Music

Performing Ensembles

Membership in Music Department performing ensembles (choral, orchestral, concert and pep band, jazz, chamber, etc.) is open to UMSL students in all majors and minors. Admission to most ensembles is by audition (consent of the instructor). EN PER 1400 University Chorus, is open to all university students without audition.

General Information

Degrees and Areas of Concentration

The Department of Music offers programs of study leading to the B.M. degree in music education (and state teaching certification in grades K-12); the B.M. degree with an emphasis in performance; the B.M. degree with an emphasis in theory/composition; the B.M. degree with elective studies in business; and the B.A. degree in music.

Instruction in piano, organ, voice, and all band and orchestral instruments is given by full-time faculty and adjunct faculty who are also professional musicians. Some are members of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. Faculty recitals are regularly scheduled.

Music Minors

A minor in music and jazz is available.

Facilities

The Department's facilities, classrooms, studios, practice rooms, and listening labs are located in the Music Building and the Arts Administration Building. Performance spaces are in the Touhill Performing Arts Center.

Ensembles

Fourteen performing ensembles are open to all by audition with credit optional:

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Each year more than 100 student recitals and concerts are presented.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the Department of Music: (314) 516-5980.

Career Outlook

A music degree builds the foundation for a career in professional performance, music education or composition and music theory. A music degree also prepares you for positions in the music industry (recording, publishing, radio programming, manufacturing, music retail) or as a church music director. Employers in many fields take notice of applicants with music degrees; music study requires a high level of discipline, musicians are creative and positive and musical aptitude is known to be correlated with other desirable skills.

UMSL music graduates have been readily accepted into outstanding graduate programs, including our own Master of Music Education degree program. Many are pursuing successful careers in music education, business, and industry, or as professional performers.

Faculty Overview

Music faculty members have received recognition for distinguished achievements in conducting, composition, and performance. The faculty is also recognized for research in musicology, music theory, and music education. Part-time applied music lecturers are professional musicians.

The Department of Music is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music.

Degrees

Music BA (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/music-ba)

Music BM

- Performance Emphasis (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/music-bm-performance-emphasis)
- Music Education Emphasis (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/music-bm-music-education-emphasis)
- Music Theory (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/music-bm-music-theory-emphasis)
- Music Composition Emphasis (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/music-bm-music-composition-emphasis)

Music Education MME (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/music-education-mme)

Minors

Jazz Studies Minor (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/jazz-studies-minor)

Music Minor (http://bulletin.umsl.edu/programs/music-minor)

Courses offered by the department can be found at the links below:

- Applied Music (AP MUS)
- Ensemble Performance (EN PER)
- Music Education (MUS ED)
- Music History (M H L T)
- Pedagogy (PDGOGY)
Practicum (PRACTM)

Theory and Compositions (THRY COM)