



## Career Opportunities

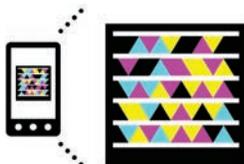
### Our recent graduates work as:

- Music teachers
- Professional performers in opera and musical theatre
- Church music directors
- Professional performers in military bands, orchestras and chamber groups
- Music store representatives
- Organists/pianists in churches
- Staff in museums and galleries
- Performers in jazz bands and ensembles
- Composers and arrangers

### Recent graduates have been accepted to:

- Conservatories
- Master's programs
- Doctoral programs

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## The University

The University of St. Thomas is truly a Shining Star in the heart of Houston.

- **The Newman Guide to Choosing a Catholic College:** Among 22 U.S. Catholic colleges and universities recommended by the Cardinal Newman Society, and among 28 such institutions worldwide
- **Range of choices:** Degree programs focused on business, sciences, liberal arts and education at the undergraduate and graduate levels
- **Specialty areas:** High acceptance rate in medical and dental schools for Pre-Med and Pre-Dental students
- **Personal instruction:** Average class size of 17
- **Personal approach:** Faculty know students by name
- **Nationally ranked:** Ranked 34th among universities offering master's degrees in the Western region by the *U.S. News & World Report* 2013 edition of "America's Best Colleges"
- **Nationally ranked:** Ranked by *The Princeton Review* as Best in the West in its Best Colleges: Region by Region online profile found at [www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com)
- **Study abroad:** The University of St. Thomas periodically ranks among the top 20% of U.S. universities whose students study abroad.
- **Catholic tradition:** Houston's only Catholic university, founded by the Basilian Fathers in 1947



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## Music



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# College Initiative Begins Here

## Music Enriches Your Life!

The Music Department at the University of St. Thomas offers a wide range of opportunities for students to master the principles, skills and techniques necessary to be successful in the performing arts. The music program at St. Thomas provides a competitive advantage to students as they seek entry into the larger cultural community. Music provides an outlet for students' creative and interpretive energies in their pursuits of a more meaningful appreciation of society and human spirit.

## Bachelor of Arts in Music

A Bachelor of Arts in music focuses in instrumental or vocal performance. A combination of the core curriculum and music courses prepares students for graduate school and professional performance after college. Required courses include music theory and history, private lessons and performance with large and chamber ensembles.

## Bachelor of Music Education

A Bachelor of Music Education prepares students to pass state certification for early childhood through 12th grade in choral and instrumental music. Students have active participation in teaching methods and techniques. Courses taken by Music Education students are similar to those seeking performance degrees, including the core curriculum, music theory and history, private lessons and music education courses. Students are required to participate in student teaching and education courses. They must also be familiar with all instrumental methods.

*"I plan on using my music degree to pursue a career in sound engineering. My music classes at St. Thomas have provided an in-depth background of music theory, performance and music history that I know will help me after graduation."*

Benjamin Hall, Senior



*"All of my music professors at the University of St. Thomas are very competent in their area of pedagogy. They can really teach students what it takes to be a professional musician. I appreciate that my teachers have challenged me in every aspect of music-making, and I know I've grown because of it."*

Meeka Opong, Senior

## Music Minor

Students may also pursue a music minor that requires 22 credits. The music minor is comprised of two theory and two history courses in addition to applied lessons and ensemble performance.

## Scholarships

Auditions are required for students to be considered for scholarships and other department-sponsored financial aid. Performance grants for non-majors are available depending on the needs of the performance groups. Academic standards must be upheld to maintain departmental grants and scholarships. Music scholarships may be renewed, but are subject to review by academic advisors annually.

## Master in Liberal Arts with Applied Music Concentration

The 36-credit-hour Master in Liberal Arts degree with a concentration in "Music Performance" combines coursework in liberal arts with traditional music courses in theory, history, applied lessons and performance. Graduates will have the knowledge and skills required to pursue a successful musical career.

## Auditions

Visit [www.stthom.edu/music](http://www.stthom.edu/music) or contact the Music Department for audition dates. Private auditions are also available upon request.

## Performing Groups

### Ensembles

University Singers  
Jazz Ensemble  
Symphony Orchestra  
Wind Ensemble

### Chamber Groups

Clarinet Ensemble  
Flute Choir  
String Ensemble  
Percussion Ensemble

Ensembles are open to all students regardless of major.

