

# MUSKINGUM

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DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

## SCHOLARSHIP AND AUDITION INFORMATION

The Muskingum University Music Department offers performance scholarships for *music majors*, *music minors*, and *music participants* in voice, brass, woodwinds, percussion, keyboard, and string instruments. (Guitar and harp are not offered at this time.) Scholarship amounts are based upon a student's intended level of participation and performance ability. All scholarships are renewable, provided that students meet departmental GPA and participation requirements.

### AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: MUSIC MAJORS AND MUSIC MINORS

To become a *music major* or a *music minor* requires a student to meet the general requirements for admission to the university, and to pass an audition on the primary applied instrument. Students may not declare a major or minor in music without successful completion of an audition.

The audition for the major/minor in music also serves as the scholarship audition. The audition process includes a brief interview as well as the audition itself, in which applicants are expected to demonstrate technical competency and expressive musicianship. Applicants should prepare the following:

Vocalists:

- 2 pieces in contrasting styles, 1 of which (preferably) is in a language other than English
- Sight-reading and tonal memory

Instrumentalists:

- 2 pieces in contrasting styles, or 1 longer work with contrasting sections
- 2 octaves of selected major scales (all applicants) and arpeggios (pianists only)

If the repertoire requires piano accompaniment, applicants are welcome to bring their own pianist. A pianist will be provided by the Music Department providing that a pianist has been requested, and the music has been sent at least 1 week before the audition date.

### AUDITION REQUIREMENTS: MUSIC PARTICIPANTS

*Music participants* are students with other academic majors who would still like to take private applied lessons and participate in a major ensemble (Concert Choir, Wind Ensemble, or Southeastern Ohio Symphony Orchestra). While participant scholarships are smaller than major/minor scholarships, they are at least enough to cover applied lesson fees.

Applicants for participant scholarships are not required to prepare repertoire in advance of their audition, although they are welcome to do so if they wish, and an audition is still required. The audition consists of a brief interview and an assessment of the applicant's basic skill level on the primary instrument or voice.

**Note:** Students are always welcome to audition for and participate in ensembles without auditioning for a participant scholarship. Participant scholarships are intended for those students who wish to further their musical study through both ensemble participation and private lessons.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS AND AUDITION PROCEDURE: ALL APPLICANTS**

Students who wish to be considered for any music performance scholarship should do the following:

- Apply to Muskingum University as a full-time student by [clicking here](#).
- If you have already applied to Muskingum, [login to your admission account](#).

#### **QUESTIONS**

Questions about scholarships, audition requirements, or related matters may be directed to the Music Department ([music@muskingum.edu](mailto:music@muskingum.edu) or 740-826-8095). We are pleased that you are interested in joining us at Muskingum University. We look forward to meeting you and hearing you perform!

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