

What you can do with your **MUSIC MAJOR**



Music Major Skills:



Communication & Collaboration

You develop your ability to work in multiple settings, sharing decision-making and accountability. You articulate complex ideas and concepts verbally, in writing, and in teams.



Problem Solving

You analyze scores and performances to understand how they are constructed and can be improved. You respond to challenges with flexibility and shared commitment to successful outcomes.



Performance

You develop the time management, planning, and multitasking skills to collaborate during rehearsal and performance in order to perform in front of audiences with advanced artistic proficiency.



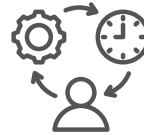
Research

You engage in independent learning through reading, research, and exploration. You understand, apply and synthesize foundational concepts of musical theory, history and pedagogy, and integrate knowledge across multiple domains.



Creative Thinking & Expression

You think critically, innovate, and improvise. You challenge boundaries and assumptions and push the evolution of the expressive form.



Discipline & Work Ethic

You show resilience and build skills over time by overcoming adversity. You are able to accept criticism constructively and take guidance to improve.

Supplement Your Skills With:



Global & Intercultural Experiences



Leadership On & Off Campus



Experience Fostering Professional Equity & Inclusion



Gain Experience through Internships & Part-Time Work

Chart Your Path Forward

Activate Your Handshake Account

for connections to jobs, internships, employer & alumni networking.

Explore Career Communities

to discover a wide variety of fields where you can turn your major into success.

Get Career & Internship Advising

from SuccessWorks to make a plan, whether you're a first-year student or about to graduate.

Get Started: successworks.wisc.edu

Put your Music major to **WORK**

Sample Job Titles of Alumni:

- Business Owner
- Music Director
- Professor
- Teacher/Instructor
- Project Manager
- Choir/Orchestra Director
- President
- Musician
- Executive Director
- Production Assistant

Sample Employers of Alumni:

- 22Thirty9
- 3W Media Co.
- Acting Out Chicago
- Alverno College
- American Family Insurance
- Apple
- Boston University
- Carroll University
- Edward Jones
- Epic
- Fairview Health Services
- Foley & Lardner LLP
- Full Compass Systems
- Heid Music
- Madison Metropolitan School District
- Madison Symphony Orchestra
- Optum
- Overture Center for the Arts
- Self-Employed/Freelance
- University of Wisconsin



Recent Grads' Career Plans:

- 62%** Employment
- 38%** Continuing Education or Grad School

Industry of Employment:

1. Education
2. Arts & Entertainment
3. Research
4. Information Technology
5. Life Sciences
6. Legal Services
7. Government
8. Healthcare

Where Alumni Live & Work:

- 33%** Wisconsin →
- 10%** California →
- 7%** New York →
- 7%** Illinois →
- 6%** Minnesota →
- 37%** Other →



“At UW-Madison, I gained invaluable access to world-class artists and built meaningful connections with industry professionals. Through a diverse array of music courses, I deepened my passion and understanding of classical music—a foundation that remains indispensable in my career in artistic planning.”

Hinano Price, 2015
Artistic Producer, Ravinia Festival
Highland Park, Illinois



“The most important music skill that I bring to bear in my work how to practice. I may have learned to practice on a tuba, but the idea can be generalized to practice anything and lots of the same dynamics are relevant to engineering.”

Matt Muszynski, 2007
Planning & Execution Systems Engineer
NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
Pasadena, California

Career Communities for Music Majors

SuccessWorks has eight Career Communities to connect you with career advising, resources and programs. Here are a few suggestions on where Music majors can start.

- **Communications, Entertainment & the Arts**
- **L&S Business & Entrepreneurship**
- **Government, Policy, International Affairs & Law**
- **Non-Profit Management & Education**

Not inspired by these options? Visit SuccessWorks to explore more widely.

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