



Arizona State University (Tempe campus)

Music Therapy, BMUS

Study details

Course type: Bachelor's degree

Degree: Music Therapy, BMUS FAMUSTHBM

Study mode: Full time

Duration: 48 Month

Cost of study

Cost : 35 430 USD

Reg. fee : 85 USD

Scholarship :

Insurance : 2 765 USD

Intake/s

Jan/May/Aug

Requirements

Academic requirements

First-year students must:

- Have a 3.00 grade point average (GPA) (a "B" or better where "A"=4.00) from a secondary school. Some ASU programs may have higher admission or English proficiency requirements and may consider a minimum ACT or SAT score.
- Must have three years of high school coursework. (If you are currently in high school, ASU needs to see 9–11 grade coursework. If you have completed high school, ASU needs to see 10–12 grade coursework.)
- Must have and present a completed high school diploma or certificate.

Conditional admission

ASU may offer conditional undergraduate admission to international applicants to an on-campus program who meet the academic (aptitude) requirements but who are not proficient in English. This offer of conditional admission will give you time to improve your English proficiency before you start classes at ASU. Your conditional admission offer is good for up to three semesters, during which time you must meet one of these requirements to begin your ASU experience.

Competency requirements

International students who completed high school outside the U.S. are required to meet the following competency requirements:

- Math: four years (algebra I, geometry, algebra II and one course requiring algebra II as a prerequisite).

- Laboratory science: three years total (one year each from any of the following areas are accepted: biology, chemistry, earth science, integrated sciences and physics).

Provide evidence of English language proficiency (TOEFL 61)

Additional requirements:

Important: Applicants must submit an ASU application for undergraduate admission in addition to a separate School of Music, Dance and Theatre application. Admission to the School of Music, Dance and Theatre is based on an audition. Auditions take place in November (spring admission) and in January and February (fall admission) of each year.

Admission to the music program is highly selective and based on an audition process. Students are admitted as music audition students and must successfully complete the audition before enrolling in music major courses. Upon admission to both ASU and the School of Music, Dance and Theatre, the applicant's major is changed to music. If a student is admitted to ASU but not to the School of Music, Dance and Theatre or misses the audition deadline, the student will remain a music audition major and must successfully pass the music audition milestone in the first semester to gain admission into the program.

Application deadlines: Students should review the complete music deadline information.

Spring admission: The deadline to apply for admission to this program is October 15.

Fall admission: The deadline to apply for admission to this program is January 5.

Accommodation

Provided by partner agencies

Speciality

Transfer admission requirements:

Transfer applicants: Transfer of courses from other accredited institutions is subject to the existence of parallel and equal courses in the college's curriculum and to departmental or school evaluation of studio and class piano courses with respect to performance standards.

Every candidate for the bachelor's degree must earn a minimum of 30 hours in resident credit at ASU. Transfer students enrolled in the institute must complete a minimum of 15 resident credit hours in the major as approved by the faculty.

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Additional information

Program description

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The BMus program in music therapy prepares students for a career in health care, community-based and special education settings. Music therapy majors learn to use carefully planned music interventions to achieve desired changes in a client's individualized behavior and functioning.

Music therapy is a profession in which engagement and receptive or active music-making help a client achieve individual therapeutic goals. Music therapy students develop a wide range of musical, verbal and nonverbal skills through the program's many opportunities to work in clinical settings. Students also study:

- human anatomy
- musical improvisation
- popular music styles
- psychology
- songwriting
- special education
- world music

Concurrent program options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a “double major”) earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Program learning outcomes

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Apply competent music foundation skills across their secondary instruments of voice, piano, and guitar.
- Apply basic knowledge of the causes, symptoms of, and basic terminology used in medical, mental health, and educational settings to the implementation of therapeutic interventions.
- Write research papers applying the conventions of scholarly discourse in music.

Global opportunities

Global experience

With more than 300 Global Education program opportunities available to them, music therapy students are able to tailor their experience to their unique interests and skill sets. Whether in a foreign country, in the U.S. or online, students build communication skills, learn to adapt and persevere, and are exposed to research and internships across the world, increasing their professional network.

Career opportunities

Graduates are eligible to sit for the music therapy certification examination given by the Certification Board for Music Therapists.

Positions are available regionally and nationally in hospitals, schools, rehabilitation centers, nursing homes and other health care facilities. Graduates are prepared to work in the fields of community music therapy and wellness, geriatric care, mental health, physical rehabilitation, and special education, or within veteran and military populations.

A music therapy career may also provide an opportunity for private practice with flexible hours.