

DEPARTMENT OF

MUSIC

Music Major Admissions

Students must be accepted as a music major before registering for the first semester of major classes. This initial admissions process includes:

1. Submitting the Music Admissions Application found at www.byui.edu/music/apply
2. Performing a solo audition www.byui.edu/music/apply/audition-requirements

The Music Admissions Application is separate from the University Application and is submitted online. All of these materials are generally due February 1st for enrollment in the following school year. This initial admissions process is the same for all students, whether transfer student or incoming freshman. Detailed information about the application, audition requirements and procedures, and other instructions can be found on the Department website www.byui.edu/music.

Be aware that after completion of the first semester of coursework, a student must apply for "Continuing Music Major Status" in order to continue as a music major. Details can be found in the University catalog.



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Welcome to the Music Department! The faculty, current students, and I all look forward to helping you pursue your musical and academic goals here at BYU-Idaho. We welcome your participation in all that our outstanding program offers!

Programs offered through this department:

[1. Music \(BA\)](#)

[2. Music \(BM\)](#)

- [Jazz Studies](#)
- [Organ Performance](#)
- [Piano Performance](#)
- [String Performance](#)
- [Vocal Performance](#)
- [Woodwind, Brass or Percussion Performance](#)

[3. Musical Arts \(BMA\)](#)

- [General Music](#)
- [String](#)

[4. Music Education Composite \(BMED\)](#)

- [Band](#)
- [Choral](#)
- [Orchestra](#)

[Academic Catalog Link](#)



What courses should I take my first semester?

All newly accepted Music Majors must begin with the correct courses during their first semester on campus. This will allow you to finish and graduate on schedule without requiring additional semesters of study. The following information is designed to help you as you choose and register for your first semester courses:

First Semester:

- Music 155 Introductory Vocal Methods (vocal) (2 credits) OR Music 160 Music Lessons 1 (instrumental) (2 credits) (Band Education Majors = Music 160 for 1 credit only)
- Music 172 Musicianship 1 (3 credits)
- Music ____ Performing Ensemble (Specific ensemble assignment made after auditions) [See www.byui.edu/music] (1 credit)

First or Second Semester:

- Music 102 Music in Western Civilization (2 credits)
- Music 156 Basic Piano (if remedial piano instruction is needed; all music majors must pass Music 256 before their fourth semester).

Second Semester:

- Music 161 Music Lessons 2 (2 credits)
- Music 173 Musicianship 2 (3 credits)
- Music ____ Performing Ensemble (1 credit)

Complete your schedule (semester total of 15-16 credits) with General Education courses (for instance):

- ENG 150 (3 credits)
- MATH 108 (3 credits)
- GE 101 (1 credits)
- Natural Science option (3 credits)
- Social Science option (3 credits)
- Any religion course (2 credits)

*See the BYU-I Course Catalog for expanded course descriptions

If you have questions regarding classes, contact your Academic Advisor in the College of Performing and Visual Arts: (208) 496-9870 or CPVA_adc@byui.edu

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Ensembles

The Department of Music has twenty-five different performance ensembles. These include both auditioned and open-enrollment orchestras, bands, choirs, chamber ensembles, etc., for both music majors and non-music majors. Each music degree requires a specific number of semesters of ensemble enrollment.

Ensemble Auditions

Auditions for choir are typically held one or two days before classes begin each semester. Instrumental ensemble auditions are usually held the first day or two of classes. Consult the Department webpage for more details (www.byui.edu/music)

BYU-Idaho Campus Map

Music classes are held primarily in the Snow building.

