Along with the core curriculum common to all degree programs at the School of Music, students at both the undergraduate and graduate levels may investigate degree programs geared toward mastery of performance techniques of their instruments of focus.

Study with the region's finest musicians

The School's artists in residence include some of the finest professional musicians in the region—many of them engaged by Seattle Symphony as principals of their respective instruments—while the core performance faculty are likewise engaged in thriving international performance and teaching careers that enrich their capability to instruct and encourage their students' highest professional and artistic aspirations.

UW School of Music Concerto Competition

Each year students who study instrumental performance in the School of Music can compete to perform as a concerto soloist with the UW Symphony Orchestra. Learn more here.

Learn more

The School of Music offers performance degrees at both the undergraduate and graduate levels in the areas below. Follow the links for more information on each area of performance.

The School's instrumental performance students also participate in the School's large ensembles, with a variety of orchestras, bands, and other instrumental ensembles open to majors and non-majors alike. For more information, visit the Orchestral Activities and Band Activities links below, or visit our Ensembles page:

- Band Activities
- Guitar
- Harp
- Keyboard
- Orchestral Activities
- Percussion
- Strings
- Woodwinds and Brass