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INTRODUCTION & WELCOME

Welcome to the Greatbatch School of Music at Houghton College. We are excited to have you join us, and to work alongside you as you continue your training to realize the calling that God has placed upon your life. We look forward to welcoming you into our family here at the Greatbatch School of Music (GSoM), and to celebrate your unique gifts and talents that have come from above, from the Father of lights.

This Music Student Handbook is an excellent resource, and will act as your initial guide to important, specific information regarding GSoM procedures, as well as expectations and opportunities for all Music majors.

This document is a roadmap for your success as a Music major at Houghton College. To that end, please familiarize yourself with it, as it is the primary reference for pertinent Music Major information, practices, and policies. Remember that it is your responsibility to review this material and to be aware of the requirements for your specific degree. While our faculty will be working diligently to assist you with any questions you may have, you are the one responsible to know and execute the information contained in this handbook. Seize control of your academic future and do not allow lack of knowledge, resulting omissions or mistakes to hinder your studies at the Greatbatch School of Music.

If you have questions or concerns about any subject contained in this handbook, please always feel free to ask your academic advisor for clarification, or Mrs. Tammy Dunmire, our Administrative Operations Coordinator, either in person, or by email, at music@houghton.edu. It is our sincere prayer that your time at the Greatbatch School of Music will be an exciting, growth-filled, and Christ-driven season in your life.

Armenio Suzano, Dean and Director
MISSION & GOALS

Mission
The Greatbatch School of Music, within a Christ-centered liberal arts education, endeavors to produce graduates who through commitment to musical excellence and the integration of faith and musical learning can be effective advocates and practitioners in both the Christian community and the broader world.

Goals
In light of our stated mission, the Greatbatch School of Music faculty seeks to:

- promote a Christian musical environment for developing the highest artist values and a lifelong commitment to musical excellence
- serve students excellently in their professional work
- provide students with the means for rewarding, fulfilling artistic endeavors
- develop in all students an awareness of the creative dimension of the entire person
- develop in all students an awareness that they are created in the Image of God (Imago Dei)
- to encourage an on-going commitment to the coherent articulation of the integration of faith and discipline
- serve as effective musical advocates in the Christian community and in the broader world
- serve as effective Christian witnesses in the musical world.
The Office of the Dean
Dr. Armenio Suzano, Dean and Director

Tammy Dunmire, Administrative Operations Coordinator and Assistant to the Dean and Director
(CFA 105, ext. 4000)

The Faculty of the GSoM
Information about individual faculty members can be found on the faculty web pages.

Etiquette: When referring to or addressing professors, “Professor” is the preferred title to precede the person’s last name, unless a professor with a doctorate directs you to use “Dr.” Also acceptable are appropriate uses of “Mr.,” “Ms.,” or “Mrs.” It is not appropriate to call professors by their first name.

The Staff of the GSoM
- Carlton Campbell, Assistant Director of Technical Arts, Music Industry Practicum Coordinator (CFA 210, ext. 4030)
- Victoria Pitre, Recruitment Coordinator (CFA 214, ext. 4020)
- Elizabeth Liddick, Graduate Studies Coordinator (CFA 214, ext. 4680)
- Rachel Decker, Circulation Specialist (CFA 200, ext. 6080)
- Tom Finch, Maintenance Supervisor, Wesley Chapel & CFA

Faculty by Instrument or Area
Woodwinds
Coordinator of Woodwinds: Armenio Suzano Jr., Associate Professor of Clarinet
- Matthew Amedio, Assistant Professor of Saxophone
- Megan Kyle, Instructor of Oboe
- Angela McBrearty, Assistant Professor of Flute
- Abraham Weiss, Instructor of Bassoon

Brass
- Ken Crane, Assistant Professor of Trombone
- Derek Reiss, Instructor of Trumpet
- Jason Decker, Instructor of Tuba
- Colleen Wolf, Instructor of Horn

Percussion
Coordinator of Percussion: Dustin Woodard, Instructor of Percussion

Harp
- Suzanne Thomas, Instructor of Harp
- Grace Wong, Instructor of Harp (Salzedo)
Strings
Coordinator of Strings: Steven Thomas, Assistant Professor of Strings (Violin and Viola)
- Brett Shurtleff, Instructor of Double Bass
- Martha Thomas, Assistant Professor of Strings; String Methods
- Rintaro Wada, Instructor of Cello

Guitar
- Anton Machleder, Assistant Professor of Guitar

Piano & Harpsichord
Coordinator of Piano Studies: William Newbrough, Professor of Piano
Coordinator of Collaborative Studies: Sharon Johnson, Associate Professor of Piano and Collaborative Piano; Accompanist and Director of Student Chapel Ensemble
- Judy Congdon, Professor of Organ and Harpsichord; College Organist
- Amanda Cox, Accompanist; Instructor of Voice
- Amanda Robbins, Instructor of Piano Pedagogy

Organ
- Judy Congdon, Professor of Organ and Harpsichord; College Organist

Voice & Opera
- Amanda Cox, Instructor of Voice; Lyric Theatre Director
- Kim Prins-Moeller, Assistant Professor of Voice
- Nick Kilkenny, Instructor of Voice
- Victoria Pitre, Instructor of Voice
- Luke Ogden, Instructor of Voice

Music Theory & Composition
- William Newbrough, Professor of Aural Skills
- Carrie Magin, Assistant Professor of Composition and Theory
- Christopher Ashbaugh, Assistant Professor of Composition and Theory
- David Hanner, Assistant Professor of Composition and Theory

Music History & Literature
- David Clem, Instructor of Music History
- Gary Stith, Professor of Music Education; Conductor Emeritus

Music Education
- Floyd Richmond, Interim Professor of Music and Coordinator of Music Education
- Gary Stith, Professor of Music Education; Conductor Emeritus
- Jason Decker, Instructor of Woodwind Techniques
- Martha Thomas, Assistant Professor of Strings; String Methods
- Dustin Woodard, Instructor of Percussion
Collaborative Studies
Coordinator of Collaborative Studies: Sharon Johnson, Associate Professor of Piano and Collaborative Piano; Accompanist and Director of Student Chapel Ensemble
- Amanda Cox, Instructor of Voice; Accompanist
- Elizabeth Liddick, Graduate Studies Coordinator; Accompanist

Technical Arts/Music Industry
Director of Technical Arts: James Bowman, Interim Instructor of Music Industry
- Carlton Campbell, Assistant Director of Technical Arts

Conducting
- Daniel David Black, Assistant Professor Music and Director of Choral Activities
- Timothy McGarvey, Professor of Music and Director of Instrumental Activities
- Gary Stith, Professor of Music Education; Conductor Emeritus

Church Music
Coordinator of Church Music: Judy Congdon, Professor of Organ and Harpsichord; College Organist
- Amanda Cox, Instructor of Voice; Accompanist
- Sharon Johnson, Associate Professor of Piano and Collaborative Piano; Accompanist and Director of Student Chapel Ensemble

Commercial Music & Jazz
- Ken Crane, Instructor of Trombone; Director of Jazz Activities

Ensemble Directors
- Daniel David Black, College Choir
- Ken Crane, Jazz Ensemble
- Timothy McGarvey, Wind Ensemble
- Angela McBrearty, Flute Ensemble
- Armenio Suzano Jr., Symphony Orchestra; Clarinet Choir
- Matthew Amedio, Saxophone Quartet
- Steven Thomas, Chamber String Ensembles
- Victoria Pitre, Men’s & Women’s Choir
- Rebekah Brennan, Houghton A Cappella
- Dustin Woodard, Percussion Ensemble

Need help?
Academic-related issues:
Your faculty advisor will be your primary resource, but the music office can provide additional direction. If you are uncomfortable meeting with your advisor, please make an appointment to meet with the director.

Emotional/personal:
The Greatbatch School of Music is like a large family, so friends and colleagues can often offer support for personal emotional issues, and other individual concerns. For assistance with significant personal issues that persist or may be harmful, you may wish to consult with Houghton’s excellent Counseling Center. Their services are provided to you at no cost.
ORGANIZATIONS

In addition to formally constituted ensembles, Houghton students annually form a variety of student-organized groups, ranging from classical-repertoire ensembles to worship praise teams. Further, many area churches make use of music students as worship leaders and group members.

National Association for Music Education
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The National Association for Music Education (NAfME) is the professional organization for all music educators – pre-service, active, or retired. As a member of NAfME Collegiate you will

- gain the benefit of a professional identity at the earliest stages of your career,
- have exclusive opportunities to interact with and learn from active music educators and administrators,
- receive valuable professional development at state and national conferences at a significantly reduced cost (or free),
- participate in activities and programs that will prepare you for your career, and
- have networking opportunities that will help you get job interviews and land a job.

NAfME’s members-only online resources provide information and materials that can be used for school assignments and research. NAfME Collegiate membership will help you succeed in school and career.

The chapter sponsors speakers and workshops, attends state conventions, and holds social events. The chapter raises funds at some events to support these activities. Affiliations include the New York State School Music Association (NAfME) and Music Educator’s National Conference (MENC).

Full membership ($25.00) includes membership in C/MENC (thus NYSSMA and MENC), subscriptions to Music Educator’s Journal and the NYSSMA School Music News. All music majors are urged to join.

Dean’s Advisory Council
[FORMERLY THE MUSIC STUDENT’S ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MSAC)]

The Dean’s Advisory Council members work with the dean and director of the GSoM to provide advisory input. Annually in April, each class (First-Year, Sophomore & Junior) will elect one representative for the MSAC. A new first-year will be elected during September of each year. Terms extend from August through May of the subsequent year.

Purposes:

1. The primary function of the Dean’s Advisory Council is to work in an advisory capacity to the director. The committee does not have power to make decisions or take action, but is rather intended to give advisory input to the music faculty and administration.

2. The committee will serve as an open line of communication between the music faculty and GSoM students.

3. The committee will give input to and/or discuss policy-making insofar as such policy affects students.

Request to students: The committee normally meets once per month. Help the committee effectively serve you by talking with them, seeking them out to get the straight story rather than believing what you hear in the lounge, and provide your input when the committee makes presentations or polls the students.
Pi Kappa Lambda Music Honor Society
ZETA OMICRON CHAPTER

The purpose of this Society is to provide an organization dedicated to the furtherance of music in education and education in music in colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher learning, which offer music degree programs in one or more fields.

FACILITIES & EQUIPMENT

Maps
- Wesley Chapel (PDF, 206KB)
- Center for the Arts (PDF, 803KB)

Open Mon-Sat 7 a.m. – 12 a.m. (Sunday, open from 5 p.m.)

Bulletin Boards
The bulletin boards in the student lounge, mailbox area, and the elevator are to be used for announcements of a general nature. There are additional bulletin boards for choral ensembles (outside of the Recital Hall Green Room), instrumental ensembles (outside of Room 134), and Music Education (outside of Room 231). Each faculty member has a bulletin board outside of their studio. Public boards are checked and culled each week. You should regularly check all boards that apply to your area. To be posted in the elevator, bulletins must be submitted to the music office for consideration, and will be posted in order of priority.

NOTE: GSoM and related notices will receive priority consideration and location for posting.

Ensemble Libraries
The ensemble libraries house the literature for the GSoM major ensembles. They can serve as a valuable Music Education resource for examining potential repertoire for choir, band, orchestra, etc. In addition, there are some opera and musical theater scores available for checkout by students. Access to ensemble libraries is available through either ensemble directors or ensemble librarians. Please note that you will be held personally, financially responsible for any scores checked out to you that are not returned.

Instruments
Varieties of small instruments are available for use by students in Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra, as well as in various instrumental methods classes. See the appropriate faculty member or instrumental grad student(s) for sign-out procedures. Instrument checkout must be approved by the appropriate professor.

All college instruments are to be kept in their designated lockers and not in your personal locker or living quarters. Tubas, celli, and double basses are specifically permitted to be left in a practice room, provided they are in their case or covered, and provided their subsequent removal does not interfere with the practice of others. All other instruments are to be removed from practice rooms when you leave (a completely normal practice nationwide). Student lockers are the appropriate location for other instruments.

Some college instruments may be signed out during school breaks by using a form available from the music office, which is to be signed by the appropriate professor. This form confirms your financial responsibility for the instrument while it is in your care. When school resumes, the instrument is to be checked in to the appropriate faculty member.
Keyboard Instruments & Maintenance

All of us as Christian stewards are responsible for the careful use and maintenance of pianos and organs. These instruments are both expensive and sensitive, so please treat them with great care. They are tuned regularly, and major maintenance, fine voicing, and regulation are completed during the summer interim.

You can help immensly in both the tuning and maintenance of these instruments by:

- Putting only music on your instrument (piano, etc.)
- Allowing no air drafts on your instrument
- Closing practice room windows when you leave the room
- Promptly reporting maintenance or repair needs: tuning, service (i.e. broken string, sluggish action, faulty pedal, etc.) and voicing (e.g. too strident or too weak tone)

Grand Pianos

The performance grand pianos in the recital hall and Wesley Chapel are kept locked. Keys are only issued to students with the approval of the keyboard faculty.

The Steinway in either area is used for performances, not routine rehearsals, and is always kept locked and used only by permission from faculty members. Keys must be signed out at the main music office and returned to the AOC mail slot (mail slot area, top row, far left). If you sign out the key and it does not get returned to the box, you will be held personally responsible.

The Yamaha piano in the recital hall is the designated rehearsal instrument for that space. Please do not use the Steinway for routine ensemble rehearsal.

Piano majors have priority in scheduling practice spaces with grand pianos in them.

Organs & Harpsichords

The GSoM has four organs for use by students in the organ studio. Chief among these is the 61-rank Holtkamp in the chapel auditorium (view a complete Holtkamp stop list). The ‘Halfkamp,’ the Andover, and the Moore (all smaller practice organs) are located on the lower level of Wesley Chapel. These instruments are reserved for students currently taking organ lessons; other use is by permission of the college organist. A fifth organ, the very fine 2008 James Louder tracker organ at Houghton Wesleyan Church, is jointly owned by church and college, and regularly available to organ students for practice, lessons, and recitals.

The use of the two college harpsichords – one of which is a very fine, two-manual, Willard Martin Italian harpsichord built in 1986 – is reserved for students currently taking harpsichord lessons; other use is by permission of the college organist. Students who wish to accompany a recital at the organ or harpsichord must obtain prior permission of the college organist.

Listed below are a few guidelines to help you in using the harpsichord.

- **The Harpsichordist:** The harpsichordist must be a student who has taken harpsichord lessons or a faculty member. You should inform both your teacher and the harpsichord faculty member of your desire to use the harpsichord.
- **Logistics:** The harpsichord must be moved to the location of the performance at least 5 hours before the performance and returned immediately following the performance. The harpsichord needs time to adjust to the changes in temperature and humidity in order to stay in tune.
• **Tuning:** The harpsichord will likely need to be tuned after moving, and will perhaps need to be “touched-up” immediately before the concert. Your harpsichordist is responsible for tuning the instrument. They will need about an hour to tune the harpsichord after it has been moved. You need to sign out time for tuning the harpsichord.

• **Moving the Harpsichord:** When moving the harpsichord, a music faculty member must be present (this is normally your applied teacher).

  Some tips for moving the harpsichord:

  o Five strong people are needed to move the harpsichord to and from the stage. You will also need 1 or 2 people to carry the trestle.

  o The brown cover must be on the harpsichord when moving it.

  o The trestle on the bottom of the harpsichord is detachable. The harpsichord simply lifts off of it. Be certain to place the harpsichord back on the trestle so that the holes on the trestle match the indentations on the bottom of the harpsichord.

  o **Remember:** flesh and bone heals; wood does not.

### Piano Care & Room Condition

The Greatbatch School of Music maintains 55 pianos for the use of its faculty and students. Such a collection of instruments represents a significant investment. To that end:

• Do not use excessive force that could result in broken strings and accelerated wear to piano actions.

• Do not sit on, stand on, or deface any instrument in any manner.

• Take care in ensuring the proper use of piano benches: no standing, leaning back on two legs, etc.

• Report any piano-related needs (broken strings, sticking keys, etc.) to one of the keyboard faculty members.

All windows and piano lids must be **closed** when leaving any room. Your room must be left in neat condition for the next occupant, regardless of the condition in which you found it. If a practice room or rehearsal room is found in sub-standard condition, you must bring it up to standard and report any deficiencies to the main music office.

### Mail Slots

Mail slots are provided for music majors in the Center for the Arts. These are located in the hallway next to the Recital Hall and are used for intradepartmental communication of all sorts, including the return of papers and tests, recital attendance information, and letters from the music office. It is your responsibility to **check your box regularly** (twice daily is recommended). Any information not received due to negligence of this recommendation will be your responsibility.

### Personal Belongings

A coatroom is located on the first floor of the CFA, directly across from the mail slots. This space is for the storage of coats and other seasonal attire, and is not a personal storage space.
Personal lockers are available for music students, either in the large locker room next to the Instrumental Rehearsal Hall or in the hallway outside of CFA 145. A school-issued combination lock is provided for you, and it is required that you use only this lock (no personal locks) for your locker. If the lock assigned to you is lost, there will be a $10.00 charge applied to your account for its replacement. There is also a set of small lockers in the Wesley Chapel organ loft stairwell for organ students’ use. These too are assigned through the music office.

The college assumes no responsibility for items of any sort left unattended or unsecured in a locker. If you are concerned about your personal materials, please secure them in a locker.

Practice Rooms
Practice rooms are equipped with what you will need to grow and develop in your musical discipline. They are primarily workspaces, each used by many different people. These spaces are neither private storage areas, nor living quarters, so please be thoughtful of your fellow students in your stewardship of these workspaces. See “Practice Rooms” for practice room procedures as well as a reminder of the risks of leaving personal belongings unattended in practice spaces.

COMMUNICATION WITHIN THE GSOM
The primary and official communication method from the office is email, and it is advisable to check your student email frequently. Negligence of this recommendation will not excuse you from procedures, requirements, and information that you may have missed.

Some notices can be sent to all music students. Should you wish to submit a notice for an email to all students, contact the Administrative Operations Coordinator (AOC).

**Please note:** only the AOC is permitted to email all students and/or faculty in the GSoM. As a student, you are not, under any circumstances, permitted to send a school-wide email for any reason.
PROCEDURES

Accompaniment Guidelines

All accompaniment assignments go through Dr. Sharon Johnson, and are made at the beginning of the school year (except for those off-campus for the semester or student teaching). Further information will be distributed at that time.

Requirements: All BMUS piano and organ majors (applied and Music Education) are required to accompany 2 (two) upper-class music majors (applied or Music Education) per semester. BA piano majors are required to accompany 1 (one) music major. A major ensemble assignment is considered equivalent to an accompaniment assignment.

- Should you wish to accompany more than your required number of assignments, the accompaniment coordinator will require the written approval of your piano professor (or your organ professor if you are an organ major) before authorizing payment.

When you agree to be a student’s accompanist, you are making a serious commitment: you become a partner in that person’s work for the entire semester or until the recital and the ensuing jury are finished. You may not cancel your commitment for any reason other than a true emergency (heavy workload does not count). The faculty coordinator of accompaniment will make accompanying assignments for each semester. If you have a preference, notify the appropriate faculty member in writing.

A total of 2 hours weekly is the maximum time allowed to work with each music major that you accompany, including lesson time, rehearsal time, and your individual practice of the accompaniments. If you are rehearsing for a required recital, the time is increased to 3 hours weekly. Up to 1 hour of those 3 hours may be allotted for your own practice of the accompaniments. If you have received permission to accompany more than the required number of music majors, the same time restrictions apply.

Music: It is ideal that your accompaniments be given to you no less than 3 weeks in advance of any lesson, departmental recital, jury, or any other public performance or rehearsal. If you need extra time to learn the music before your first rehearsal, make that clear to the student you are accompanying. If you do not receive the music at least three weeks in advance, you will not be required to accompany for that performance.

You are encouraged to ask your piano professor to help you with your accompaniments. Also, some accompaniments may appear easy to play, but keep in mind that ensemble and accompaniment styles are very different from solo playing.

Payments & Time Cards: Pay is available to accompanists who qualify for the work-study program. See the faculty coordinator of accompaniment for details, if you are interested. You must be authorized by the Student Payroll Office for payment and fill out weekly timecards (located in the music office). You will be paid at the current student work-study pay scale, and these same time limitations apply for accompanists who are not piano or organ majors.

Assignment of Instructors

Assignment of applied music teachers is made by the Dean of the GSoM in consultation with studio faculty, due consideration being given to the student's preference. These assignments are made on a yearly basis, although study of a single semester is permitted.
Practice Cards
Practice cards may be required at the discretion of the studio teacher. Cards are found in the music office.

Practice Rooms
All persons using Houghton’s superb music facilities, including its musical instruments and practice spaces, are expected to do so responsibly and professionally, in a spirit of mutual uplift and support as we grow together as musicians. Accordingly, the following guidelines are adopted by the music faculty with the goal of maintaining the quality and professional standards of our practice spaces:

- Students’ personal belongings and instruments\(^1\) are not to be left in practice rooms between practice sessions. Your belongings may be removed from the practice room for retrieval in the music office if you violate this rule.

- Practice rooms are not intended to be used for study, computer use, or any other non-practice-related activity; they are for musical practice only. All music practice spaces are available to students enrolled in private music study on a first-come, first served basis.

- Food and beverages are not allowed in practice rooms, aside from water in tightly sealed containers.

- Personal decoration is not permitted in practice rooms. These are professional spaces, not dormitory rooms, and no student ‘owns’ a practice room.

- Students are not allowed to cover the windows of the practice room doors. The windows must remain clear, as a matter of safety and mutual protection for all.

- No objects of any kind should be placed on pianos, except for pencils, music and metronomes, which should be placed on the music rack of the piano.

- There is a two-hour limit on the use of any room for any one practice period. At the end of that time the room must be surrendered to any other student registered for private study wishing to use it.

- CFA 231, 245, 333, 335, 341, and 343 are subject to priority use as posted on room doors.

\(^1\)Tubas, celli, and double basses are specifically permitted to be left in a practice space, provided they are in their case or covered and their subsequent removal does not interfere with the practice of others. All others are to be removed (a completely normal practice nationwide). Student lockers are the appropriate location for other instruments.

Tutoring
Tutoring is available for Theory, Music History, and other select courses. To obtain tutoring, please see your professor.
POLICIES

Applied Lessons
All music majors should be enrolled in applied lessons in their primary instrument, voice, or keyboard for each semester of attendance until the official requirements for their major have been met.

Voice and piano proficiencies are offered in applied lesson format, as of the Spring 2014 semester.

All applied lessons have applied lesson fees attached to them, which are added to student bills and are part of your overall college cost.

Students wishing to enroll in more than 4 credit hours of private instruction on a single instrument must seek the express approval of their studio teacher and the Dean of the GSoM.

Ensemble Participation
One major ensemble (for 0 credits) is required of all music majors (BMus, BA, and BS) during each semester of residence. Music majors will normally participate in formal rehearsal for major ensembles up to 5-7 hours per week. Credit is allowed for membership in a second ensemble. Major ensemble assignments are made by the appropriate ensemble director(s) with the concurrence of the Dean of the GSoM. Anyone whose principal instrument is woodwind, brass, or percussion will register for and participate as needed in both Symphony Orchestra and Wind Ensemble unless excused by both the ensemble’s director and the Dean of the GSoM. Those who elect the vocal curriculum are not required to participate in instrumental ensembles. Those who elect instrumental curricula are not required to participate in vocal ensembles.

All Bachelor of Music majors must also participate in at least 1 semester of chamber music, small or minor ensemble, or collaborative performance/accompanying (keyboard principal) during their program of study. Students whose major, concentration, or emphasis is keyboard will normally meet this criterion through studio or chamber accompaniment.

Major ensembles include: College Choir (sophomore-senior only), Men’s Choir, Symphony Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, and Women’s Choir. The Dean of the GSoM has final authority as to which ensembles count for credit.
Awarding Credit Hours Through Coursework

One hour of academic credit is granted by Houghton College through coursework when a student is assessed by the instructor of record as having performed academically at a passing level in the course, as guided by the grading policies of the College, and when one of the following can also be documented:

1. The student receives at least 15 hours (each 50 minutes) of instruction (including live or pre-recorded lectures/presentations and all directly synchronously supervised or observed time on task, whether face to face or at a distance) and completes course-related work outside of instructional time which requires at least 30 hours of time on task for a typical student.

2. The student completes independent course-related work which requires at least 45 hours of time on task for a typical student (as defined below)

3. The student completes course-related work and receives instruction (each as defined above) in any combination that sums to at least 45 hours.

Minimum expectations for time on task for various common learning activities, which have been determined through a synthesis of existing research and a review of policies at other institutions, include:

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For a number of learning activities, such as audio or video listening/viewing, time on task is set by the length of the assigned material itself. For active learning situations such as field experiences and internships, unsupervised time on task is normally dictated by the particular context, and must be documented in syllabi. Moreover, because specific assignments involving research, writing, creative production or skill development may vary significantly depending on subject matter and level of difficulty, instructors may also provide charts similar to the one above in individual syllabi, designating the expected time on task for each assignment. Any such designation will demonstrate conformity to accepted practice in the particular field of study. For example, for individual studio instruction in music at Houghton College, hours of academic credit are granted according to the following formulas (based on NASM norms):

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Sophomore Review
In compliance with National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) guidelines, all students pursuing the Bachelor of Music degree are reviewed by the music faculty during the second year of study (normally at the end of the student’s third semester) to ensure satisfactory musical and academic progress. This review considers performance ability and attainment, growth in musicianship, commitment to the discipline, and evidence of compatibility with vocational goals.

Any student evidencing significant problems in the above areas of evaluation will be notified by their advisor and the director of the GSoM, and will be placed on probation for the fourth semester of study. Any deficiencies thus identified must be addressed and remedied by the time of the fourth semester jury or the student will not continue as a BMus major.

Specialist Study
[EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1985, UPDATED SPRING 2010]
In certain cases, there may not be a faculty member with doctoral-level credentials (or equivalent professional record) in a studio performance specialty. In such cases, an applied performance major may, with the permission of the Dean of Music, upon the recommendation of and in consultation with the appropriate full-time faculty member, be assigned to an appropriately credentialed specialist in the relevant studio teaching specialty.

The above guidelines may be reviewed, revised, or rescinded at any time by the faculty and the Dean of the Greatbatch School of Music.

WELLNESS
Students enrolled in music unit programs and faculty and staff with employment status in the music unit must be provided basic information about the maintenance of health and safety within the contexts of practice, performance, teaching, and listening.

For music majors and music faculty and staff, general topics include, but are not limited to, basic information regarding the maintenance of hearing, vocal, and musculoskeletal health, and injury prevention. They also include instruction on the use, proper handling, and operation of potentially dangerous materials, equipment, and technology as applicable to specific program offerings or experiences. Beyond the provision of basic general information, and the identification of available resources, decisions regarding topic areas and breadth and depth of information are made by the institution, and normally are correlated with the nature, content, and requirements of specific areas of specialization or specific courses of study.

For non-majors enrolled in courses offered by the music unit, including performing ensembles, or other curricular offerings of the music unit, topics chosen in addition to the maintenance of hearing health are directly related to health and safety issues associated with their specific area of study or activity in music.

Music program policies, protocols, and operations must reflect attention to maintenance of health and injury prevention and to the relationships among the health and safety of musicians, suitable choices of equipment and technology for various specific purposes, appropriate and safe operation of equipment and technology, and the acoustic and other conditions associated with health and safety in practice, rehearsal, performance, and facilities.

Specific methods of providing information and addressing injury prevention, technology, and facilities are the prerogative and responsibility of the institution.
For more information, please visit the NASM reference documents located here.

**NOTE:** Health and safety depend in large part on the personal decisions of informed individuals. Institutions have health and safety responsibilities, but fulfillment of these responsibilities cannot and will not ensure any specific individual’s health and safety. Too many factors beyond any institution’s control are involved. Individuals have a critically important role and each is personally responsible for avoiding risk and preventing injuries to themselves before, during, and after study or employment at any institution. The NASM standards above and applicable guidelines below, and institutional actions taken under their influence or independently do not relieve the individual from personal responsibility for appropriate, prudent, and safe behavior or action, nor do they shift such responsibility and liability for the consequences of inappropriate, imprudent, and/or unsafe behavior or action in any instance or over time to any institution, or to NASM.

**MUSIC LIBRARY**

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Our music library contains copious musical materials for your use, including:

- Cassettes and CDs of Houghton College recitals and concert events
- Collected works (call number MUSIC COL WK in online catalog)
- Commercial CD collection
- Music reference materials (there are copies of these sources and more in the reference area of the main campus library)
- Printed music (similar types of music are grouped together, by type of composition, number of instruments, sacred v. secular, etc.)
- Vinyl recordings

**Circulation Policy**

Only printed music and videos circulate to all students. Sound recordings (CD and LP) circulate to faculty and staff, and to graduate students. Undergraduate students are welcome to browse the shelves for CDs and to use them on music library premises. College ID is required to check-out music or to use music reserve materials. Overdue charges are $0.10/day. Renewals are possible if the need arises.

Printed music: Circulates for 2 weeks

Videos: Circulate for 3 days

Because of the way our college computers are configured, the music library cannot check in items from the main campus library. Please return materials borrowed from the main campus library to that location.

**Interlibrary Loan**

Interlibrary Loan (ILL) services on printed music are available to music library patrons. **Neither videos nor sound recordings can be requested:** most other institutions do not make them eligible for ILL. Verify publication information (as well as opus numbers, key signatures, which instruments are involved, whether you need a score AND individual parts, etc.) of your score using WorldCat ([Houghton library website](https://www.houghtonlibrary.org), Online Resources page) and then email Elizabeth Oakerson or Bradley Wilber to ensure that we don’t
already have a comparable item in our existing collection. The OCLC Accession Number at the bottom of your WorldCat search record is a helpful reference.

**Listening Room Policy**
We encourage the entire Houghton community to make use of the music library for all types of musical experiences, mainly hearing recordings as preparation for assignments, exams, class discussion, recitals, or ensemble rehearsals, etc.

All music library personnel, including student workers, are well within their rights to ask listening room users to vacate if conduct or time limits become an issue. Do not use the rooms for a place to hang out with friends or your significant other.

**Food and drink are not permitted in the listening rooms, or anywhere else in the music library.**

**Music Reserves**
Reserve items (set aside by faculty members for use by an entire class) must be requested at the music library circulation desk (a staff member will retrieve them for you). Your College ID is necessary to borrow reserve materials, to be used on music library premises for a two-hour period. You may only have two music library reserve items on your card at one time.

From time to time, professors request that books from the main campus library collection be given reserve status. Those items remain at the main campus library and must be requested there.

**Searching the Online Catalog**
No matter which numbering system applies, it’s best to go beyond browsing and check out our holdings using the online catalog. To search the library online catalog, visit the [library collection search page](#). If you still cannot find what you are looking for, ask a music library staff member.
JURIES, REPERTOIRE SHEETS, & RELATED PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

Juries & Repertoire Sheets
Repertoire sheets are mandatory for all students taking applied or studio lessons, including composition and conducting, regardless of music major status. Students who present a recital in a semester may be excused from a jury (though they may be requested by the faculty grading the recital to perform sections of the recital during jury time). Recitalists must still submit repertoire sheets for that semester.

Juries are generally held during the final two weeks of the semester. Please pay careful attention to due dates and sign-up dates, which will be emailed to you and posted around the building by the music office staff. Negligence of these notices will not excuse you from missing sign-ups or repertoire sheet due dates.

Who has a jury
All B.Mus. majors (and most graduate students) taking applied lessons are required to perform in a jury each semester in their major area. Exceptions are made only through the instructor’s request. B.A. and B.S. majors are strongly encouraged to perform in juries and should do so in consultation with their applied studio professor.

Juniors, Seniors, and Music Education students who are presenting only an independently-prepared piece must present a short jury consisting of that selection.

Who does not have a jury
Music Education majors are not required to present a jury during the semester of their student teaching experience. B.A. and B.S. students, as previously described.

Junior, senior, and graduate music majors presenting a degree recital will not be required to perform a regular jury during that semester. Exceptions may be made at the request of the applied studio professor. You may be required to perform an independently-prepared piece as a jury, even if you are presenting a recital. Please check with your studio teacher. Information regarding independently-prepared pieces can be found below.

Independently-Prepared Piece
No jury is required in the capstone recital semester. However, upon the successful completion of the recital requirement, the primary applied professor, at their discretion, may require the student to prepare an independently-prepared piece (learned without the express assistance of the professor), to be performed at or near the conclusion of the semester for either studio class or performance seminar.
Repertoire Report for Jury (Jury Sheet)

Repertoire sheets are mandatory for all students taking applied or studio lessons, including composition and conducting, as per our music accreditation organizations.

See an example here

Due Date: The due date for repertoire sheets is generally during the week before juries, but please be attentive to and follow the due dates and reminder emails sent to you by the music office.

Late Sheets and Grading: Should your repertoire sheets be late due to negligence of deadlines it is the policy of the music office to dock your final applied lesson grade by one letter (an A- becomes a B+). Your final applied lesson grade is a weighted average between your jury or recital grade and your studio grade; your jury is worth 40 percent of your final applied grade, and studio work is worth 60 percent. If your sheets are late, then that final applied grade will be docked. No student's final applied grade may be submitted without a jury or recital grade.

Off-Campus Faculty or One Day-A-Week Faculty: If your professor is only here on a certain day of the week or is off-campus, you must have a draft of your repertoire sheet typed up for their review prior to their last day on campus before the deadline, have it reviewed, and then have the final version signed by the teacher before their last day on campus before the deadline.

Having a teacher only here one day-a-week will not excuse you should you turn in late repertoire sheets; it is your responsibility to be in communication with them to ensure that these final versions are submitted by the deadline.

Procedure: Each student must submit a typed and correctly-boldfaced draft of their repertoire sheet to the applied lesson teacher; a template is available here. After the studio teacher reviews the draft, the student will make any necessary corrections and print the final draft for signing. The student will then submit final copies, signed by both student and teacher, to the music office in accordance with the numbers of copies below.

- Instrumental: 4 copies
- Keyboard: 4 copies
- Not doing a jury: 1 copy
- Voice majors/lessons: 6 copies

Your Course Code and Number will be posted on the jury schedule sheet outside of the music office; use this information on your repertoire sheet. Boldface and type any other heading information that applies. Please reference these instructions if you have any questions.

All works or movements selected for jury performance must be indicated as such by typing a ‘J’ in the code field on the repertoire table. These selections should be made in consultation with your studio teacher.

At the jury, the student will choose (from the compositions marked ‘J’) the first selection to be performed. The order of the remainder of the selections will be determined by the jurors.
Course codes:
BSSN: Bassoon
BASS: Double Bass
CONC: Choral Conducting
CONI: Instrumental Conducting
CLAR: Clarinet
COMP: Composition
EUPH: Euphonium
FLUT: Flute
GUIT: Guitar
HARP: Harp
HPSC: Harpsichord
HORN: Horn
OBOE: Oboe
ORGN: Organ
PERC: Percussion
PIAN: Piano [also for piano proficiencies]
SAXP: Saxophone
TRMB: Trombone
TRPT: Trumpet
TUBA: Tuba
VILN: Violin
VCLO: Cello (Violoncello)
VOLA: Viola
VOIC: Voice [also for voice proficiencies]

Jury Performance Guidelines
Instrumental
[Revised 2014]

A studio professor may request a jury of any student in their studio. A student who performs a degree recital is exempt from a jury for that semester, but may be required to present an independently-prepared piece to the jury at the discretion of their applied instructor. Jury members may give written comments to the student’s teacher noting strengths, weaknesses and suggestions for improvement.

Faculty members who are working with a student who suffers from unusual problems of embouchure, bowing, or physical difficulties may request a special excuse from juries for the student, to be approved by the instrumental faculty.

Students who plan to change to another major in the subsequent semester will be graded by the applied instructor, and will not take a jury, unless the instructor requires it.

- **Selection:** Selection of jury pieces should represent your best work and demonstrate both technical advancement and musical expressiveness. No more than half of the allotted time will be spent hearing the student’s choice. The student’s choice may be accompanied.

- **Styles:** Contrasting styles are appreciated.

- **Memorization:** Memorization is recommended (required for solo pianists, as described below).

- The faculty jurors will select scales, etudes, studies, or pieces marked with a ‘J’ from the repertoire sheet and hear representative portions that will indicate your level of proficiency.

- **Length of Jury:**
  
  1-2 credit hours: 6 minutes
  3 credit hours: 10 minutes
  4+ credit hours: 12 minutes
Organ
Organ juries are required at the end of each semester by all organ majors, regardless of curriculum or hours of credit sought, and by all non-organ majors earning three or more credits for the term.

- **Length of Jury:**
  - Up to 3 credit hours: 10 minutes
  - 3 or more credit hours: 15 minutes

- **Memorization:** Except at beginning level(s), some memorization is expected. Approximately one-third of the repertoire should be memorized by organ majors; for church music and Music Education majors, an amount will be determined by the teacher on an individual basis.

Piano

- **Selection:** From the pieces studied, the student, in collaboration with his or her teacher, will select for jury performance one work (e.g. Bach Prelude and Fugue) or substantial movement (e.g. sonata first movement) for each credit hour of study, up to 4 hours. Students taking 5 or 6 hours will also perform four works.

- **Styles:** The student should select works in contrasting styles from various periods for jury performance.

- **Memorization:** Preferably all selections will be memorized, but a minimum of 2 selections for students enrolled in up to 3 credit hours, and 3 selections for students enrolled in 4-6 credit hours.

- **Procedure:** The student may select their first piece for performance. The jury may decide to hear up to 5 minutes of this piece. The selection, order, and amount of remaining repertoire will be determined at the jury by the jury chair and other faculty jurors.

- **Length of Jury:**
  - 2 credit hours: 10 minutes
  - 3 credit hours: 12 minutes
  - 4 or more hours: 15 minutes

Exceptions: The above requirements for jury contents do not apply to students in their first semester of study at Houghton (first-years and transfers). These students will perform juries by the type and amount of jury content determined by their teachers.
Practical Keyboard

- Practical keyboard students who are *not* completing their practical keyboard sequence will take final exams during the last regular class period before the final week. Instructors may request additional faculty to hear these final exams.

- Practical Keyboard and/or Keyboard Skills students who *are* completing their practical are required to take a jury final exam during jury time.

- **Selection:** Exam and jury contents will be based on syllabus semester exam requirements, along with any further stipulations given by the instructor.

- **Semester Work Records:** Each Class Piano and Keyboard Skills student, whether taking a class exam or a jury, must submit a typed and signed Semester Work Record to the instructor one week prior to the end of the semester. Please check with the teacher for exact contents and format of the rough draft before final typing and submission.

Voice

A teacher may request a jury of any student in her or his studio, whether or not that person is a music major.

**Memorization:** Repertoire to be offered for jury examination is as follows:

- First-year students:
  - First semester: 2 memorized pieces
  - Second semester: 4 memorized pieces

- Sophomores:
  - First semester: 3 memorized pieces
  - Second semester: 5 memorized pieces

- Juniors:
  - First semester: 4 memorized pieces
  - Second semester: 6 memorized pieces

- Seniors:
  - First semester: 5 jury pieces
  - Second semester: 6 jury pieces (or recital and an independent piece)

- Graduate: Check with your applied teacher.

**Selection:** The student will choose the first selection. The jury panel will then select additional songs from the remaining indicated jury pieces. In addition, the jury may request any song on the repertoire list not marked with a “P.” Such selections may be sung with music if not yet memorized. All students will sing a minimum of two songs and a maximum of four.

**Length of Jury:** Juries will be approximately 10 minutes in length.
Music is inherently a performing art; the Greatbatch School of Music affirms this through its requirement that all students enrolled in curricula leading to the Bachelor of Music degree will present at least one solo recital as a part of their degree requirements. To assure the highest quality in required degree recitals, the GS0M presents a wide variety of recitals each year, providing opportunities for students to perform during each semester of private study.

An important auxiliary purpose of student performance is the development of active listening:

Listening to students in studio, Departmental, and Performance Seminar recitals allows the individual to see musical growth and discuss problems encountered by various students. This may include critique and evaluation by the instructor. Final results in degree recitals may then be better evaluated.

Attending Distinguished Artists events and faculty recitals provides the student with opportunities to hear musical performances at a high level of achievement. These events should provide satisfying aesthetic experiences in music through listening.

To this end, all BMus majors are required to document attendance at 14 GSoM events each semester, including all Artist Series events and all faculty recitals. All BA and BS music students must attend 10; procedures are outlined below. The calendar of events is available here, with the signers noted in the event details.

**Chamber Music & Ensemble Work**

Students wishing to perform chamber music with students other than their accompanists must secure the permission of those students’ private teachers (or ensemble director in the case of string students not studying privately) in advance.

Chamber ensemble repertoire involving such students should ideally be selected in the spring of the year before the recital, but in no case later than the first month of the semester before the recital.

**Non-Piano Accompaniments**

Students wishing to use organ or harpsichord in their recitals must clear the person playing the instrument with the harpsichord or organ instructor. Normally the only students permitted to play on those instruments are those students currently taking applied lessons on that instrument in the semester in which the recital is to be given. See the “Keyboard Instruments and Maintenance” section for restrictions on organ and harpsichord use, and related procedures in obtaining the necessary permissions.

**Degree Recital Grading**

Degree recitals shall be assigned a letter grade, determined by averaging the grades from a committee of no fewer than three faculty members in attendance at the recital. The final recital letter grade shall be reported to the student, but not to the Academic Records Office. Written comments about the recital may be included at the discretion of each faculty member. Copies of the grade report will be placed in the student's music office file.

A recital evaluation rubric shall be used by each member of the faculty committee in formulating and reporting the recital letter grade. The rubric shall be developed by the faculty within the appropriate performance area (instrumental, keyboard, voice or composition) and will take the quality of program notes
into account. Each rubric will include the following general categories (in addition to any others deemed appropriate):

- Musicality, style and faithfulness to the score
- Technical facility and note accuracy
- Quality of program notes
- Appropriate level of difficulty

Furthermore, a statement shall appear on the rubric indicating that the first two of these considerations will be given substantially more weight in the grading than the latter. Finally, each rubric will be constructed to describe, in a series of statements, what constitutes an 'A' recital, a 'B' recital, a 'C' recital, and an 'F' recital. Parallel language is helpful in this regard.

Failure of a recital occurs when a student’s calculated recital grade is below a D. Accordingly, the student must then perform a jury in that same semester, wherein the recital material will be repeated (in part or in whole). Passing this jury will equate with passing the student recital, and the jury grade will be considered the recital grade and used as such in calculations.

The applied music grade for the semester shall be determined by combining a studio grade from your teacher with the average jury or recital grade; your jury or recital is worth 60 percent of your grade, and studio work is worth 40 percent. Should the teacher elect to have a student perform both a recital and a jury in the same semester, then the recital grade will be factored in as another juror grade. An objective mathematical formula computes these numbers and percentages based on submitted grades. Late repertoire sheets will cause your grade to be docked by a letter grade (see Repertoire Reports for specific information regarding submission procedures).

This final applied grade is then reported to the studio teacher as the student’s final studio grade, and the studio teacher will then submit that final studio grade to Academic Records. No student's final semester grade may be submitted without a jury or recital grade.

**Length of Degree Recitals**

Half-length recitals are to consist of 30 minutes of music, maximum, and full-length recitals are to consist of 60 minutes of music, maximum. Please remind your private teacher of these limitations when you are selecting music for your recital. Should you find that you have more music that you wish to perform, please plan on taking advantage of a performance seminar or departmental recital. Bear in mind that exact timings of music, transitions, and other logistical considerations are crucial in your recital preparation.

A listing of GSoM events (some of which are internal but can count for recital attendance credit) is available here. Any events that are available for credit will have a signer’s information in the event details.
Performance, Concert, & Recital Types

Departmental Recitals
[These DO count for recital attendance credit]

Voice, Keyboard and Instrumental Departments individually present recitals two to four times per semester. Schedules are normally posted early in the semester. These are typically held in either the recital hall or the chapel auditorium.

Departmental forms must be filled out and approved by the studio teacher if a student is to perform on the recital. The studio teacher must then send them via email to the music office two days before the recital.

Distinguished Artists (formerly Artist Series)
[These are MANDATORY for all music majors to attend and DO count for recital attendance credit]

Distinguished Artists concerts bring top talent to the Greatbatch School of Music as one of Houghton College’s major events during the year. All music majors (BMUS, BA, and impending BS) must attend all Distinguished Artist performances.

Faculty Recitals
[These DO count for recital attendance credit]

Recitals by GSoM faculty members are to be attended by all music students.

Graduate, Senior, & Junior Recitals (Degree Recitals)
[These DO count for recital attendance credit]

NOTE: The recital recording fee for all degree recitals is $40 and is mandatory. This fee partially covers the costs of recording, editing, mastering, and producing the degree recital recording. This fee is added to your student account when registering for PERF 385, 485, or 585. Two student copies of the recording are included in this fee.

Recital expectations, by degree area, are listed below. A half recital consists of no more than 30 minutes of music, and a full recital consists of no more than 60 minutes of music.

- **Applied performance:** One half recital in the junior year and one full recital in the senior year.
- **Composition:** One half recital, normally in the senior year or the end of the junior year, prior to the student teaching experience.
- **Music Education:** One half recital, normally in the senior year or the end of the junior year, just before the student teaching experience.

Recital Expansion: Any recital expansion (an expanded Junior Recital for performance majors, or an expanded Senior Recital from 30 minutes to a full hour for Music Education, BMus w/ Non-Music Electives, and BA majors) or any added recital (a recital in the sophomore year for performance majors, or a recital in the junior year for Music Education, BMus w/ Non-Music Electives, and BA majors) must take place in the fall semester. Exceptions requested for senior Music Education students returning from student teaching must be considered on a case-by-case basis in the preceding spring when the upcoming year’s recital calendar is developed.
**Scheduling a Recital:** Studio professor’s permission is required for any full recital. When recital forms are issued during the spring semester, a student intending to give a recital the following year may request the date of the recital with the agreement of the applied teacher. These forms are numbered as they are received and, when possible, recital dates are assigned in the order that requests are received. The director has final approval for all dates, working in consultation with studio faculty.

**Partnered Recitals:** Students doing half recitals may request recital partners by mutual agreement. This choice should be indicated on the recital request form and both partners’ forms should be submitted together. If no preference is indicated, the music office will assign partners.

**Weekend Recitals:** Recitals will not be scheduled on Saturdays except under extraordinary circumstances. Approval by vote of the entire performance-area faculty is required.

**GSoM Performance Seminar (formerly the SPS)**

[These **DO** count for recital credit and are now **MANDATORY** for undergraduates]

This time for recitals occurs once a month on specified Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Recital Hall (unless otherwise noted) and is a prime opportunity to hear your student colleagues and to hone your performance skills. First preference in scheduling is given to students who are not performing degree recitals in that semester. All music majors are expected to attend unless they have a non-music class that interferes.

Forms must be filled out and approved by your studio teacher. The teacher must then forward them via email to the music office no later than 2 days before the Performance Seminar. A link to the form is below.

**Departmental/Performance Seminar Form**

**Independent Recitals (and non-degreed)**

[These **DO NOT** count for recital attendance credit]

Students who wish to give independent (e.g. not sponsored by the GSoM) performances are welcome to do so. Presser Hall can be scheduled for performances if not in use for class or rehearsal and if the desired time does not conflict with a GSoM event. Area churches or other on-campus venues may also be approached as possible performance locations.

**Major/Minor Ensemble Concerts**

[These **DO** count for recital attendance credit]

Our major ensembles (College Choir, Jazz Ensemble, Men’s Choir, Symphony Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, and Women’s Choir) and minor ensembles (Houghton A Cappella, Jazz Band) performances do count for recital attendance credit. Chamber ensembles do not usually count for credit, unless performing in a formal recital slot and pre-approved for credit by the music office.

**Master Classes, Outside Guests, etc.**

[These **MAY** count for attendance credit. You will be informed via email from the music office if one does]

Master Classes are sometimes held with outside performers who come to campus. These can sometimes count for credit if approved by the music office ahead of time.
Non-Degreed Recitals
[These MAY count for attendance credit if the performer arranges music faculty presence with the music office in advance]

**Definition:** A non-degree recital shall be defined as any solo recital presentation not directly required for degree conferral. Recitals other than those required for degree fulfillment need approval of the applied faculty member and the Dean of the GSoM. These are typically performed by students of faculty members who are not music majors.

Non-degree recitals will be scheduled after all required recitals are scheduled, in the order in which requests were received.

Studio Recitals or Classes
[These DO NOT count for credit unless held as a formal recital and approved by the music office]

Many studio teachers regularly hold recitals or classes for only their studio. The purpose of these events is to provide frequent, less formal performance opportunities and to focus on area-specific techniques.

Recital Attendance Policy & Procedures

- **Bachelor of Music** (BMus) majors must attend at least 14 recitals per semester and both Bachelor of Arts (BA) and Bachelor of Science (BS in music industry) majors must attend at least 10 recitals per semester. It is expected that these requirements will include all Distinguished Artists concerts and Performance Seminars. See the “Types of Recitals and Requirements” section for additional performances, which count for recital credit.

- Any student missing a Distinguished Artists performance must make up the concert by attending a significant off-campus concert (Buffalo Philharmonic, Rochester Philharmonic, etc.). Attendance credit for the concert requires prior approval by the Dean of the GSoM.

- Attendance at all faculty recitals is expected.

- All recital attendance deficiencies should be made up in the subsequent semester. Students will receive notification of any deficiencies during the last week of the semester. Lack of fulfillment of the requirement for 2 consecutive semesters will result in a conference with the director, who shall arrange a suitable method of correcting the deficiency in the following semester.

- Any student with recital deficiencies will not be allowed to graduate until such deficiencies are made up. Diplomas and graduation proceedings will be held or stopped if your requirements are not fulfilled.

- In general, no more than two recitals attended off-campus shall be credited towards the total required recitals unless approved by the music office.

- Music Education students are excused from recital attendance requirements during the semester of their student teaching experience.
How to Receive Attendance Credit

Recital Attendance Scan Cards
Each student at the GSoM will be provided with an individual wallet-sized Attendance Scan Card, which will include their name, the date of issuance, and a unique barcode which will reflect the student’s Campus-Wide ID Number and will be used for attendance credit purposes.

Scanning Procedure
These cards must be scanned by the designated steward (formerly the recital signer) at both your arrival and departure from the event. It is the policy of the GSoM that recital attendees be present for the entirety of the recital program in order for the performance to count for attendance credit.

1. When you arrive at the recital, please locate the faculty, staff or graduate student who will be conspicuously present in the CFA Atrium, and have your Card scanned.
2. Enjoy the recital program
3. As you leave, please locate the faculty, staff or graduate student who will be waiting in the CFA Atrium, and have your Card re-scanned.

Performers: You will find a space on the reverse side of your Attendance Card; please mark the date and time of the event that you have performed in. You will submit these dates, via email, to the music office in response to an inquiry email at the end of the semester.

Scanning Etiquette

- Please do not approach the steward during the recital to request a scan. These students are there to enjoy the concert and will be available before and after the recital.
- Please do not approach the signer later that evening or the next day and request for them to scan your Attendance Card. Not only will they refuse, but the timestamp on the log would indicate that the scan was made outside of the acceptable limits of the performance duration. Negligence to have your Attendance Card scanned at either end of the performance will result in the credit being forfeit.
- Asking another student to have your card scanned for you is not permitted – faculty, staff or graduate students will refuse to scan any Attendance Card not presented by the student that they belong to. If there is any question as to identity, it is within the rights of the scanning official to request that the student in question present their college-issued photo ID.

Recital Dress

- Departmental recitals: varies
  - Voice Department – Sunday best
  - Others – from casual to Sunday best; check with your professor
- Degree Recitals: semi-formal
  - Women: Long or street-length dresses, dress shoes
  - Men: Suit and tie or formal wear, dress shoes
- GSoM Performance Seminar: business casual
- Studio Recital: casual
Recital Etiquette for Performers and Audience Members

Performers
The recitalist should walk confidently and moderately (to center stage) followed by the accompanist and page-turner (if needed). The page-turner, if female, may precede the accompanist, if male. The page-turner may carry the music to the piano.

The recitalist and accompanist bow graciously to acknowledge the audience applause. The purpose of the bow is to thank the audience for being present. However, if applause has stopped by the time you reach your position, simply proceed. The recital then begins.

At degree recitals, bows should be taken after each set as follows:

- Recitalist bows first, then acknowledges accompanist, who stands. Both bow and leave, recitalist first, then accompanist and page-turner.

  OR

- Recitalist bows, then acknowledges the accompanist who bows seated. The recitalist bows again and leaves, as before.

The recitalist should choose one of the above procedures, practice it and endeavor to be consistent. This same etiquette should be observed at Performance Seminars and departmental recitals.

At a degree recital, if applause is offered after each song, the performer should bow gently, acknowledge the accompanist, and continue. If you wish, it is appropriate to request that the audience withhold applause until the end.

At the end of a recital, the recitalist bows, acknowledges the accompanist who stands, and then both bow and leave, recitalist first, as before. If the audience calls the recitalist back through extended applause, they should return with their accompanist and both bow. If a third call is given, the recitalist should return alone to the stage and bow.

Audience

Honor the performer by being prompt. Be seated before the program is scheduled to begin. If you are unavoidably late, remain in the foyer behind closed doors until the piece being performed is completed, then be seated in the back (or stand if there are no seats available) until a large enough break in the program occurs so that you can take your seat without causing a disturbance.

Turn off cell phones, pagers, and watch alarms before entering the venue.

Do not talk to your neighbor during pieces. Save comments for between pieces or for the intermission. Listeners and performers alike are disturbed by noisy concert-goers.
Applause Guidelines:

- Polite and gracious applause is normally offered when the performer or conductor first appears on stage.
- If a piece has several movements listed on the program, applaud only after all movements are completed.
- If two or more short pieces by the same composer are presented, applaud only after all pieces are completed.
- If several short pieces by different composers are presented, it is appropriate to applaud after each one, unless they are specifically grouped to indicate no applause.
- At the end of the program, applause is offered to indicate appreciation.
- When in doubt, wait for more knowledgeable musicians in the audience to begin the applause.

Recital Logistics (Rehearsal Time, Reception, etc.)

At the beginning of the recital semester, the student should reserve rehearsal time in the Recital Hall.

A student giving a full recital is permitted to reserve 5 hours of rehearsal time in the Recital Hall; a student giving a half recital is permitted 3 hours. Choose your hours in consultation with your applied teacher or notify them when your choices are made. Please keep in mind that scheduling requests will be granted on a first-come first-served basis.

The location of the reception (if one is held) should also be reserved. For degree recitals, the CFA Adelmann Atrium is normally used. These areas must be reserved a least one week ahead of time with the music office.

Advertising the Recital

Students are responsible for their own promotional materials, as desired. See the “Recital Preparation Checklist” for more information and suggestions.

An announcement should be placed in the Scoop (the intercampus bulletin) by the student so that it will appear one week before the recital (submission should typically be made two weeks before the recital).

Other advertising possibilities may be implemented at the student's own discretion (e.g. hometown newspapers).

Recital Crew & Stage Logistics

There is a paid recital crew that will clear the stage and do basic set up (including clearing the risers) for recitals. Set changes of any sort should be minimized. For example, it is advisable for instrumentalists to carry your own music onto the stage and set it on the stand as your enter rather having an additional entrance by the recital crew. When possible, arrange the stage so that both solo numbers with piano and ensemble numbers can be performed without a set change.

For all stage setup needs, please print and complete the Recital Set Up Form and return it to the music office at least one week in advance of the recital.

It is also advisable to ask someone to serve as stage manager for you. Coordinate with this person so that they confidently understand the logistical needs for your recital. This person should be someone, other than the members of the recital crew, whom you trust to make independent logistical decisions if the need arises.
Reception & Social Considerations
A student should not feel compelled in any way to give a reception following their recital. However, if they choose to do so, the following should be observed:

- You must inform the music office if you are planning to hold a reception - the space will not be automatically reserved for you.

- The purpose of a reception is to give the performer(s) opportunity to greet and thank their guests for being present. It also allows the performer to relax among friends. It is advisable for the performer to ask friends or family to help plan and execute the reception.

- Should there be both a 6:30 p.m. recital and an 8:00 p.m. recital, the reception for the earlier performance will be held in the Instrumental Rehearsal Hall or in CFA 145, whichever is available, in order to keep the atrium quiet for the following recital.

- Use of the Faculty Lounge kitchen is permitted for reception preparations. The expectation is that if the kitchen is used, that it is then cleaned and left in better shape than it was found. You must obtain permission from the music office in order to use it.

Etiquette:

- The student should make prior arrangements for someone to open the reception with prayer and serve as host(ess). This person should see that the reception is begun upon the arrival of the performer(s).

- The host(ess) and the recitalist should ensure that parents and special guests are escorted through the serving line first. Student attendees; please mind your manners and treat these guests with respect.
Recital Preparation Checklist
This is a useful resource, and you may benefit from a printed copy.

At the beginning of the recital semester:
- Reserve rehearsal time and space as appropriate
- Reserve reception space as needed (See Reception & Social Considerations for options)

Three weeks before the recital:
- Prepare the program – have it approved by your studio teacher and send it to Quick Print
- Prepare program notes – have them approved by your studio teacher
- Send publicity notes to the Scoop and any other source
- Send promotional material to Quick Print; posters are typically 11x17”
- Ask someone to serve as stage manager for you

A few weeks before the recital:
- Pick up and display posters
- Send program notes to Quick Print
- Ask someone to open your recital with prayer, Scripture or other suitable method
- Ask two or more friends to usher

A few days before the recital:
- Check to see that programs and program notes are finished and pick them up
- Attend to any last-minute details
- Give 3 copies of the recital program (and program notes) to the music office no later than 2 days before the recital; a recital grade cannot be assigned until this is done

Within a few days after the recital:
- Thank your performers, stage manager, ushers, and host(ess)
- Check on the status of your recital recording
Recital Programs
Degree recital programs must follow one of the approved templates (see below) and be printed at Quick Print, at the student’s cost. These templates ensure that programs are uniform and within the bounds accepted by our accrediting organizations. Program notes are required (see the Program Notes section for more details).

- **The approved templates for degree recitals** are in half-page or folded program formats (with a possible insert if needed). Program content, copying, editing, printing, and distribution is the sole responsibility of the performer.
- Programs must be reviewed and approved by your principal teacher three weeks ahead of the recital. Be sure to proofread the program; it is always recommended that you also ask someone else to proof it for you.
- The final copy (including program notes) should be sent to Quick Print no later than one week before the recital.
- **The following statements must appear at the bottom of the program** (they have been included on the approved templates for your convenience):
  - *Bottom of the last page of the program:* “Mr./Miss [your name here], a student of [your studio teacher’s name and academic title] is performing this recital in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the [choose your degree here] degree in [your pursuant degree by area and/or concentration].”
  - *Bottom of the program page:* “As a courtesy to the performers and your fellow audience members, please be certain that all cell phones, watch alarms, and pagers are either turned off or set for silent operation. Flash photography can be very disconcerting to performers and is not permitted during the performance. Thank you for your cooperation.”

Program Notes
Program notes are required for all degree recitals. Program notes act as a concise aid to the listener. Program notes constitute a formal part of the recital and are subject to recital grading procedures.

A student presenting a selection with lyrics should also provide a translation or paraphrase of all songs sung in a foreign language. Care must be taken to observe copyright laws concerning translations or paraphrases. Please note that translations are not program notes in and of themselves. Students may also wish to provide information of an historical or musical nature; this is especially appropriate for instrumental selections.

The student assumes the cost of having program notes reproduced at Quick Print.
STUDENT TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Prerequisites

1. **Education Department Courses:** All courses in the Division of Education must have been satisfactorily completed before undertaking the professional student teaching experience. These include EDUC 235 “Educating Exceptional Learners,” EDUC 202 “Topics in Professionalism,” EDUC 219 “Educational Psychology,” and EDUC 217 “Education and American Culture.”

2. **Music Department Courses:** All professional courses in the Greatbatch School of Music must have been satisfactorily completed before undertaking the student teaching experience. These specifically include all Theory and Aural Skills courses (including successful completion of the Music Education Aural Skills exam¹), at least three of the four Music History courses, all music methods courses, all required conducting courses, and all required instrumental methods courses (exceptions may occasionally be made in this final category to resolve scheduling conflicts).

3. **Field Experience:** Music Education majors are required to document 100 hours of observation, including that of professional music teachers (“observation”) as well as hours spent practiceteaching in area schools (“practicum”) in order to be approved for their student teaching experience. 70 - 75 of these hours will be acquired by taking the MED 210 “Field Experience in Music Education” course during the Mayterm of either their first or sophomore years, or by other arrangements for transfer students. The remaining 25 - 30 hours will be fulfilled as part of requirements for methods classes, professional education courses, and individual, asynchronous experiences. The Observation Report Form (acquired from the Coordinator for Music Education) must be used for the submission of all music-related hours. Required Education Department courses may supply their own reporting format.

4. It should also be noted that the New York State Department of Education requires all Music Education students to take a course in the teaching of language acquisition and literacy. This course (MED 211 “Workshop: Language Acquisition and Literacy Development”) is to be taken in conjunction with MED 210 “Field Experience in Music Education” during the Mayterm of the student’s first or sophomore year, or during their first available Mayterm for transfer students.

¹The Music Education Aural Skills exam will be given as a part of the final exam in Aural Skills III. If not passed, the exam must be repeated each semester until passed. Music Education majors must take Aural Skills for credit until the exam is passed. (Faculty action, 03 SEP ’90)
Logistics

Arrangements for housing and necessary travel logistics for the student teaching experience are the sole responsibility of the student. This is a pre-professional experience: one aspect of professional life is taking responsibility for one’s own housing and transportation. That said, the Coordinator of Music Education and the Education Department faculty will gladly assist in making these arrangements.

It will be necessary for you to return to campus for periodic meetings of the Student Teaching Seminar, Distinguished Artists, possible weekend research, etc. Therefore, access to private transportation of some sort is most useful. We endeavor to place students so that at least one of the group of students teaching near one another will have access to a car. Should that not be possible, we will endeavor to ensure a safe and reliable means of transportation to and from campus.

Housing

Housing may often be obtained near the school where you will be interning through contacts attending a church in the area, alumni in the area or teachers in the school. This rarely proves to be an issue.

On-Campus Housing

If you need to be on the campus for a brief time before the start of school, and for the week and a half to 2 weeks following the conclusion of your student teaching experience, the following procedure will apply:

- The housing office of the college will endeavor to house you in a dormitory room on a cost-per-night basis both before students return for the beginning of school and at the end of the semester. It is unlikely that the housing office will be unable to accommodate you in a dorm room. Normal drop-out, unexpected illness, etc. all contribute to the availability of beds near the end of the semester.

- In the unlikely event that all dorm beds should be full, the college has guest housing, both in the dorms and in homes in the community, which will be made available to you at a reasonable rate.

Student Teaching Duration

The student teaching experience will consist of a full semester in the field: a half-semester (seven weeks) in an elementary-level placement and a half-semester in a secondary-level placement. A required component will include attendance at the annual NYSSMA (New York State School Music Association) Winter Conference in early December generally held in Rochester, NY.

Student Teaching Orientation is usually held on the first day of classes. However, you will officially start your placement the week before Labor Day, attending school district in-service days and assisting your first mentor teacher. You may also have a Student Teaching Seminar that week.

Placements will extend until the end of the fall semester (music student teaching is not permitted in the spring semester, except in rare circumstances). Music student teaching placements often extend a week longer than those in other areas of education so that student teachers may be afforded the opportunity to conduct a piece on the school’s winter concert.

Student Teaching Seminar will generally meet on Tuesday evenings on the West Seneca/Transit Road campus. Some of the sessions will be held in conjunction with Education Department Seminars. The Seminar syllabus will outline these dates.

Attendance at the NYSSMA Winter Conference is required. Details will be explained in Seminar. The conference runs Thursday through Saturday in early December. Student teachers will be excused from a
day-and-a-half of their second placement to attend. Following the NYSSMA Winter Conference, Seminar will continue to meet in West Seneca.

**Observation & Practicum Requirement**

The Greatbatch School of Music and the New York State Department of Education deem it important for Music Education students to have opportunities to observe firsthand experienced, practicing professionals early in their training in order to: understand the nature and practical realities of the profession, be able to make an informed decision as to whether or not to pursue a career as a music educator, and gain insight regarding techniques, strategies, and methods applicable to the field of Music Education. To that end, the School of Music has initiated an observation/practicum requirement for all Music Education majors.

**Definitions**

**Observation**

An observation involves attendance in a formal music class, rehearsal, or lesson taught or directed by a professional music teacher. The observer may participate in activities, but the purpose is to simply observe the teacher’s strategies, methods, techniques, etc.

**Practicum**

It is important for Music Education students to not only observe, but to also gain practical experience as a music teacher. “Practicum” involves the actual teaching or directing of a lesson, class, or rehearsal under the supervision of a professional music teacher. For instance, a Music Education student may be asked by a professional teacher to work with a section, ensemble, or individual in an orchestra or choir. The student could be asked to teach a group or private lesson. In such situations, the Music Education student is always answerable to the professional teacher.

**Observation or Practicum Unit**

An observation or practicum experience is considered to be an entire class, lesson, or rehearsal. These situations will vary in time from 15 minutes (as in the case of some in-school private or group lessons) to an hour or more for a rehearsal (band, choir, orchestra, musical, etc). For the Music Education student to obtain maximum benefit from an observation, it is important that the entire instructional period be observed. In some cases, a student could observe a class or rehearsal and, during the course of it, be asked to teach a portion of the class or lead a sectional rehearsal while the remainder of the ensemble continues to rehearse, thus obtaining practicum experience. While there is no specified requirement, students are strongly encouraged to seek a balance between the number of observational and practicum experiences. A student should not only observe, but also seek opportunities to gain “hands-on” experience. Inversely, a student should also endeavor to find opportunities to purely observe lessons in their entirety. Items on the documentation form will direct the student to indicate whether the situation is observation, practicum, or both.

**Requirement Terminology & Definitions**

Each Music Education major will be required to document (see “Documentation” below) 100 hours of observation or practicum before they can be approved for student teaching. These all must be completed and the required observation report forms submitted to the Coordinator of Music Education by the first day back from February/Winter Break of the spring semester prior to their student teaching experience.

**Qualifications for Observation & Practicum Experience**

Any formal music class, lesson, or rehearsal in a formal educational elementary or secondary institution (i.e., public school, Christian school, parochial school, etc.) taught by a professional music educator
qualifies for observation/practicum experience. Observation/practicum experiences are assigned in methods classes in both the Music and Education Departments. These experiences must be documented for the Music Education program requirement as well as for the classes. For example, an observation submitted in fulfillment of a requirement for the “Educating Exceptional Learners” class (EDUC 235) may also be documented and submitted toward the Music Education program requirement provided that it meets the qualifications explained above. Similarly, observation/practicums submitted in fulfillment of a Music Education methods course such as Elementary School Methods (MED 405A) may also be submitted for this requirement. Any questionable situations should be approved by the Coordinator of Music Education before they are completed and submitted.

**Documentation**

Official documentation forms must be obtained from the Coordinator of Music Education. They are to be filled out completely and in duplicate; one copy is to be given to the Music Education Coordinator to be kept on file, and one copy is to be kept by the student. Both copies must be signed by the teacher being observed or supervising the practicum experience (completed and signed forms may be photocopied). It is the student’s responsibility to see to it that their file is accurate and up-to-date. The student may contact the Coordinator of Music Education to examine their file.

**Scheduling Observation & Practicum**

Observation and practicum experiences are to be scheduled by the student. Schedules and telephone numbers for teachers in the Houghton area are available from the Coordinator of Music Education. The teacher may be contacted directly no less than two days prior to the anticipated observation/practicum (three to five days are recommended). Students are strongly encouraged to schedule experiences in their hometown areas during college breaks. If a student intends to be absent from a Houghton College class or large ensemble rehearsal, permission must be obtained from the teacher or director of the class or ensemble before it is scheduled. Permission to be excused is entirely at the discretion of the teacher or director. An observation/practicum experience should not be scheduled such that a student is absent from a rehearsal within two weeks of an ensemble’s performance. The student is expected to exercise responsible early planning and discernment in the scheduling of these experiences.

**Time-frame**

All 100 hours must be documented and on file with the Coordinator of Music Education by the first day back from February/Winter Break of the semester before student teaching. Failure to complete this requirement by this date may result in the student teaching semester being postponed for one year. When the Teacher Education Committee meets in February and March to consider approval of students for student teaching, this requirement for Music Education majors will be considered along with other criteria. At that time, students will be notified regarding their observation/practicum requirement status.

**Unfulfilled Requirement**

If a student lacks the required number of observation and practicum hours by the time the Teacher Education Committee meets, the Committee will defer approval for student teaching until they are notified by the Coordinator of Music Education that the requirement has been met. Depending upon the number of remaining observation and practicum hours needed, the student may need to submit a formal Letter of Petition to the Coordinator of Music Education. It must contain the following information: an explanation as to why the requirement has not yet been met, and what the student intends to do to remedy the situation. The School of Music and the Education Committee will review the document and make recommendations accordingly.
SCHOLARSHIPS

Through the generosity and the investing policies of Houghton’s alumni, friends, and financial stewards, funds are available to meritorious music students who meet the award criteria.

All endowed scholarships are awarded by full faculty vote. These awards are made from endowed funds; the number and size of annual awards is dependent on the performance of the investments in which the principal resides. (Revised 2013)

In addition to performance grants, the following scholarships are available:

Professor John M. Andrews String Scholarship
Given in memory of Professor Emeritus John M. Andrews by his family. An award to be given to a talented Christian string students.

Wilfred & Mary Bain Scholarship
An award for a music student of ‘significant talent and interest in music…’ preference shall be given to students who are voice students and, most particularly, students who exhibit talent and interest in opera performance.

Joanne L. Bingham Scholarship
An award given to a deserving BMus student at the beginning of the second semester of their senior year who has a positive Christian testimony, maintains at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA by the end of their junior year, shows musical ability, and exhibits Christian leadership.

James Brokaw II Scholarship
Awarded to a junior or senior voice or pre-med student (alternates between music and science department nominations) of financial need who maintains at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA, and has a solid Christian testimony.

Carolyn Keil Campbell Scholarship
An award given to assist ‘worthy, promising, and needy music students.’

Clint A. Clifford Endowed Scholarship
An award given to a single Music Education student with at least a 3.0 GPA, renewable if the GPA is maintained.

Frederick C. Denham Organ Scholarship
Awarded to an organ student with financial need, preferably one involved in, or focusing on, church worship.

Florence B. Dodds Music Scholarship
Award(s) given annually to music student(s) with unmet financial need. Preference is given to sophomore music students who received a non-renewable Freshman Music Award. The Dodds scholarship is renewable based on satisfactory academic and musical performance, and continuation as a music major.
Charles Finney Endowed Scholarship
An award given to a BMus major, with preference shown to organ majors or minors, then to music students intending careers in church music, and finally to any music major.

Dr. & Mrs. Devere Gallup Scholarship
Awarded to a “worthy and promising” music or science student. Awarding typically alternates or is split between the departmental nominees.

Nancy Connor Good Music Education Fund
Awarded to a Music Education student focusing on piano who has demonstrated solid Christian commitment and has financial need.

Mimi Hwang Memorial Scholarship
Awarded to a music major. Priority will be given to a music major with a vocal emphasis, and/or a student originating from Asia.

Ethel Boyce Johnson Music Scholarship
Awarded to a junior or senior music major with financial need.

Walter T. Knox Scholarship
Awarded to a graduate student.

Robert R. Mackenzie Scholarship
Awarded to a sophomore, junior, or senior music major who exhibits “merit, talent, and creativity.”

S. Hugh & Wilfrieda Paine Music Scholarship
Given by Rev. & Mrs. Carl Vanderburg in memory of the parents of Stephen XV. & S. Hugh Paine. This scholarship is awarded annually to outstanding Christian music students, particularly those with financial need.

Presser Foundation Scholarship
To be awarded to an outstanding student following the end of their junior year. Award amount varies (normally around $4,000), based solely on merit. Four criteria, established by the Houghton music faculty, are to be considered as follows:
- Musical excellence
- Academic standing
- Christian testimony
- Exemplification of the goals of the School of Music

The recipient shall be designated ‘the Presser Scholar’ in their senior year.

Dr. George Seher Scholarship
Awarded to a junior or senior music or pre-med student with financial need.
Jacob and Marie Smith Church Music Scholarship
Awarded to a student planning on a career in church music or organ.

Willard G. and Mae L. Smith Scholarship
Awarded to music majors, particularly those interested in or pursuing music ministry.

Paul & Mildred Temple Scholarship
Awarded to a music major (or sometimes a music minor), with preference given to students from the NY State counties of Chautauqua or Cattaraugus.

Dorothy Yahn Walrath Organ Scholarship
An award toward tuition for a BMus student whose major is organ. Criteria to include good character, Christian faith, financial need, scholastic excellence, preparation for a career in church work or college teaching, and excellence as a public performer.

Linford C. Wilcox Endowed Scholarship
Preference given to a violin major.

Robert W. Woods Memorial Scholarship
Scholarship(s) to be awarded to a junior or senior. Criteria:
- Major in church music or a related field that would contribute to church-related music.
- Based on talent and contributions to the field of church music.
- Consideration to be given to financial need, personality, and character.

Marilyn York Scholarship
Unrestricted award to be given to a Christian music major.