

STUDY MUSIC

The University of Mississippi's Department of Music offers a Bachelor of Arts in Music and a Bachelor of Music with emphases in Music Education and Music Performance. Both degrees require competitive audition.

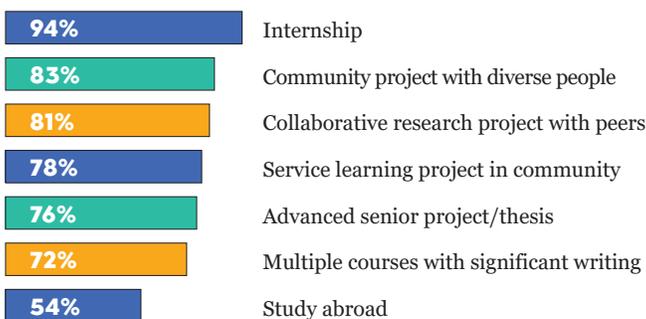
Join our vibrant music community.

What does it mean to major in music? The more flexible BA in music allows greater compatibility with other areas of study through a required minor field of study, while the BM prepares students to become professional musicians and educators. Either way, it means working with your major professor one-on-one from the very start. Explore a universal language that knows no barriers while learning specific strategies for advancing your musical craft.

DEPARTMENT
Scholarships awarded

\$1,315,500

Gain What Employers Value



% of employers likely to hire graduates with select experiences.

2019 survey by National Association of Colleges and Employers

Courses You'll Take

BA students complete 56 credit hours of music courses.

- Intro to Music Literature and World Music Cultures
- 4 semesters of Music Theory and Analysis
- History of Music I, II
- Form and Analysis I
- Intro to Music Technology
- 12 hours of major instrument/voice
- 9 hours of Music electives
- 8 semesters of ensembles
- 6 semesters of student recital.

BM students complete the following requirements.

- Music Education emphasis core of 27-29 hours of music theory and history courses; 34-37 hours of education courses; and concentration:
 - instrumental (with 31 more credit hours)
 - or keyboard (with 21 more credit hours)
 - or vocal principal (with 29 more credit hours)
- Music Performance emphasis core of 30 credit hours of music courses plus a concentration:
 - instrumental (with 59 more credit hours)
 - or keyboard (with 53 more credit hours)
 - or vocal principal (with 50 more credit hours)

Enhance Your Experience

- Benefit from faculty mentorship.
- Connect with the community by working with young musicians.
- Compete in music competitions.
- Learn and refine teaching skills by working with master teachers in public schools.
- Perform and travel the world with one of our more than 20 ensembles, from bowl games and Carnegie Hall to the White House and European jazz festivals.
- Conclude your college career with a senior recital.



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ALUMNI EXAMPLES

- Owner, Burnham Enterprises
- Director of Bands, Southaven
- Choral Director, Ocean Springs
- Dir. of Bands, Itawamba Comm. College
- Music Faculty, Arizona State University
- Music Faculty, Berklee College of Music
- National Trainer, Time to Teach
- Musical Dir./Conductor, Natl Tour of “Cats”
- Professional Singer, Salzburg Opera
- US Air Force Band
- Musical Director, Second City
- Project Coord., Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences
- Music Engraving Manager, Warner Bros.
- Music Dir., Cordova Presbyterian Church
- Piano Accompanist, New Orleans Rec Ballet Association Center for Dance
- President, MS Band Master’s Assoc

Why Study Music?

Focus on process, collaboration, reasoning skills, communication, a strong work ethic, the ability to give and receive feedback, and a standard of excellence – critical skills for being successful in any life journey, no matter the career.

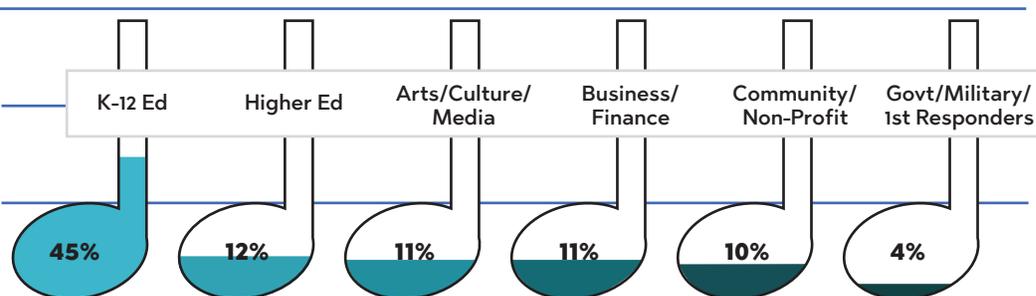
National Survey of Skills Desired by Employers



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Access to a Network of Alumni

You’ll have access to a strong alumni network. Our music alumni find careers in all major economic sectors. The most common are:



At my audition at UM, I visited with faculty and knew I had found my home away from home, a place that could allow me to express myself.”

Portia Davis (BM Music Education, Keyboard '13) Teacher, Power Academic and Performing Arts Complex

LET’S TALK

We’d love to tell you more about Music and learn about your interests.
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