MUSIC PERFORMANCE, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description
The minor in music performance serves a wide variety of needs among the students who elect it. Those who have studied voice or an instrument through their high school years may pursue that study at a more advanced level. Participants in bands, orchestras, and choirs want to continue that activity at a higher level. Some find the minor an important adjunct to other studies such as speech pathology and audiology, speech communication, or broadcasting. This minor provides students in very demanding majors to build music performance into their lives as a balancing influence.

What is Music?
Italian composer Ferruccio Busoni said "music is sonorous air." A more scientific definition might be "sounds organized in time." With a history that likely pre-dates language, music is an integral part of all societies for expression, communication and the fostering of community. In the words of philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche, "without music, life would be a mistake."

You Might Like This Program If...
• You studied music and performed in ensembles before college and want to continue study of your instrument/voice and performing.
• You will be pursuing a non-music degree, but can see that music will be a life-long passion.

Entrance to the Minor
Admission to the minor depends upon a successful performance audition.

Additional Information
For more specific information on entrance procedures, please visit the website for the College of Arts and Architecture (https://music.psu.edu/admissions/undergraduate/undergraduate-application-process/).

Program Requirements

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A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 (https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10).
In addition, at least six credits of the minor must be unique from the prescribed courses required by a student’s major(s).

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