

Music at WAKE FOREST

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

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If you are focused on becoming a highly trained professional musician, or if you are casually interested in exploring the world of music, the Department of Music at Wake Forest University has courses that will challenge and enlighten you. For more information, check out our web-site www.wfu.edu/music, or contact the Music Department directly at 336.758.5364.



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The Department of Music at Wake Forest University is unique, offering conservatory-quality instruction and facilities within a nationally ranked liberal arts college. In a caring and supportive atmosphere, students from diverse musical backgrounds study with faculty who are passionate about music and who are dedicated to sharing that passion through teaching.

What can I do with a degree in music?

Wake Forest graduates with a major in music compete successfully in the finest graduate programs in the country, such as those at:

- Eastman School of Music
- Peabody Conservatory
- Boston Conservatory
- Stanford University
- Indiana University

Recent alumni are currently on the music faculties of schools including Yale University, Tufts University, University of Missouri, George Washington University, and Petrie School of Music at Converse College; as well as working professionally in areas such as arts management, church music, music therapy, private instruction, and the recording industry.

Many music students use their Bachelor of Arts degree to continue their education with graduate study and employment in a wide variety of areas. Recent Wake Forest music majors are now successful doctors, lawyers, and business people.

The Bachelor of Arts in Music leads to unlimited professional possibilities!



With enriching performance opportunities, rigorous academic courses, outstanding artistic training and personal mentoring, Wake Forest stands as one of our country's finest music programs at a liberal arts research university.

*Andy Clark, '98
Director of Choral Activities, Tufts University*



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The loving support of the music faculty opened up a world of opera, musical theater and performance to me that I would never have experienced otherwise.

*Natalie Cordone, '01
Freelance singer/actor, New York City*



What is the music major like?

Wake Forest offers two music majors:

- **Music Performance**
- **Music in Liberal Arts, with a concentration in Music History, Theory, or Composition**

Both are demanding and stimulating, preparing students for careers in music and/or advanced degrees. Our graduates consistently report that they were extremely well prepared as they entered graduate school or began careers in teaching and performance. Details about the music majors and minor are listed in the College Bulletin. Students interested in pursuing a major in music should contact the Department of Music in their first year.

Can I minor in music?

Many students choose to minor and find that it complements their major study very well.

Are there any scholarships available?

Yes. The Presidential Scholarship for Distinguished Achievement is Wake Forest's most generous scholarship for talent in the arts, awarded to entering students. Information about the Presidential Scholarship can be obtained from the Office of Admissions. Other scholarships, both need-based and merit-based, are also available, and information can be obtained from the office of the Department of Music.

What are the professors like?

The faculty of the Department of Music includes fourteen full-time professors, along with approximately twenty part-time instructors. All are dedicated, enthusiastic and caring professionals, with national and international reputations in their fields.

What are the facilities like?

The beautiful Scales Fine Arts Center is an award-winning building that houses the Department of Music.

It includes:

- Technologically advanced classrooms
- Faculty offices and studios
- Choral and instrumental rehearsal spaces
- Music student lounge
- Listening library
- State-of-the-art music/computer laboratory
- More than 25 practice rooms
- Brendle Recital Hall, one of the finest concert halls in the region.

What courses can I take?

We offer everything from introductory courses for students with little or no musical background, to advanced specialized courses for the music major:

- Music history
- Music of world cultures
- Music theory and composition
- Musical performance

Ensembles offered for academic credit include:

- University Orchestra
- Concert Choir
- Wind Ensemble
- Symphonic Band
- Chamber music
- Early music ensemble
- Marching Band
- Basketball pep band
- Jazz Ensemble



Can I participate in ensembles if I'm not a music major?

Yes you can! Any student who enjoys performing may audition to join the Wake Forest Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Concert Choir, Jazz Ensemble, or Marching Band. There are also non-departmental, student-run ensembles available.



What are my opportunities to perform? Are there many concerts?

The Department of Music calendar typically features thirty or more events each semester. These include:

- Student recitals
- WFU student ensemble concerts
- Faculty and guest recitals
- The Secrest Artists Series, featuring internationally acclaimed performing artists
- Guest lectures and master classes

The department features the Christopher Giles and Lucille S. Harris Competitions in Musical Performance, an annual competition with cash prizes.

In addition, the city of Winston-Salem offers a wide array of cultural experiences, including the Winston-Salem Symphony and Piedmont Opera.

Can I take private lessons even if I'm not a music major?

Absolutely! We encourage ALL interested and qualified students to take lessons - you do not need to be a music major or minor. Individual instruction is available in all orchestral instruments plus piano, guitar and voice. Like most liberal arts schools, the university assesses an additional fee for Individual Instruction.

> Visit www.wfu.edu/music today!

I was challenged in many ways, given great opportunities, mentored by talented, caring, and passionate faculty, and certainly given a unique opportunity for personal growth in ways I haven't experienced elsewhere.

*Zachary Bradley, '02
Associate Pastor, Evergreen PCA Church*



Brendle Recital Hall (above)
Scales Fine Arts Center (below)

