 2000 and initiated the Music Industry Club. He is an alumnus of Compton High School, earned a Bachelor of Music degree in Performance from California State University Fullerton, and a master's degree in Commercial Music Composition from California State University Los Angeles. Professor Estrada is a composer, arranger, audio-engineer, bassist, pianist and has studied the music business and multimedia technology at University of California at Los Angeles. He has performed with such artists as Aaron Copeland, Stevie Wonder and Sarah Vaughn, and served as music director for the group, "Otis Day and the Knights." He also provides original compositions for TV, film and multimedia projects such as educational children's books and video games.

"The Music Technology program curriculum is intended to take students to their full potential whether it be as an artist, performer, songwriter, music publisher, audio-engineer or composer, and to familiarize them with the business of music as well," says Professor Estrada. For information about the music technology department, please contact Professor Harvey Estrada at 310-900-1600, ext. 2975.

El Camino College Compton Center is accredited and serving the educational needs of our community. Students can earn an associate degree, transfer to a four-year university or receive career training. Fees are only \$20 per unit. The college catalog, class schedule, evening and weekend college offerings are available in-person or online at [HYPERLINK "http://www.compton.edu" www.compton.edu](http://www.compton.edu). Compton Center is located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA; 310-900-1600.

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