

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

**BACHELOR OF MUSIC**

**BACHELOR OF**

**MUSIC EDUCATION**

**BACHELOR OF**

**ARTS IN MUSIC**



## DEPARTMENTAL DESCRIPTION

The Department of Art, Music and Theatre Arts offers three programs: a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Music, Bachelor of Music degree, and a Bachelor of Music Education degree.

Cameron University is accredited by The National Association of Schools of Music (NASM).

At Cameron University, music majors learn how to think and read critically, and master a body of musical knowledge. Music majors also have the opportunity to integrate important computer technologies in the course of their studies including composition and recording software.

In addition, faculty members mentor students and encourage them to actively engage with peers, teachers, and the community beyond Cameron. Furthermore, students have the opportunity to develop self-confidence and professional experience by participating in a performance program. The Department of Art, Music and Theatre Arts features two performance facilities including a 125-seat recital hall and a 400-seat proscenium stage.

At the core of all programs are rigorous courses in theory and music history, linked with courses in keyboard skills designed to build students' grasp of musical structure and musicianship. In students' primary performance medium, our accomplished and dedicated faculty offer a mix of classroom interaction and individual instruction to develop true musicians.

## MAJOR DESCRIPTION

### The Bachelor of Arts in Music

The Bachelor of Arts degree in Music provides a program of study in the general principles of musicianship and performance for students who possess a love of music and will be involved in music throughout their lifetimes, but

wish to integrate their training with another field of study as their minor field.

### Bachelor of Music Education Degree

This professional degree with an emphasis in music education is designed for students who wish to pursue future careers in elementary or secondary music education. Students select an area of concentration (instrumental or vocal/keyboard). This degree will allow students to teach in Oklahoma public schools.

### Bachelor of Music

The Bachelor of Music degree requires extensive preparation in music and prepares students for professional careers as performers or composers. The program provides opportunities for additional course work in knowledge of music and musicianship and in private instruction in a primary performance medium.

## CONCENTRATIONS

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### Vocal, Instrumental, or Piano Performance

Additional class work includes language diction courses (vocal), counterpoint, arranging, a junior recital and pedagogy courses, along with a stronger emphasis in the major lesson field.

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### Composition

Additional class work includes computer music, counterpoint, arranging, composition lessons, and private lessons in a minor field.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The program at Cameron University emphasizes the development of musical knowledge and performance skills. Specifically, we are concerned with helping prepare music majors for professional careers as music educators, performers or composers, as well as providing non-majors the opportunity to become acquainted with or improve their skills and knowledge in music. The department provides courses that serve the needs of the general student, as well as students majoring in music.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

A variety of financial assistance packages are available to music majors and minors. The Department of Art, Music and Theatre Arts awards a number of academic scholarships, including the McMahon Scholarship, the Phillip S. & Aldine Cash Scholarship, the Marguirete Wilkinson Scholarship and the Adcock Award.

## PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

Music majors in their programs have the opportunity to perform in large ensembles such as concert choir, band and orchestra as well as smaller ensembles such as jazz ensemble, pep band, percussion ensemble, guitar ensemble, low brass ensemble, and chamber choir. Each year the department offers operatic performances and hosts the Country Jazz Fusion Festival, giving students an opportunity to perform with leading recording artists. In addition, the Department of Art, Music and Theatre Arts presents a full musical every year.

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