Description of the Major:

The Department of Music believes music has intrinsic value as a vital and indispensable part of the human experience and nurtures the artistic and creative impulse common to all societies. Our student-centered learning community supports superior professional musical experiences and pedagogical training for students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree in music with three specialized options: Performance, Teacher Preparation (pre-certification) or General Studies. In addition, a variety of ensemble performance opportunities are available for students of any major, and three semesters of participation in Concert Choir, Symphonic Band and Jazz After Hours Big Band can be used to fulfill University core education requirements.

The Student Experience:

- Students who are pursuing teaching certification can enter the MAT program – a graduate option for students with a completed Bachelor of Arts degree in music with an emphasis in teacher preparation pre-certification.
- All majors participate in a variety of ensembles such as Concert Choir, Chamber Choir, Pop 101, Symphonic Band, Pep Band, Jazz After Hours, World Percussion, Guitar Ensemble, and other wind and percussion ensembles. Participation in the Concert Choir, Symphonic Band, and Jazz After Hours can be used to fulfill core requirements.
- The Spirit of the Chanticleer Marching Band is open to all majors and performs regularly at home and away football games, parades and festivals, and at high school marching band exhibitions.

Areas of Study:

Music history, music theory, aural skills, keyboard skills, conducting, music technology, recording technology, improvisation, commercial styles, literature, pedagogy and individual applied lessons.

Beyond the Classroom:

While some career opportunities for music majors will necessitate advanced education, career paths include: performance and professional artists, teaching, composition, editing and arranging music, arts administration, music publishing, broadcasting, recording and sound engineering, music therapy, and entertainment and media law.

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