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A Degree in Music from Union University

The Department of Music at Union University invites you to explore, enhance, and employ your musical gifts with us as we exalt God and inspire others. Our talented faculty members are professional musicians and teachers, committed to Christ-centered excellence and ready to challenge and encourage you to reach beyond your expectations.

Regardless of your degree selection or career goals, the Department of Music will provide quality instruction in the classroom, high standards in the private studio, and exceptional experiences through ensemble participation. You will learn from the great repertoire of the Western Art Tradition while embracing new and global musical expressions. Through rigorous studies and a variety of performances, you will develop musically, intellectually, and spiritually while connecting with others and learning to use your gifts to serve your community and the world for Christ. Apply today and become part of what God is doing through the Department of Music at Union University.

Union University is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music.

Bachelor of Music

The Department of Music offers a variety of professional, Bachelor of Music degrees. While broad in scope, these degrees prepare students for career fields in or closely related to music. These include:

- Music Education (vocal/general and instrumental/general)
- Church Music
- Performance (voice, piano, organ)
- Music Theory
- Composition
- Music with an Emphasis in Worship Leadership
- Music with an Emphasis in Management
- Music with Elective Studies in Communication Arts

Bachelor of Arts in Music

The Department of Music also offers the Bachelor of Arts in Music degree with a minor in an outside field. This degree is particularly suited for those students who see music as an entry point into college but who may not be planning a specific career in music. Even so, as with all of our music degrees, students are well prepared for graduate studies in music and a myriad of musical careers.

Minor in Music

In addition, the Department of Music offers a Minor in Music for students pursuing a degree in an outside field. The Minor in Music, as well as all music degrees, requires a successful audition in a chosen area (voice, piano, violin, etc.)

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Performance Opportunities

Whether you're pursuing a degree in music, looking for an opportunity to continue your musical experiences, or exploring music for the first time, the Department of Music at Union University has an opportunity for you.

Vocal

Cantilena, for ladies only, is one of Union's newest ensembles. This group of singers is comprised of women from across campus, rehearses twice a week, and performs two concerts each semester.

Men's Choir provides men from every area of the college an opportunity to socialize and to carry on the great, international tradition of male ensemble singing. Like its female counterpart, Men's Choir rehearses twice a week and performs two concerts each semester, frequently joining with the ladies for a large ensemble experience.

Union's auditioned, mixed choir, **University Singers** tours each spring; internationally every third year. On recent tours University Singers has performed at the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C., St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, Italy, and the St. Louis Basilica in St. Louis, Missouri. The ensemble is scheduled to tour Ireland during the spring of 2014.

Voices of Proclamation serves as the public relations ensemble for the Department of Music. A small, chamber group of top singers, "Proc" performs frequently throughout the year at area churches, high schools, community gatherings, and university events.

Opera Workshop presents performances each semester ranging from scenes programs to fully staged productions. Participation is open to upper level vocalists and required for vocal performance majors. Repertoire is chosen from both opera and musical theater.

Instrumental

The **University Orchestra**, Union's newest performing group, presents symphonic literature of the highest caliber and provides students a place to utilize their skills and enjoy making music with other accomplished instrumentalists.

Symphonic Band is open to all university students and rehearses three times weekly. The band performs once each term, presenting a variety of traditional band literature as well as contemporary works.

The **Jazz Band** performs one concert each term to a packed house of adoring fans. Focusing on literature from big band to contemporary jazz, this non-auditioned ensemble practices one evening each week.

Ringing 5 octaves of English bells, the Union University **Handbell Choir** offers a unique opportunity to students of all backgrounds and experiences.

Piano Ensembles is open to students demonstrating sufficient keyboard skills and desiring to perform literature composed for multiple pianists at a single or multiple keyboards.

You may also register for **private lessons** as part of your semester's courses. Applied areas include: Voice | Piano | Organ | Flute | Oboe | Bassoon | Clarinet | Saxophone | Violin | Viola | Cello | Bass | Harp Guitar | Trumpet | French Horn | Trombone | Tuba | Percussion