

# Music

*Made in Windsor.*



**MUSIC (BA)**

**MUSIC (BMUS) - COMPREHENSIVE STREAM**

**MUSIC (BMUS) - MUSIC EDUCATION STREAM**

**MUSIC (BMUS)/CONCURRENT EDUCATION (BED)**

**MUSIC COMBINED HONOURS PROGRAMS**

**INTERDISCIPLINARY ARTS AND SCIENCE**



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**Music  
Experience Map**





**University  
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# UWindsor Life

## Highlights and Skills


### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

**Music (BA)  ** Find your jam in our music program. You'll study a wide variety of musical genres. The program's home is in our amazing School of Creative Arts, a beautifully renovated historic armouries building. We keep class sizes small so our faculty can give your talent the attention it deserves. You have the option of combining your music studies with another discipline, or pursuing a concurrent degree in education.

**MIN. AVG.\* 70% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS**  
ENG4U required.


**Music (BMus) - Comprehensive Stream ** Be your own maestro in our Bachelor of Music program, with the option of specializing in jazz. Here you'll study music through performance and academic study. Your home base is our beautifully renovated School of Creative Arts, where our class sizes are small and our faculty is dedicated to your success.

**MIN. AVG.\* 70% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS**  
ENG4U required. Music audition required.


**Music (BMus) - Music Education Stream ** Spread the love of music in this program that focuses on the methods and practice of teaching. You'll take specific voice

or instrument training, and also learn music theory, the foundations of music education and basic conducting. The School of Creative Arts, where the program is housed, is stunning. We keep class sizes small so our caring faculty can give you lots of personal attention.

**MIN. AVG.\* 70% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS**  
ENG4U required. Music audition required.

**Music (BMus) /Concurrent Education (BEd)** This program will strike a chord with students set on teaching music or basic rhythms and instruments in high school. At the end of this five-year program you'll have both an honours degree in music and a bachelor of education degree. You'll have lots of hands-on learning experiences to put the theory of music and education you've learned into practice.

**MIN. AVG.\* 75% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS**  
ENG4U required. Music audition required. Admission to first year only.

**Interdisciplinary Arts and Science ** If high achievement and diverse academic pursuits are in your DNA, this elite program is for you. It's for students who want to develop knowledge and skills in the sciences, arts, humanities and social sciences. Blend your interests – drama with biomedical or

biochemistry with music. You can tailor your program to match your interests and career aspirations. Our students go on to do research or graduate degrees in their field. This program is small by design to give your talents the attention they deserve.

**MIN. AVG.\* 80% ONTARIO COURSE REQUIREMENTS**  
ENG4U, MHF4U, and two from SBI4U, SCH4U, or SPH4U. MCV4U is strongly recommended.




### FUNCTIONAL KNOWLEDGE

- Creating, arranging, playing, and editing music across genres for diverse audiences and purposes
- Designing, staging, managing, and otherwise overseeing effective musical performances
- Analyzing and assessing live and recorded music for formal/technical quality of expression
- Explaining fundamental musical techniques to others
- Assessing and appreciating the respective sociocultural roles of various musicians and schools of music
- Appreciating the respective roles of various public and private musical organizations and stakeholders

 Honours – 4-year program  Combined Honours programs available \* Minimum grade point average for admission to program. A higher average may be required.

## Build your Skills and Experience

Your UWindsor experience is more than attending classes. It is a combination of academics, co-curricular activities, and extracurricular involvement. By making the most of all three elements of your university experience, you will maximize your opportunities to build your skills, broaden your personal network, and clarify your long term academic and career goals.

	<b>CURRICULUM</b> Courses of study specific to each program
	<b>CO-CURRICULAR</b> Activities and experiences that complement coursework (Outstanding Scholars, peer mentoring, VIP)
	<b>EXTRACURRICULAR</b> Activities falling outside the scope of set curriculum (Part-time job, clubs, volunteering, athletics)

## Career Planning Cycle

Intentional career planning will help you prepare for your next step after graduation and beyond. It is a fluid, dynamic, and lifelong process. You can move on or return to an earlier stage in the cycle at any time.



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## Explore Opportunities Using This Chart

Explore a selection of opportunities recommended for students in your program. This chart shows some of your many options – you don't have to do everything on it or limit yourself to it. Engage in opportunities from each of the three categories to set yourself up for success.

### High-Impact Practice (HIP)

A HIP is an enriching educational experience that can be life-changing and often includes learning outside of the classroom while encouraging meaningful interaction and collaboration, such as:

- Co-op, internship or field experiences
- Research with faculty
- Culminating senior experience
- Capstone courses
- Service-learning
- Learning communities
- Study abroad

## Academics

*Your Coursework*






### First Year

- Take required core courses in Music Theory and Music History/Literature
- Review degree course requirements
- Focus on core courses to learn which disciplines within music you want to focus on in later years
- Meet with an academic advisor such as Undergraduate Coordinator or faculty advisor
- Perform with **SoCA** ensembles throughout your degree
- Receive peer mentorship from members of the **Creative Arts Student Society**.

### Middle Years

- Take required courses and maintain regular contact with academic advisors to make sure you are on the right path
- Look into completing a research/performance project in final year 
- Begin taking courses in accordance with **Certificate in Arts Management**
- Seek out courses that offer field experience 
- Start taking courses required as pre-requisites for graduate/professional school
- Consider declaring a minor and/or specialization




### Final Year



- Meet with an academic advisor to go over degree requirements
- Complete all required courses for your degree
- Apply to graduate through **UWinside Student Portal**
- Work with a faculty member on a research project or publication 
- Complete required courses for **Arts Management Certificate**
- Take a field work or practicum course to optimize your senior experience 
- Present a capstone recital or project that reflects your artistic identity 





## Experience

*Ways To Get Involved*



- Explore available upper-year Music internship or practicum courses 
- Investigate research opportunities as part of the **Outstanding Scholars** program or **Ignite: Work Study** positions
- Receive private instruction to work on perfecting technical aspects 
- Research student exchange opportunities for middle years, especially in the UK 
- Join clubs such as the **Creative Arts Student Society, Lancer Band, or UWSA**
- Participate in the **Bystander Initiative** workshop to gain skills that will help you be an effective and supportive ally to prevent sexual assault on campus
- Apply for a co-curricular experience such as **VIP-Community Service Learning**

- Join a professional association such as the **Ontario Music Association** or **Ontario Music Educators' Association**
- Perform ensembles such as the **University Singers, University Wind Ensemble, or Jazz Ensemble**
- Participate in the **UWill Discover** undergraduate research conference 
- Attend a **Windsor Symphony Orchestra** event
- Apply for student exchange 
- Expand your skills by taking on a summer, part-time or volunteer position
- Look for a leadership role in a club or society

- Become an **Ignite: Work Study** assistant, teaching assistant, or research assistant with a faculty member 
- Conduct field research with a faculty member 
- Become a tutor for **Students Offering Support (SOS)** 
- Complete Graduation Project or final-year Recital (Bachelor of Music students) 
- Work with a department on campus to help produce music for a marketing or promotional video

## Career

*Plan Ahead For What's Next*



- Start by making a list of things that you enjoy and areas in which you excel
- Meet with a career advisor in **Career Development and Experiential Learning (CDEL)** for help developing a plan for your future years
- Consider a **Career Exploration Program** appointment to help you identify possible career paths
- Get involved with a part-time job, volunteer opportunity, campus group, or research assistantship
- Attend **CDEL** workshops to learn how to find a summer or part-time job and write a university-level resumé
- Chat with an advisor during **CDEL's Drop In** hours to get answers to your career and job search questions

- Research career fields and occupations with the help of a **CDEL** career advisor
- Explore opportunities and meet potential employers by participating in job fairs, industry networking events, and **CDEL's Job Shadow Experience**
- Explore further educational opportunities by attending the **Graduate and Professional Schools Fair** and researching admission requirements for programs that interest you
- Attend **CDEL's** workshops on interview skills and job search strategies
- Create a **LinkedIn** profile and have it critiqued by **CDEL**
- Take part in informational interviews and join online communities like **LinkedIn** and **Ten Thousand Coffees** to connect with people in your targeted profession or industry
- Search job postings to learn what skills, knowledge, and credentials you will need for potential careers

- If you are considering applying to graduate or professional school, be aware of early application deadlines
- Meet with **CDEL** to prepare application documents like a resumé, cover letter, CV, or personal statement for jobs and education programs to which you are applying
- Attend **CDEL's** workshops on interview skills and job search strategies
- Set up a mock interview with a career advisor for professional school or job applications
- Take part in recruitment events and job fairs hosted by **CDEL** and other organizations
- Compose a portfolio of relevant academic and work experience
- Explore professional development opportunities through **Continuing Education**

# Life After Graduation

**50** Number of Graduates

(2020)

**87%** Employment Rate of Graduates

Employment rate of graduates 2 years following degree completion (OUGS Fine and Applied Arts, 2019)

## Career Tracks\*

Business advisor  
Communications specialist  
Consultant  
Development specialist  
Executive director  
Industry trainer  
Journalist  
Lawyer

Legal consultant  
Marketing manager  
Music educator  
Music therapist  
Musician  
Opera singer  
Operations director  
Playwright

Policy analyst  
Private instructor  
Professor  
Program manager  
Project manager  
Public official  
Public relations officer  
Publicist

Recreational director  
Recording Engineer  
Research co-ordinator  
Sale manager  
Studio operator

\*Additional education and/or training required for some of the above careers.



## Common Sectors For Graduates

- **Academia and research:** musicology, pedagogy
- **Advertising and marketing**
- **Education:** Public and private streams
- **Government:** Research and policy development
- **Healthcare and counselling:** Music and art therapy
- **Media and journalism:** Criticism
- **Music (traditional):** Symphonies, ensembles, and theatre companies; recording industry
- **Music (non-traditional):** New and interactive media, digital properties, etc.

## Career-Readiness Competencies



Critical Thinking & Problem Solving



Professionalism & Work Ethic



Teamwork & Collaboration



Communication





# Campus Resources

- Research undergraduate scholarships and bursaries through the **Student Awards and Financial Aid Office**
- Visit **Leddy Library** and the **Writing Support Desk** for help with academic assignments
- Check out the **Bounce Back** program designed to improve academic performance as well as decrease feelings of stress and anxiety through both effective learning strategies and life skills acquisition
- Build leadership skills and find leadership opportunities at the **Leadership Hub**
- Get advice and support about your academic status by making an appointment with **Central Academic Advising**
- Seek out assistance with academic accommodation from **Student Accessibility Services**
- Discover ways to get involved on campus through the **Student Success and Leadership Centre**
- Broaden your cultural awareness through the **International Student Centre** and **Student Exchange Office**
- Look into the **Ignite: Work Study** program for on-campus employment
- Get assistance developing your career plan and job search skills from **Career Development and Experiential Learning**
- Develop your entrepreneurial skills and learn how to start your own business at **EPICentre**
- Find support for Indigenous learners and broaden your understanding of Indigenous culture by visiting the **Aboriginal Education Centre - Turtle Island**
- Tend to your health and wellness with support from **Student Health Services**, the **Wellness Outreach Office** and **Lancer Recreation**
- Receive confidential mental health counselling delivered by trained professionals at the **Student Counselling Centre**
- **Prevent.Resist.Support.** Seek personal support or learn more about sexual violence prevention and resistance education through the **Office of Sexual Violence Prevention, Resistance & Support**
- Explore professional development opportunities through **Continuing Education**



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## Student Recruitment

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## Career Development and Experiential Learning

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