

Music

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 in music with four specialized options: performance, teacher preparation (pre-certification), commercial music and jazz, 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 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 Chanticleer Regiment 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.



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√ Major

√ Minor

- Commercial Music and Jazz
- General Studies
- Performance
- Teacher Preparation

- Music majors are eligible for both the Visual and Performing Arts (VPA) Award and the Music Performance Award. The VPA Award is available to students who demonstrate outstanding abilities in music and academic achievement. Students must audition for consideration. Award recipients are recommended by the music department. For academic profiles of recent recipients, visit www.coastal.edu/meritawards/meritawardprofiles. The Music Performance Awards are competitive, nonacademic, awards determined by the music department following an audition. For more information on performance scholarships, visit www.coastal.edu/admissionsaid/scholarships/otherccus-scholarships.
- Auditions are required for entry into the degree program and for scholarship consideration.

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.

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.

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