# Department of Music

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# Introduction

Founded in 1946, the Department of Music is the most prestigious music education institute in Taiwan, which offers complete musical education from the undergraduate, master and to doctoral programs. The faculty, composed of internationally celebrated artists, performers, composers, musicologists and music educators is dedicated to cultivate professional musicians through individual mentoring, aesthetic education, and humanity formation. The department also establishes a track for music educators, which aims at preparing music teachers for high schools in Taiwan. The undergraduate confers B.M. degree for majors in piano, vocal, strings, winds, brass, percussion, traditional Chinese instruments and composition and the master's program confers M.M. degree for majors in musicology, music education, performance, composition, conducting and interdisciplinary studies in music and technology. The doctoral program confers Ph.D. in musicology and music education and D.M.A. in performance, composition and conducting. Students come from all over Taiwan and overseas Chinese students from

around the world and all of them are young musicians with great potentials and talents. We welcome international students who can contribute to the diversity with their different cultural backgrounds. The department has state-of-the-art facilities houses a rich collection on books, music scores and audiovisual resources.



# **Instructional Objectives**

- Cultivation of professional musicians in performance, education, creation and research.
- Opportunities given for academic exchange with international perspectives.
- Assistance in creating a variety of performing events.

# Degree Requirements

Course structure for Undergraduate, M.A. and Ph.D. programs is constantly updated on the official website of the department. The undergraduate program requires a completion of 128 credits which includes 32 credits of general courses, 60 to 72 credits of department courses and other credits from elective courses. The M.A. program requires a completion of 32 credits and a thesis with an oral defense. D.M.A. or Ph.D. programs require a completion of 30 credits and a dissertation with an oral defense.

# Feature of the Curriculum

The department offers a variety of courses for professional music training, including Music History, Harmony, Fundamental Theory and more. A variety of courses for Applied Music such as Digital Sound Recording, Computer Music, Popular Music, Seminar in Musical Arts, etc. is also provided. The following courses are given in English and highly recommended for foreign students:

Course Name	Credit	Offered by	Instructor
History of Western Music (I),(II)	2	Department of Music	Nathan Seinen
Music Analysis	2	Department of Music	Chao, Ching- Wen
Directed Practice in Opera	2	Department of Music	Lin, Meng- Chun



# **Career Prospects**

Our department actively provides opportunities for students to explore career possibilities:

- Professional Performer / Theorist / Composer
- Music Educator / Instructor / Researcher
- Continuing research in academics in domestic or foreign institutes
- Music Administrator / Coordinator
- Working for other fields with musicianship / Cross-domain projects



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