

Music

School of Music

The School of Music at Montana State University offers dynamic programs in music, music technology, and music education, preparing our students for various professions and life-long musical engagement. Inspired by the belief that music is central to human ways of life, the School affirms the University's mission to serve the people and communities of Montana by providing a musically enriched environment. The School is committed to contributing to the musical world through performance, scholarship, composition, leadership, and nurturing the musical expression, understanding, discovery, and creativity of its faculty and students.

The School of Music offers courses available to all students regardless of major. Many music courses, including ensembles satisfy University CORE requirements. Enrollment in School of Music ensembles is open to all students regardless of major. Some ensembles require an audition.

All incoming music majors must demonstrate their level of musicianship through auditions before being accepted into an applied studio. Additionally, all incoming music majors must demonstrate their level of musicianship through theory, aural perception, and keyboard skills diagnostic tests.

Montana State University is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (<https://nasm.arts-accredit.org/>).

Undergraduate Curricula in Music

- B.A. in Music (<http://catalog.montana.edu/undergraduate/artsarchitecture/music/ba-music/>)
- B.A. in Music Technology (<http://catalog.montana.edu/undergraduate/artsarchitecture/music/ba-music-technology/>)
- Bachelor of Music Education (<http://catalog.montana.edu/undergraduate/artsarchitecture/music/ba-music-education/>)
- Music Minor (Non-Teaching) (<http://catalog.montana.edu/undergraduate/artsarchitecture/music/music-minor-nonteaching/>)

Graduate Curricula

The School of Music offers a Master of Music (M.M) in Music Education (<http://catalog.montana.edu/graduate/arts-architecture/music/>) degree program. The degree is designed for currently licensed, practicing music teachers. The Master of Music in Music Education is an online degree program, allowing teachers to earn an advanced music degree on their own time, while continuing their teaching careers. The curriculum emphasizes practical applications of music and music education content in K-12 music classrooms.

The Department of Education is no longer accepting applications for the following degree: Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Curriculum and Instruction (<https://www.montana.edu/education/grad/ci/>) with an Emphasis in Music Education. Students currently enrolled in that degree program may elect to complete their M.Ed. degree or move to the Master of Music in Music Education (M.M.) degree program.