

Music

MAJOR @ VITERBO UNIVERSITY



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Overview

The music department prepares vocal and piano students for professional careers in teaching and performing, provides opportunities for the general student to engage in artistic experiences, and encourages students to influence the musical lives of the communities in which they serve.

Why Viterbo?

The Viterbo University music program features:

- dedicated artist-faculty with extensive professional experience.
- two dedicated full-time vocal coaches/accompanists.
- first-rate teaching, practicing, performing, and recording facilities.
- full-scale productions of operas, oratorios, and musicals.
- alumni accepted into top graduate music programs.
- accreditation by National Association of Schools of Music for over 50 years.
- newly restored Steinway grand pianos.
- nationally acclaimed visiting artists.
- high job placement rate in music education.
- talent scholarships for music majors.
- four choral ensembles that tour regionally, nationally, and internationally.

Career Options

- choral director
- classroom music teacher
- freelance accompanist
- pursuing a graduate degree
- independent music teacher
- music studio owner
- professional church musician
- soloist with opera companies, oratorio societies, professional choirs, and chamber music groups

Features of the Curriculum

Bachelor of Music degree offered in music education (K–12 general and 6–12 choral) and music performance (emphases in piano and/or piano pedagogy, voice and/or vocal pedagogy). A Bachelor of Arts degree in music and minors in music and sacred music are also offered.

For More Information www.viterbo.edu/music

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Music Major Auditions

Prospective music majors are required to complete an audition for the music faculty. Acceptance to the program also requires acceptance to Viterbo through the admission office. Students auditioning for the music program are required to:

- perform two contrasting pieces on voice or piano, preferably from memory.
- sight sing, match pitches, and sight read at the piano.
- submit a professional resume and a letter of recommendation from a music teacher.
- complete an informal interview with the faculty.

Audition Dates for 2012

Music auditions will be held on the dates below. Prospective students who are not available to audition on any of these dates may request another date by special arrangement. To schedule an audition, contact Sue Hauser, administrative assistant, 608-796-3760 or skhauser@viterbo.edu.

Saturday, Jan. 28

Friday, Feb. 17

Saturday, Feb. 25

Music Talent Scholarships

The music department awards seven music talent scholarships to incoming freshman music majors on the basis of the music auditions. Each scholarship is in the amount of \$1,000 and is renewable each year the student enrolls as a music major. Prospective students who audition by March 15 are given priority scholarship consideration. Those who audition after March 15 may be eligible to receive scholarships that have not yet been awarded.



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