

# YOUR Major Action Plan: Music Performance



What is YOUR passion?		1st YEAR	2nd YEAR
Production recording studios Public libraries	YOUR Target Courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete at least 30 credit hours, including MUSIs 1100,1116,1117,1311 and1312.</li> <li>- See Faculty Academic Advisor to discuss your desired major and concentration and course options; including MUEN and MUAP offerings.*, Grade Point Average (GPA) requirements, <a href="#">Academic Advising Guide</a>, and file your degree plan.</li> <li>*Interested in foreign languages? Consider the Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) track and complete Foreign Language requirements.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete at least 30 credit hours, including MUSIs 2116,2117,2311,2312 and MUAP 2232.</li> <li>*B.A. track will also need to continue with the Foreign Language requirements.</li> </ul>
Radio, television, & motion picture studios Musical theaters Symphony orchestras Conservatories Public & private schools Colleges & conservatories Record companies Publishers Production companies	Find YOUR Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All Music disciplines should consider membership in various Greek organizations, namely Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Mu Phi Epsilon, Tau Beta Sigma, and Kappa Kappa Psi.</li> <li>- Piano disciplines should consider membership in the local chapter of Music Teachers National Association.</li> <li>- Instrumental majors should participate in Jazz Ensemble I or II, Wind Ensemble, and/or Marching Band.</li> <li>- Vocal majors should participate in Chamber Choir, Women's Choir, Men's Chorus, Troubadours, University Singers, and/or Opera Workshop.</li> <li>- Undecided about your major? Want to learn more about different career options? Take advantage of <a href="#">career counseling and career assessments</a> through Career Services.</li> <li>- Explore student groups and organizations in your major or area of interests through <a href="#">TexanSync</a>.</li> <li>- Attend <a href="#">Study Skills</a> sessions for additional assistance with acclimating the first year.</li> <li>- Know the <a href="#">FAFSA deadlines</a> each year.</li> <li>- Seek help from <a href="#">Student Counseling Center</a> for home sickness, depression or other issues.</li> <li>- Feeling ill? Visit <a href="#">Student Health Services</a> for physical health related concerns.</li> <li>- Attend or use <a href="#">Academic Resource Center Coaching</a>, <a href="#">Math Clinic</a>, <a href="#">tutoring options</a>, and <a href="#">Writing Center</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Explore available <a href="#">Applied Learning Experiences (ALE)</a> such as internships, research, study abroad, service learning or leadership experiences.</li> <li>- All Music disciplines should consider membership in various Greek organizations, namely Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Mu Phi Epsilon, Tau Beta Sigma, and Kappa Kappa Psi.</li> <li>- Piano disciplines should consider membership in the local chapter of Music Teachers National Association.</li> <li>- Instrumental majors should participate in Jazz Ensemble I or II, Wind Ensemble, and/or Marching Band.</li> <li>- Vocal majors should participate in Chamber Choir, Women's Choir, Men's Chorus, Troubadours, University Singers, and/or Opera Workshop.</li> </ul>
Ballets Special education facilities Nursing homes Correctional facilities Public libraries	Sharpen YOUR Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Schedule a meeting with a department representative to explore study away and study abroad experiences and department-sponsored service learning projects offered by the Department of Communication Studies.</li> <li>- Start researching the <a href="#">marketable skills</a> that employers are seeking.</li> <li>- Get involved in <a href="#">Service Day</a>.</li> <li>- Apply to be a <a href="#">Residential Leader (RL)</a> or Tarleton Transition Mentor (TTM).</li> <li>- Run for <a href="#">Freshman Representative Council</a> with SGA (Student Government Association).</li> <li>- Look into <a href="#">Greek Organizations</a> to network and build community.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Seek out volunteer opportunities in your area through <a href="#">Volunteer Match</a> or <a href="#">United Way</a> to give back to the community and build marketable skills for future employment.</li> <li>- Attend events offered by <a href="#">The Office of Diversity and Inclusion</a> and the <a href="#">Fine Arts Center</a> for cultural and diversity awareness.</li> </ul>
Hospitals	YOUR Next Steps	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Check out part-time jobs in <a href="#">Career Services employment system</a> to gain work skills to begin building your resume.</li> <li>- Attend <a href="#">job and graduate school fairs</a> to explore possible future opportunities. Make a <a href="#">good first impression with your attire</a>.</li> <li>- Investigate the type of lifestyle, salary and occupation you would like to have through Texas <a href="#">Reality Check</a> tool (powered by Texas Workforce Commission).</li> <li>- Learn more about your student loan debt, budgeting and much more through <a href="#">SALT</a>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Explore <a href="#">career opportunities</a> within your major.</li> <li>- Ask <a href="#">Career Services</a> how to conduct a job shadow.</li> <li>- Convert your high school resume into a pre-professional <a href="#">resume</a>.</li> <li>- Get to know your instructors to establish professional references and explore research opportunities.</li> <li>- Create your online portfolio through <a href="#">PortfolioM</a>. Not sure what to put in it? Contact Career Services.</li> </ul>

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What is YOUR passion?	3rd YEAR	4th YEAR
Virtual reality sound environments	<p><b>YOUR Target Courses</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete at least 30 credit hours, including MUSI 4248 and MUAPs 3231/3232.*</li> <li>- If your goal is to be a public school teacher, you will need to see your academic advisor to begin preparing for your <u>Educator Preparation</u> courses after you have completed 60 hours.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete remaining credit hours and MUSI 4133 and MUEN 4121.</li> <li>- If your goal is to be a public school teacher, work closely with your academic advisor and Education Preparation Services to prepare for your clinical teaching experience.</li> </ul>
Music shops  Record stores  Instrument manufacturers  Music-related publications  Entertainment law firms  Magazines & newspapers	<p><b>Find YOUR Way</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Visit with a faculty advisor/mentor within your area of interest to explore student opportunities specific to your major.</li> <li>- Conduct informational interviews and talk to professionals working in your fields of interest.</li> <li>- Piano disciplines should consider membership in the local chapter of Music Teachers National Association.</li> <li>- Instrumental majors should participate in Jazz Ensemble I or II, Wind Ensemble, and/or Marching Band.</li> <li>- Vocal majors should participate in Chamber Choir, Women's Choir, Men's Chorus, Troubadours, University Singers, and/or Opera Workshop.</li> <li>- Take part in the <u>Official Ring Ceremony</u>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Music Business majors need to complete an internship the summer prior to Senior year.</li> <li>- All Music disciplines should consider membership in various Greek organizations, namely Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Mu Phi Epsilon, Tau Beta Sigma, and Kappa Kappa Psi.</li> <li>- Piano disciplines should consider membership in the local chapter of Music Teachers National Association.</li> <li>- Instrumental majors should participate in Jazz Ensemble I or II, Wind Ensemble, and/or Marching Band.</li> <li>- Vocal majors should participate in Chamber Choir, Women's Choir, Men's Chorus, Troubadours, University Singers, and/or Opera Workshop.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Sharpen YOUR Skills</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Consider taking on leadership roles within your student organizations and clubs..</li> <li>- Explore volunteer opportunities in your area through <u>All For Good</u>.</li> <li>- Need to get more experience and skills? Check out <u>CareerOneStop.Org</u> sponsored by the US Department of Labor.</li> <li>- Continue to develop computer and job-related skills, and knowledge of the workplace.</li> <li>- Become an <u>Academic Resource Center- Coach Leader</u> (ARC-C Leader)</li> <li>- Explore internship opportunities with a faculty mentor or advisor for your concentration area.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Participate in an internship with the direction of your faculty mentor or advisor. Suggested resources for internships can be found in the <u>Career Service's employment system</u> or the <u>College Internship Program's website</u>.</li> </ul>
Explore more occupations and occupation groups through the <u>Occupational Outlook Handbook</u> powered by the Bureau of Labor and Statistics.	<p><b>YOUR Next Steps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Meet with a Career Services staff member to plan your <u>job-search campaign</u>, schedule <u>mock interviews</u>, resume critiques, and a <u>Business Etiquette Dinner</u>.</li> <li>- Create a <u>LinkedIn</u> profile to further your professional networking.</li> <li>- Check the <u>Career Services calendar</u> for career development workshops.</li> <li>- Seek out an internship at any of the Career Services <u>job fairs</u>.</li> <li>- Investigate graduate schools and attend the Open House for <u>TSU College of Graduate Studies</u>.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>File for GRADUATION!</u></li> <li>- Update your resume in <u>Career Service's employment system</u>, <u>Portfolium</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>.</li> <li>- Research potential employers, seek out networking opportunities, apply for available positions, and prepare for potential interviews.</li> <li>- Attend <u>job fairs</u> and <u>dress professionally</u>.</li> <li>- Consider and review various job offers, if necessary, review information needed to <u>negotiate a salary</u>.</li> <li>- Graduate! Congratulations!</li> <li>- Join the <u>Tarleton Alumni Association</u> to stay connected to the University. <b>BLEED PURPLE!</b></li> </ul>