The music department’s mission is to provide students with a superior music education that will prepare them for meaningful careers in their chosen professions. As undergraduates, students may specialize in one of four options including performance, music business, sound recording technology and music studies, which leads to preparation for a teaching degree. The department has 12 full-time faculty members and 46 adjunct faculty members. Many of our faculty members are active musical performers and/or are involved in many different types of outside music organizations. Typical enrollment is approximately 325 undergraduate students and 30 graduate students. Durgin Hall, home to the department, contains a 1200-seat concert hall, a 175-seat recital hall, six sound recording studios of various types, a music technology laboratory containing 22 iMac computer workstations with MIDI keyboards and music editing software, ensemble rehearsal rooms, 30 practice rooms and numerous classroom spaces.

Come spend the day with us and see for yourself what Music at UMass Lowell can offer you!
The Schedule (tentative)

Thursday, Feb. 22
7:30am Check in
8:00am - 12:00pm Classes in your major interest OR Auditions
12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch
1:00pm - 2:00pm Recital Hour of student performances
2:00pm - 5pm Classes or ensembles OR Auditions
6:00pm - 7:00pm Dinner
8:00pm - 9:00pm Faculty/Student Concert
9:00pm Jam session in Durgin Lobby (all invited to join)

Friday, Feb. 23
7:30am Check in
8:00am - 12:00pm Classes in your major interest OR Auditions
12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch
1:00pm Jam session in the Durgin Lobby (all invited to join)
2:00pm - 5:00pm Classes or ensembles

Stay for the entire day or stay for a few hours. If you are auditioning on Friday, we hope you will consider coming for the concert on Thursday evening.

What to Bring:
Money for Lunch and Dinner
Your instrument to join in Concert Band or the Jam Sessions.

Where to Stay:
The Inn and Conference Center, 50 Warren St., Lowell offers a discount for guests visiting UMass Lowell. Ask us for more info.

About Our Programs

Music Business - The Music Business degree program combines extensive training in various aspects of the exciting and ever-changing music industry, with our innovative music performance curriculum. In courses taught by experienced industry professionals, students will focus on a variety of industry sectors such as management, marketing, entrepreneurship, publishing and licensing, record and concert promotion, new media, music products, and arts administration. Our program is designed to prepare students for successful professional careers, whether in long-established pathways, or by developing bold, new ideas and approaches to connecting music to audiences.

Music Studies (Education) - The Music Studies and Education programs at UMass Lowell are exciting, highly creative learning environments designed to help our students realize their full potential as teachers and leaders in their communities. We strive to create a learning environment in our programs that encourages active learning and engagement, one that models real-world activities. Since the application of knowledge involves ‘doing,’ our courses have been designed to maximize hands-on experiences, through problem solving activities, critical, creative and reflective thinking, in order to create a classroom environment supportive of the construction of knowledge, collaboration, and risk-taking.

Music Performance - UMass Lowell seeks to train music performers of the modern era who have developed a sense of personal entrepreneurship that can be applied within both traditional and newly emerging performance contexts. For students who seek careers as a modern day performing musician, UMass Lowell offers a Bachelor of Music in Music Performance in the instrumental or vocal area of their choice.

Sound Recording Technology - The program’s goal is to produce musically sophisticated and sensitive professionals who have sufficient technical knowledge to excel in today’s rapidly changing, technology-based production industry. Successful students’ understanding of the practical and theoretical aspects of the discipline, coupled with comprehensive music training, prepares them for a wide variety of professions. The program combines courses in physics, electrical engineering, computer science and advanced mathematics, with traditional studies in music and at least nine courses in the art and technology of recording.

Directions and Parking
Durgin Hall, 35 Wilder Street, Lowell, MA 01854
Parking will be available in the Riverview Lot on Broadway Street. More info will follow with your registration confirmation.

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