School of Music
Quick Facts

There is a special place for you in the School of Music at East Carolina University! Since 1953, the School of Music has been accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music to prepare students for careers in the following fields:

- Teaching
- Performance
- Music therapy
- Composition
- Sacred music
- Entertainment
- Conducting

Apply to ECU, and then apply and audition for the School of Music. Come join us!

Apply to ECU: admissions.ecu.edu/apply
Apply and audition for the School of Music: music.ecu.edu/future-students

Academic Programs
- Music, Bachelor of Music, with concentrations in:
  - Music Therapy
  - Music Performance
    - Jazz studies, instrumental
    - Jazz studies, vocal
    - Percussion performance
    - Piano performance
    - Sacred music, organ
    - Sacred music, vocal
    - String performance
    - Voice performance
    - Wind performance
- Music Theory-Composition
  - Theory
  - Composition
- Music Education, Bachelor of Music

Facilities
- The A.J. Fletcher Music Center features:
  - 230-seat recital hall with concert streaming capabilities
  - 3 large rehearsal rooms
  - 7 classrooms
  - 44 faculty offices and studios
  - 50 practice rooms
  - 4 organ practice rooms
  - Class piano laboratory
  - Electronic music composition lab
  - Computer lab
  - Joyner Library music library

Festivals and Camps
- Four Seasons Chamber Music Festival
- Billy Taylor Jazz Festival
- Choral clinics and workshops
- ECU Young Artist Piano Competition and Master Classes
- North Carolina NewMusic Initiative
- Summer camps and workshops
  - Summer Chamber Music Institute
  - Summer Band Camp
  - CAVI: Choral and Vocal Intensive
  - North Carolina Suzuki Institute at ECU
  - Guitar Festival and Workshop
  - East Carolina Piano Festival

Performance Ensembles
- Large Ensembles
  - Chamber Singers
  - Concert Band
  - Concert Choir
- ECU Symphony Orchestra
- Marching Pirates™
- Opera Theater
- Symphonic Band
- University Chorale
- Symphonic Wind Ensemble
- Jazz Ensembles
  - Jazz Ensemble A
  - Jazz Ensemble B
- Additional Ensembles
  - Collegiate Choir
  - Guitar Ensemble
  - Percussion Ensemble
  - Percussion Players
  - Zamba Yawar (ECU Afro-Latin Ensemble)
- Chamber string, wind and brass ensembles
- Jazz combos

Sports Ensembles
- Basketball pep band
- Marching Pirates

Faculty
- More than 50 music faculty with specialist teachers in every area of applied instrument and voice

Student Population
- Approximately 250 undergraduate and 50 graduate and CAPS students
Student Organizations
American Choral Directors Association
Kappa Kappa Psi
Music Therapy Club
Musical Empowerment
North Carolina Music Educators Association
Phi Mu Alpha
Pi Kappa Lambda
Sigma Alpha Iota
Student Forum for Music Organizations
Student National Association of Teachers of Singing
Tau Beta Sigma

Music Living Learning Community
The Music Living Learning Community is an exceptional place for music students to thrive by sharing similar schedules, study habits, and love for their art form. Having all freshman music majors live together in this unique space builds camaraderie and enhances the success of the members. Based on availability, all freshman music majors live in the Music LLC and support each other in the challenges unique to music majors.

School of Music and University Scholarships
Apply early for scholarship consideration.
School of Music scholarships are awarded in March and are based primarily on audition performance.
Apply for university scholarships at ecu.edu/universityscholarships.
Apply early to ECU for Honors College consideration. Information and deadlines at honors.ecu.edu.

So You Want to Be a Music Major?

Develop Your Musicianship
Attend concerts
Ask your music teacher how you can improve
Establish a daily practice routine
Take lessons when possible
Enroll in your school’s music classes
Perform as often as possible
Audition for honors ensembles
Learn to play the piano
Learn basic music theory
Utilize free online tutorials for music theory, keyboard, guitar
Join a community music group
Look for ways to serve through music

High School Timeline
Freshman and Sophomore Years
Explore university music school websites.
Ask your music teacher about majoring in music.
Visit university music events.

Junior Year
Attend university student-for-a-day events.
Do internet searches about jobs in music.
Read university websites about music auditions.
Ask music teachers, university professors, or other mentors for guidance through music school audition process.

Senior Year
Visit university music schools.
E-mail a university music professor to ask about taking a lesson.
Apply and audition at schools that interest you.

Connect With Us
Create your ECU Navigator account at NAVIGATOR.ECU.EDU so we will know about your interest in majoring in music.

Need help with your application or audition?
E-mail MUSICADMISSIONS@ECU.EDU and we will be happy to help!

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