

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

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Mission

The mission of the department is to develop musicians who are aware of the past, engaged in the present, embracing the future, and capable of leading and making musical contributions in whatever community or walk of life they choose. We offer professional training and promote scholarship among students in the discipline of music, sharing the expertise of our faculty in the training of music educators, scholars and performers. We recognize the interdependence among performance studies, music education and the theoretical and historical aspects of musical study, and we strive to instill excellence in each of these areas. We provide leadership for the region and serve the musical needs of the University, the general college student, campus cultural goals and the larger surrounding community through ensembles, solo performances and curricular offerings.

The Department of Music offers a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music with three concentrations.

- Concentration One in Music Education fulfills the requirements for the professional certificate to teach music in Alabama public schools on both the elementary and secondary levels.
- Concentration Two in General Music offers a program designed for the study of music within a liberal arts curriculum.
- Concentration Three in Music offers performance programs for instrumental, jazz, piano or voice.

Eligibility requirements: Students seeking to pursue a degree in Music must be determined as eligible for the program. Eligibility requirements include:

- a formal audition in the student's primary performance medium (vocal or instrumental)
- theory and keyboard examinations
- evaluation of the student's potential for success by a faculty committee

The procedures are in addition to University admission requirements. Music auditions and examinations may be arranged through the Music Office. A program assessment review will be accomplished at the end of the sophomore year to determine eligibility to advance to upper division level music studies.

Music Electives for Non-Music Majors

All ensembles (Marching Southerners, concert bands, choirs, orchestra, jazz groups, etc.) and MU 233 Introduction to Music (3) are available to any student in the University. These classes and performing groups are designed to meet the needs of the general student who wishes to continue their musical development and involvement, and/or increase his or her appreciation and understanding of music.

- Music - Music Education - Instrumental (Bachelor of Arts) (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-music-education-instrumental-ba/>)

- Music - Music Education - Vocal (Bachelor of Arts) (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-music-education-vocal-ba/>)
- Music - General Music (Bachelor of Arts) (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-general-music-ba/>)
- Music - Instrumental Performance (Bachelor of Arts) (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-instrumental-performance-ba/>)
- Music - Jazz Performance (Bachelor of Arts) (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-jazz-performance-ba/>)
- Music - Piano Performance (Bachelor of Arts) (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-piano-performance-ba/>)
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- Jazz Studies Minor (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/jazz-studies-minor/>)
- Music Minor (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-minor/>)
- Music Technology Minor for General Music Majors (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/arts-humanities-sciences/music/music-technology-minor-for-general-music-majors/>)
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