

UNIVERSITY of
NORTHERN COLORADO



SCHOOL OF MUSIC
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Frequently Asked Questions

How can I arrange to visit classes or receive a tour of the facilities?

Please contact Sue Allen at 970-351-2993 or Sue.Allen@unco.edu to arrange a visit to the School of Music.

What degrees and emphases does UNC offer in the School of Music?

We offer the following degrees and emphases. For details on courses and degree requirements, visit <http://catalog.unco.edu/>

Bachelor of Arts	Liberal Arts	Master of Music	Collaborative Piano Instrumental Performance Jazz Studies Music Education Music History & Literature Music Theory & Composition Vocal Performance
Bachelor of Music Education	Instrumental Music K-12 Teaching Vocal Piano and General Music K-12 Teaching		
Bachelor of Music	Business Composition Instrumental Performance Jazz Studies Instrumental Piano Vocal Performance	Doctor of Arts	Collaborative Piano Conducting Jazz Studies Music Composition Music Education Music History & Literature Music Performance

Do you have a degree/emphasis in music technology?

The UNC School of Music does not offer a degree or emphasis in Music Technology. However, we offer several classes and have a state of the art recording studio, computer, and keyboard labs.

Does UNC offer a vocal jazz degree/emphasis?

At this time, we do not have a Jazz Studies degree with vocal emphasis. However, all UNC students are welcome to audition for our vocal jazz ensembles. In addition to our flagship group, Northern Colorado Voices, there are three other Vocal Jazz Ensembles that vary in size and composition based on the strengths of the students involved.

Do I have to apply to both the University and the School of Music?

You will need to apply to both the University and the School of Music. Undergraduate applicants should visit the UNC Admissions site at <http://www.unco.edu/future/> for UNC Undergraduate Admission procedures. Graduate applicants should follow the requirements and deadlines of the Graduate School for admissions at <http://www.unco.edu/grad/index.html>. The School of Music undergraduate and graduate applications and audition requirements are located here: <http://www.arts.unco.edu/music/admissions/default.html>.

Do I have to wait to be accepted to the University before completing a School of Music application?

No, we encourage you to complete your School of Music application early to secure an audition time. However, if you are accepted to the School of Music, you must also meet the admissions requirements of the University to be fully admitted.

What are your application deadlines?

The School of Music does not have a deadline for our application, but you are encouraged to apply early. Your School of Music application will allow us to schedule your audition. Our Audition Dates fill quickly.

When are the Audition Dates?

February 11, 2012

February 20, 2012

February 25, 2012

What if I cannot attend one of the scheduled audition days?

Please contact Valerie Anderson, 970-351-2679 or Valerie.Anderson@unco.edu for more information. Some areas will accept a recorded performance. Some may make arrangements for an alternative audition date.

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What are the audition requirements?

Admission to all degrees require an audition and/or interview. Specific audition requirements are listed on the application: <http://www.arts.unco.edu/music/admissions/default.html>. You are also welcome to contact the faculty listed on the application for more detailed questions about repertoire.

How will I be notified of the results of my audition time?

You will receive an email from Valerie.Anderson@unco.edu with your audition date and time.

How will I be notified of my audition results?

The Director of the School of Music will send you an official letter via the postal service in March.

How do I apply for a School of Music talent award or assistantship?

All incoming students are considered for talent awards and/or assistantships. Your admissions audition will also act as a scholarship audition. Only graduate students who wish to be considered for a Jazz Studies assistantship will need to complete a Jazz Assistantship application: <http://www.arts.unco.edu/music/admissions/default.html>. Recommendations for music talent scholarships/assistantships are made by the faculty in each area and are finalized by the Director of the School of Music.

How will I be notified if I received a talent award?

The Director of the School of Music will send you an official letter via the postal service in April if you receive an award. You are welcome to contact Valerie Anderson, 970-351-2679 or Valerie.Anderson@unco.edu to confirm. If you receive an award, please pay attention to the directions for acceptance and reply by the deadline.

Do you offer talent awards to non-music majors or music minors?

Typically, talent awards are reserved for music majors. However, the Director of the School of Music may make an exception if a talented student participates in the top ensembles.

If I do not gain admission to the School of Music, can I still participate in the ensembles?

Yes, our ensembles are open to all UNC students. Ensemble seating auditions take place the week before the fall semester. Based on your placement audition, you will be placed in an ensemble appropriate for your abilities.

If I am not accepted to the School of Music, can I still take music classes?

You are welcome to take any classes not designated as "majors only", such as MUS 104 (Fundamentals of Music Theory), MUS 140 (Introduction to Music), or MUS 143 (Musical Styles and Context) and others. All UNC students are welcome to participate in ensembles. You can also declare a Music minor to be able take more music classes.

How do I declare a Music Minor? Do I have to audition to declare a music minor?

You do not need to audition for a music minor. Complete a Change of Major/Minor form and bring to Frasier Hall 108 for signature and advising.

If I am not a music major can I take private lessons? What if I am a music minor?

Private lessons for University credit are reserved for music majors, not minors. You may contact Sue Allen, 351-2993, Sue.Allen@unco.edu for possible referrals of private teachers in Greeley.

If accepted, what placement tests do I need to take? Will the results affect my admissions status?

The results of these exams will not affect your admissions status.

Undergraduate Placement Exams

You will need to take an online theory placement test prior to enrolling in UNC music theory courses. You may receive credit for AP or college courses depending on your score. If you have never studied piano, you may register for MUS 160 (Beginning Class Piano). Otherwise, you will take a piano placement exam during the week prior to the first week of the fall semester to determine the appropriate level of study.

Graduate Placement Exams

Each new student entering a graduate program in music at the University of Northern Colorado is required to take graduate advisory or placement examinations in three subject areas: Music History, Music Theory and the student's major area. Results of advisory examinations will be used in planning the program of study.