

Western Music

Don Wright Faculty of Music



Music Viewbook | 2018

Why I chose Western Music



“I have always had a passion for music and business and the Don Wright Faculty of Music offers the perfect program to fulfill both of my academic goals. I am honoured to be given the opportunity to attend both the Don Wright Faculty of Music and the Ivey Business School. The endlessly helpful and enthusiastic faculty was a bonus to my commitment to the program.”
- SAMANTHA LANOOY, BMus Year III (Music & Ivey)

“I came to Western eager to learn and develop as a musician as well as a music educator. I quickly realized that the faculty is bursting with learning opportunities. My experiences inside and outside the classroom have been invaluable to my professional development. It is a true joy to learn in such a professional, yet supportive environment.”
- JULIANNE BREEN, BMus Year III



“From all the schools I looked at, Western caught my attention the most, not just because of the faculty and campus they promoted, but the attitude. I knew that this school had the right mindset and was the optimal choice for anyone aspiring to become a music educator.”
JERRY ZHONG, BMus Year IV

People

- Strong sense of community among students, faculty and staff
- Strength of **one-on-one** teaching and mentoring
- Beautiful campus
- **Guaranteed residence** for all incoming first-year students
- Student peer-mentoring program



Programs

- Housed in a **new Music Building** that is one of the best facilities in Canada
- Breadth and depth of **traditional programs** as well as **new and innovative degrees** and courses
- Students experience a strong balance between **performance** and **academic** training
- One of the **top music** programs in Canada
- Extensive **performing** opportunities
- **Combined degrees** with the **Ivey Business School**
- Undergraduate majors in **Popular Music Studies** and **Music Administrative Studies**
- Collaborative **Music Recording Arts** program with Fanshawe College
- 400+ events per year that include performances, masterclasses and lectures
- Summer-based programs across disciplines such as **Opera** and **Music Education**
- Numerous extracurricular **teaching opportunities** with young and senior students
- **International** study opportunities



Possibilities

- Our graduates have engaged in **diverse employment opportunities** as a result of the **skills and discipline gained** by their musical studies
- Our alumni are prepared for careers in the 21st century “After performing in front of thousands of people, presenting to a board of six in the financial world is easy.”





Scholarships and Financial Support

Incoming Undergraduate Students

Unlimited and automatic Western Admission Scholarships for Canadian citizens and permanent residents based on admission average.

Continuing Admissions Scholarship

- Average of 90%+
- Value: \$10,000 (\$2,500/year for 4 years)
- *There are a limited number based on academic standing and audition (Bachelor of Music only)*

Western Scholarship of Excellence

- Average of 90%+
- Value: \$2,000 for 1 year
- *There are an unlimited number of these scholarships.*

Western Scholarship of Distinction

- Average of 88 - 89.9%
- Value: \$1,000 for 1 year
- *There are an unlimited number of these scholarships.*

National Scholarship Program

- Minimum academic average of 90%
- Canadian citizen or permanent resident
- Deadline is February 14
- Visit the Registrar's Office for more information

Other Entrance Awards

Based on live audition.

Transfer Students

Admission Scholarships are automatically awarded to 10 students transferring into an upper year of any undergraduate program at Western from another post-secondary institution, based on final admission average.

International Students

In addition to the unlimited Western Admission Scholarships above, there are admission scholarships specifically for international students beginning full-time first-year studies at Western's main campus. These international student scholarships can be awarded in combination with a Western Admission Scholarship or may replace a Western Admission Scholarship.

How to be considered:

Submit a complete admission application through the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC). All supporting documentation must be received by Western by March 15. Recipient selection will be made from the eligible candidates who have completed the admission application process by the March 15 deadline.

Undergraduate Studies

For details on programs,
visit music.uwo.ca

PROGRAMS OFFERED

Bachelor of Music in

Performance
Music Education
Music History
Music Theory
Composition

Bachelor of Musical Arts

Bachelor of Musical Arts (Honors Music)

Bachelor of Arts

Major in Music
Specialization in Music
Specialization in Music
Administrative Studies
Major in Popular Music
Studies

Artist Diploma

Music Performance Diploma

COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS

Music Recording Arts

(Western/ Fanshawe College)

Bachelor of Musical Arts (Honors Music)/
HBA (Ivey)

Bachelor of Arts (Honors Specialization in
Music)/HBA (Ivey)

Bachelor of Arts (Major in Music)/ HBA (Ivey)



Music Education

- Weekly, hour-long, private lessons on your major instrument
- Outstanding vocal and instrumental ensembles
- Comprehensive curriculum developing your general musicianship and skills in music education philosophy, psychology and methodology
- Diverse course options including instructional technology, elementary techniques, vocal methods, creativity and informal learning
- Study as many as eight different instruments, along with instrumental and choral conducting.

Put learning into practice

- Third and fourth-year students participate in volunteer programs assisting local elementary and secondary school music teachers
- All fourth-year students take Music Education in Action, a community service learning course
- Music Education Students' Association (MESA), a student chapter of the Ontario Music Educators' Association (OMEA)
- Guaranteed admission to Faculty of Education for qualifying students



Music Research and Composition

- **Bachelor of Music with Honors** in
 - Music History
 - Music Theory
 - Composition
- **Bachelor of Arts** with a
 - Major in Popular Music Studies
 - Specialization in Music Administrative Studies

Exceptional opportunities

- Popular Music Studies offers courses in popular music culture, production and songwriting
- Music Administrative Studies provides the foundations for music management
- CEARP Facility (Composition, Electro Acoustic Research and Performance) is a cutting-edge resource for composers who wish to use electro-acoustic techniques
- *Nota Bene*, Canada's international undergraduate musicology journal run by our undergraduate students, publishes undergraduate research from across North America



Music Performance Studies

- Instruction in keyboard, orchestral instruments, classical guitar and voice
- Weekly hour-long private lessons on major instruments or voice for all students (1.5 hours in years 3 and 4)
- Faculty are some of the most prominent artists in Canada
- Strong masterclass program

Our students are known for entering the spotlight each year in more than 400 performances in a variety of venues on campus and in the community.

Early Music Studio provides an opportunity for historical performance practice on copies of period instruments and to conduct related research

The opera workshop is considered one of Canada's premiere opera training programs. Recent productions include *Falstaff* and *Gianni Schicchi*. Our students also compete for major prizes throughout the world.

Preparing for the Future

The reputation of excellence continues to draw music students from across Canada and beyond. Our history as a leader in Music Education is well known, where our students are guaranteed entry into our Faculty of Education. Richness in performing opportunities, combined with world class instruction and breadth of ensembles creates an ideal environment to reach the highest levels of performance. Academic excellence and breadth of course selection allows music students at Western to be among the best anywhere and prepare for a future in any discipline.

Access a broad range of specialized course offerings including:

- Psychology of Music Education
- Jazz Pedagogy
- Philosophy of Music Education
- Contemporary Music Studio
- Analysis of Popular Music
- Electroacoustic Music, including Composition and Performance
- Popular Music Culture, Production and Songwriting
- The 21st Century Musician
- Music and Politics



Facilities & Resources

We are proud of our new state-of-the-art Music Building and facilities to provide you with the best learning environment for academic and performance studies.

- 100+ practice rooms, studios, large and small rehearsal rooms
- A 400-seat, fully equipped theatre known as the Paul Davenport Theatre
- A new 250-seat recital hall known as von Kuster Hall
- A new 48-seat recital hall
- Video and digital audio (DAT) recording facilities
- Composition & Electro Acoustic Research & Performance (CEARP) facility
- The Music Library has holdings that are among the most expansive in North America, including an impressive general collection and several Special Collections



How to Apply

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Apply through the Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC) at www.ouac.on.ca

- Current full-time Ontario High School Students applying to full-time studies at Western complete the OUAC online 101 form.
- All other students use one of the OUAC 105 or professional application

Hardcopy forms available through the OUAC at:
Ontario Universities' Application Centre (OUAC)
170 Research Lane
Guelph, Ontario Canada N1G 5E2
Tel.: (519) 823-1940

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Schedule an audition/interview

- Auditions/interviews take place February through April
- For complete information including online registration, visit:
www.music.uwo.ca/future-students/undergraduate/audition-process.html

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Theory Placement test

- This is an assessment, not a pass/fail test
- Applicants should be at conservatory Intermediate Rudiments level
- Actual conservatory certificates are not required
- Test is written online prior to the audition day



Pride in Our Alumni

The Don Wright Faculty of Music is proud of its 5,000 alumni around the world. They excel in every type of music career as well as a diverse range of other areas, including supreme court judge, playwright, filmmaker, author and television host.

Elaine Adair

BMus'73, MA (Music)'78



Judge of the Supreme Court of British Columbia

Stephan Moccio

BMus'94



Performer, arranger, composer, songwriter and producer

Barbara Willis-Sweete

BA (Music)'75



One of world's pre-eminent film directors

Michael Schade

BMus'88



Internationally renowned Mozart tenor

Louise Pitre

BMus'79



Musical Theatre singer/actress



Visits and Tours

See the campus, meet faculty and students

- Take a tour and see our new building
- Attend a concert
- Sit in on a class
- Meet us at Fall Preview Day on Sunday November 12, 2017
- Join us for March Break Open House on Saturday March 10, 2018

Attend a concert with your class

- Come for a performance, stay for a tour. Contact Sasha Gorbasew at 519-661-2111, ext. 80532 or agorbase@uwo.ca