

Welcome! 🖐️

Hi everyone! My name is **Jennifer**, and I'm the **Manager of Operations and Undergraduate Recruitment** for the **Department of Music**.

I'm so excited to share what makes **CWRU** an incredible place to study music.

Meet Our Faculty & Students 👥

Before we dive in, I'd love to introduce some of the amazing people who make our program so special!

We have **faculty and current students** with us today, and they'll each take a moment to introduce themselves and share:

- ✓ What brought them to CWRU
- ✓ What they love about our program and value the most
- ✓ The opportunities and experiences that they've had here

(Introduce faculty and students—allow them to briefly share their stories.)

Now, let's talk about why **CWRU could be the perfect place for you!**

At CWRU, we offer a flexible, supportive, and exceptional music experience—whether you want to major, double major, earn a dual degree, or simply keep music in your life. Here's what makes our program stand out:

1. Personalized Attention & Inspiring Faculty

Enjoy small class sizes, hands-on mentorship, and access to faculty who are active performers, scholars, and educators.

At CWRU, you'll be part of a **supportive musical community** where faculty truly care about your growth—both as a musician and as a person.

- ✓ **Small class sizes** = more **personalized attention** and meaningful connections
- ✓ **Learn from world-class faculty** who are **active performers, scholars, and educators**, bringing real-world experience into the classroom
- ✓ **One-on-one advising and mentorship** to help you navigate your academic and professional journey
- ✓ **Opportunities to collaborate** with faculty on **research and creative projects**

🎵 **Here, you're more than just a student**—you'll build lasting connections with professors who support, challenge, and inspire you to reach your full potential!

2. Joint Music Program with CIM

Study alongside conservatory students and access world-class training through our unique partnership with the Cleveland Institute of Music.

One of the most **amazing** things about our program is our **unique partnership with the Cleveland Institute of Music (CIM)**.

🎵 **You'll study alongside conservatory students and have access to incredible resources from both institutions!**

To tell you more about the **Joint Music Program**, I'd like to introduce **Dr. Sean Schulze**, who will share what makes this partnership so special and how it benefits our students.

(Hand off to Dr. Schulze)

3. Flexible & Customizable Degree Options

Pursue a BA in Music, a BS in Music Education, or a Music Minor—all while exploring other academic interests.

At CWRU, **your music journey is yours to shape!** Whether you're considering a **major, double major/dual degree, or just want to keep music in your life** during college, we've got options to fit your goals.

✓ **BA in Music** → Perfect for students who want to **double major** or even pursue a **dual degree** (combine music with **engineering, mathematics, biology, business, psychology, computer science—you name it!**) and still graduate in **four years**.

✓ **BS in Music Education** → A **fully accredited program** with **real-world classroom teaching experience**, preparing you for **licensure and a career in music education**.

✓ **Not majoring in music?** Add a **Music Minor**—no audition required!

🎵 **No matter your path**, we make it possible to integrate music into your college experience!

4. Performance & Ensembles 🎵

Join orchestras, bands, choirs, jazz ensembles, and chamber groups—open to all students regardless of major. Auditions take place during the first week of the fall semester.

Love to perform? We've got you covered! Whether you want to **challenge yourself at a high level** or just **keep playing for fun**, there's a place for you!

- ✓ **Orchestras, bands, choirs, jazz ensembles, and chamber groups** for all experience levels
- ✓ **Open to ALL students**, regardless of major—**anyone** can keep making music!
- ✓ **Auditions take place the first week** of the fall semester
- ✓ **We provide specialty instruments** (like bassoons and tubas) and **locker storage** for your convenience
- ✓ Perform in **stunning venues** like the **Maltz Performing Arts Center** and **historic Harkness Chapel**

🎵 **No matter your major**, background, or experience level, you'll find a welcoming musical community here!

5. Where You'll Study – Cleveland's University Circle 🗺️

Study in University Circle, just steps away from Severance Hall, Maltz Performing Arts Center, museums and galleries, and other cultural institutions. Music majors enjoy FREE season passes to [The Cleveland Orchestra](#)!

We're located in one of the **most vibrant arts and cultural neighborhoods in the country**—just steps away from world-class cultural institutions:

🏛️ **The Cleveland Orchestra** (*music majors enjoy free season tickets*)

🖼️ **The Cleveland Museum of Art, Museum of Natural History, Botanical Gardens, and more!**

📍 **Where you'll study and perform:**

- ✓ **Mather Quad** – Home to **Haydn Hall and Harkness Chapel**, where many music classes, rehearsals, and performances take place.
 - ✓ **Denison Hall** – Located near **North Residential Village**, featuring practice spaces, instrument storage, and ensemble rehearsal rooms.
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6. Career Readiness & Graduate Success 🎓

Our students go on to top graduate programs, conservatories, and careers in music, engineering, medicine, law, technology, arts administration, and more. (Nicholas Taylor)

What happens after graduation? A lot! CWRU music students **graduate prepared** for successful careers and advanced study in a variety of fields.

- ✓ **Accepted into top graduate programs & conservatories**
- ✓ **Careers in music education, performance, arts management, and more**
- ✓ **Many students pursue careers beyond music** in fields like **medicine, law, technology, and business**
- ✓ **Some graduates continue research** in **music and interdisciplinary fields**:
 - **Music cognition & neuroscience** (combining music with psychology and brain science)
 - **Engineering & acoustics** (applying music to hearing technology and instrument and sound design)
 - **Music therapy** (using music in clinical and mental health settings)
 - **Arts administration & cultural policy** (leading arts organizations and advocating for the arts)

🎵 **CWRU students** leave with the skills, experience, and connections to excel in music—or wherever their passions take them!

[Featured Alumni Endeavors](#)

7. Scholarships & Financial Support 💰

We believe **financial support should never be a barrier to studying music** at CWRU. That's why we offer **generous scholarship opportunities** to help make your education more affordable!

- ✓ **Competitive performance-based scholarships** available for first-year applicants
- ✓ **Performing Arts Scholarship** → Covers **full tuition for music majors!**
- ✓ **Arts Achievement Award** → Provides **\$10K annually** for excellence in music (by audition), regardless of their intended major

🎵 **High school juniors:** Be sure to **submit the Music Arts Supplement** with your university application to be considered for these amazing opportunities!

Admissions

[Apply & Audition](#)

** Only present this section if there are HS Juniors in the session.

Why Choose CWRU? 🎵

CWRU offers a **one-of-a-kind music experience** where you can **pursue your passion, customize your path, and prepare for a successful future**—all while being part of a **vibrant arts community!**

- ✓ 🎸 **The Joint Music Program with CIM** – Blends conservatory-level training with a liberal arts education at a top research university
- ✓ 🎓 **Flexible Degree Options** – Double major, dual degree, or minor in music—your choice!
- ✓ 🎺 **Outstanding Ensembles & Performance Opportunities** – Open to all students, with access to top-tier venues
- ✓ 🏛️ **Incredible Location** – Study in University Circle, surrounded by world-class arts and culture
- ✓ 💰 **Scholarships & Financial Support** – Generous funding opportunities, including full-tuition scholarships
- ✓ 👩 **Personalized Attention & Inspiring Faculty** – Small classes, hands-on mentorship, and faculty who care
- ✓ 🎯 **Career-Ready Graduates** – Alumni succeed in music and beyond, from top conservatories to careers in medicine, law, and research

🎵 **At CWRU, you'll find a place where you can thrive—musically, academically, and professionally!**

Questions?