

# School of Music

## Departmental Honors Program

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The School of Music Departmental Honors Program recognizes students with high scholastic and artistic achievement. An Honors Thesis or Creative Project is required to receive the Honors designation.

Undergraduate students who wish to participate in the School of Music Departmental Honors Program must have a minimum GPA of 3.6 in all music courses (i.e. MMP, MUHI, MUSC, MUSE, MUSP, and MUST) and an overall GPA of no less than 3.25 at the time of application. Students may not apply until they have achieved Junior Standing on their primary instrument.

### ***Special Considerations and Restrictions:***

1. Each student who is accepted into the School of Music Departmental Honors Program must identify a faculty advisor who will serve as the student's mentor and guide him or her through the completion of the Honors Thesis or Creative Project.
2. To earn the School of Music Departmental Honors distinction, the student must complete the Honors Thesis or Creative Project and maintain the minimum GPA of 3.6 in all music courses (i.e. MMP, MUHI, MUSC, MUSE, MUSP, and MUST) and an overall GPA of no less than 3.25.
3. Honors Theses and Creative Projects may explore any topic related to music theory and composition, music history, music education, music performance, and/or music media production and must be approved by the faculty advisor and Coordinator of Undergraduate Programs in Music. Honors Theses and Creative Projects may not be part of, but in addition to a student's program requirements.
4. All Creative Projects (e.g. a performance recital) must include a significant written component. Written components may include, but should not be limited to, detailed program notes, a theoretical or historical analysis of repertoire, a process analysis essay, or a statement of reflection.
5. It is the student's responsibility to complete appropriate forms, secure required signatures, and submit all forms to the Office of Undergraduate Programs in Music. Completed paper work in good order will be forwarded to the Honors College for processing.
6. Information for both students and advisors regarding all aspects of the Honors Thesis or Creative Project can be found in *The Senior Honors Thesis (HONR 499): The Official Guide* provided by the Honors College.

Students who complete the School of Music Departmental Honors Program requirements will earn the designation "School of Music Honors" on their official university records and receive a pink (music) cord to wear during Commencement as a symbol of their achievement. This recognition will be reflected in the School records and can be included in the Commencement Program if submission deadlines are met.

SCHOOL OF MUSIC DEPARTMENTAL HONORS PROGRAM  
APPLICATION FORM

*(to be filed with the School of Music)*

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Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Current Standing (circle one): Junior Senior

Major/Minor: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Instrument/Voice: \_\_\_\_\_

✓ Check the appropriate item:

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I have achieved Junior Standing on my primary instrument/voice

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I have not achieved Junior Standing on my primary instrument/voice

Current Overall GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Music GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you discussed your creative project and/or thesis with a faculty member, and has he or she agreed to serve as your mentor and guide you through the completion of your creative project and/or thesis?

YES NO

In the space below, provide a brief description of your creative project and/or thesis (including when you anticipate it will be completed and what will serve as the significant writing component):

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor/Mentor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Undergraduate Coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENTAL HONORS REGISTRATION FORM

(to be filed with the Honors College)

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Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Term: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Honors College Student? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Department Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

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GPA Required: Cumulative = 3.25; Major = 3.60      GPA Final: Cumulative = \_\_\_\_\_; Major = \_\_\_\_\_

Thesis: Required? \_\_\_\_\_ Proposal? \_\_\_\_\_      Course: \_\_\_\_\_ Received? \_\_\_\_\_ Approved? \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Review: Courses \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Thesis \_\_\_\_\_ Approved by department rep? \_\_\_\_\_

Notifications: Commencement/President \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate \_\_\_\_\_ Transcript \_\_\_\_\_