

# NEW ENGLAND CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC

## 2022 INSTRUMENTAL/VOCAL LESSONS PROGRAM

Strings: violin, viola, cello, double bass  
 Woodwind: flute, clarinet, saxophone, oboe, bassoon  
 Piano, orchestral percussion  
 Vocal Lessons



NECOM provides outstanding instrumental and performance training to children (K-Year 12) and adults with qualified and experienced NECOM teachers. Enrolment includes invaluable extension activities and support such as subsidised instrument hire, ensemble and orchestral training, concerts, bursary assistance for families with multiple children enrolled in NECOM programs, workshops with guest musicians, masterclasses, orchestral workshops at the Sydney Opera House (through Dept of Education), and scholarships for gifted and talented students.

### INSTRUMENTAL/VOCAL LESSONS PROGRAM

The program is designed for the full year of lessons/activities and enrolment is assumed for the full year unless cancellation notice in writing is received 4 weeks before the start of each term. The program activities include:

- Nine individual 30, 45 or 60 minute lessons per term with a NECOM teacher at school or at the NECOM Campus
- 2-4 concerts each year to develop confidence, stage presentation and performance skills
- Semester reports from instrumental/Vocal teachers

### ENROLMENT FEES per TERM

The lesson time lengths (30, 45 or 60 minutes) are recommended to adequately cater to the student's level of commitment and practice, number of years learning, and standard of repertoire or exam grade that the student aims to achieve in 2022 eg HSC, AMEB, Trinity.

30 minute Lessons: 9 x 30 minute lessons each term (beginner to performing repertoire equivalent to Preliminary-Grade 2)  
 45 minute Lessons: 9 x 45 minute lessons each term (performing repertoire equivalent to Grades 3-5)  
 60 minute Lessons: 9 x 60 minutes lessons each term (performing repertoire equivalent to Grade 6 above)

2022 Instrumental/Vocal Program	Fee/Tm	Options
30 minute lessons (9/term)	\$400	Early Bird Discount
	\$410	Standard
	\$445	Late Fee
45 minute lessons (9/term)	\$595	Early Bird Discount
	\$610	Standard
	\$640	Late Fee
60 minute lessons (9/term)	\$785	Early Bird Discount
	\$795	Standard
	\$830	Late Fee

Deadlines for Term Fee Payment Options 2022				
	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
<b>Early Bird Discount</b>	<b>Fri 4/2</b>	<b>Fri 6/5</b>	<b>Fri 29/7</b>	<b>Fri 20/10</b>
<b>Standard</b>	<b>Fri 25/2</b>	<b>Fri 27/5</b>	<b>Fri 18/8</b>	<b>Fri 10/11</b>
<b>Late Fee</b>	Payment after Standard Fee of Week 3 deadline passes			
<b>Instalment Plan</b>	Devise upfront instalment plan with NECOM			

### 2022 NECOM Term Dates (based on public school terms)

(NECOM) Term 1, 2022	Term 2, 2022	Term 3, 2022	Term 4, 2022
31.01.2022-08.04.2022	26.4.2022-01/07.2022	18.07.2022-23.09.2022	10.10.2022-20.12.2022

### INSTRUMENT HIRE SERVICE

NECOM hires string, woodwind and brass instruments (fractional to full sizes) when the initial cost of buying an instrument is prohibitive for students. For information on available instruments and hire costs please contact the NECOM office or go to: [www.necom.org.au](http://www.necom.org.au)

### OPTIONAL ENSEMBLES

It is highly recommended that instrumental students extend their studies with ensemble training. Australian and international research proves that the most accomplished and successful students are those who perform in ensembles in a non-competitive social environment with their peers. NECOM offers sequenced ensembles for beginners through to advanced orchestral players so please contact the NECOM office for information and enrolment forms. Otherwise, check the NECOM website: [www.necom.org.au](http://www.necom.org.au)

## 2022 INSTRUMENTAL/VOCAL LESSONS PROGRAM

Please read through the **Enrolment Terms, Conditions and Policy** required for enrolment.

### Enrolment Terms

- Programs are designed for the full year of sequential activities, and it is assumed that enrolment is for the full year i.e. 4 public school terms.
- To activate enrolment, all students must have completed NECOM's enrolment form.
- Invoices will be sent to account holders approximately 3 weeks before each term commences.
- Term invoices will be automatically sent unless a formal withdrawal has been received with the minimum 4 weeks' notice period.
- It is the responsibility of the Account Holder (parent/guardian/student) to notify the NECOM office of any changes to their contact details.

### Payment Options

Refer to Table of fees and payment dates overleaf. **NB: If your fee payment/instalment payment is not received in full or part by week 4 of each term, NECOM reserves the right to cease or suspend lessons.**

- **Payment Plans** - NECOM offers family payment plans, please contact NECOM office for an application form
- **Early Bird Discount** - NECOM offers a \$10 early bird discount per student per program when fees are paid in full by early bird date
- **Family Member discounts** - NECOM offers family member discounts for second and subsequent siblings at \$10 per sibling (for instrumental tuition only)
- **Pay in Advance discount** - NECOM offers a pay in advance discount of 5% on annual fees paid in advance

### Lesson Attendance Policy, Late Commencements, Missed Lessons & Refunds

- New students who enrol after the beginning of the term may be entitled to a pro-rata reduction in tuition fees.
- Parents/students must give a minimum of 48 hours' notice to their teacher if they cannot attend a lesson so an alternative time can be negotiated. This includes lessons missed due to school activities (eg. carnivals, excursions) or other events.
- Lessons missed with less than 48 hours' notice, or without notice, will not be given a make-up lesson and are not eligible for a refund or credit.
- A make-up lesson may be made up at the discretion of the teacher if the student fell ill or had an accident on the day and it was not possible to give notice to the teacher.
- Makeup lessons will be offered at the teacher's discretion by offering two alternative lesson times – if the parents/student do not take up either of the alternative times, the makeup lesson is forfeited.
- In exceptional circumstances (e.g. serious prolonged illness or accident with a doctor's certificate), a request for credit or a refund must be made to NECOM.
- Fees are due by week 4 of each term, after which time a late fee may be charged. NECOM reserves the right to suspend or cancel enrolments if accounts remain outstanding.
- Relevant NECOM policies and directions apply to parents/guardians/students. These policies may be varied at times by NECOM and up to date copies can be obtained upon request to NECOM.

### Withdrawal Policy

- Notification to withdraw or defer lessons must be made giving a minimum of 4 weeks' notice to [admin@necom.org.au](mailto:admin@necom.org.au)
- A telephone call, text or casual conversation with your teacher does not constitute an official written notification of your cancellation of enrolment.

