Why UW?

Music studies at the University of Washington yield boundless opportunities for learning and discovery. Musicians and scholars thrive at this major center for research and innovation, in one of the great urban centers on the West Coast, long a force for electrifying discoveries—in every sense of the word.

School of Music By the Numbers

500,000: Amount, in dollars, that the School of Music distributes annually in student scholarship and fellowship support

700: Number of rare musical scores in the William Crawford III Rare Music Collection, donated to the UW Music Library in 2014. The collection includes first edition, first printing scores from the late 16th to late 20th centuries by major composers including Bach, Beethoven, Haydn, Tchaikovsky and many others.

10,000: Field recordings of music from around the world available for listening and research through the School’s Ethnomusicology Archives, one of the oldest and most extensive in the country.

1862: The year piano instruction was first offered at the University of Washington, just one year after the opening of the institution.

1911: The year the UW first offered bachelor’s of music degrees

400: Number of objects in the School of Music’s musical instrument collection, curated by the Ethnomusicology Program and including instruments from around the world.

Learn More

Choose the appropriate type of applicant you are to view application instructions for your situation:

Freshman | Current UW Student | International | Postbac | Transfer

Tuition and Fees

We recognize that schooling can be costly and requires a good deal of financial planning. Learn more about current UW tuition and UW School of Music fees on our Tuition and Fees page.

Deadlines

Undergraduate students must apply to the University of Washington before applying to the School of Music. Deadlines for autumn quarter School of Music admission:

Freshmen: November 15th
Transfer Students: February 15th
Post-Baccalaureate Students: February 15th

Please note: The UW does NOT accept late materials