

Music-Music Ministry Emphasis

The Bachelor of Science in Music with an emphasis in Music Ministry is designed for the musically talented student with a passion for worship-leading and church ministry. The B.S. in Music Ministry does not qualify the student to be certified to teach public school music. All students who plan to declare music as their major must submit a Music Audition Application and go through an audition process to be considered for acceptance into the music program.

What Type of Work are Related to this Degree?

- Church worship leader
- Ministry positions
- Audio visual technician
- Sound board operation
- Concert hall management or administration
- Music program coordination
- Concert promotion
- Music program coordination
- Music critic
- Artist representation
- Arts administration or management
- Promotion/media relations
- Music librarian

Who Employs People with this Degree?

- Churches and other ministries
- Private and community music centers (teaching)
- Orchestras, and choral groups
- Opera and theatre companies
- Military ensembles
- Recording studios
- Parks and recreation programs
- Nursing homes and hospitals
- Concert venues and performance halls
- Music-related publishers
- Entertainment law firms and businesses
- Music shops
- Theme parks and cruise ships

More information at ONETonline.org

General Strategies for Success:

- Be prepared to minister in other ways. Music ministry is often a part-time job unless the church is very large.
- Subscribe to ministry publications and join ministry associations.
- Obtain part-time, summer, internship or volunteer experience in churches as well as hospitals, camps, or overseas programs, or in advocacy or service-oriented programs where music is part of the programming. The more you understand about how music fits in the ministry, the better prepared you are.
- Serve as a peer mentor, resident assistant, or student advisor to cultivate leadership and program development skills.
- Develop competencies in business management, computers, marketing, or other areas to broaden range of employment possibilities.
- Learn to articulate the transferrable skills provided by your liberal arts education: organization, written and oral communication, problem solving, leadership, and so on.

Professional Associations

Worship Leader's Association
Worship Musician's Association
National Association of Church Musicians
American Federation of Musicians
CCM Magazine
American Musicological Society
Association of Performing Arts Presenters
Music Publishers Association
Worship Leader Magazine

This information represents possible occupations and strategies for careers with this major. As with any job or career, there may be additional qualifications or experience needed. For more information and options, make an appointment with Career & Leadership Development or check out our online resources on our website or on myUNW, Career & Leadership Development tab.