Take your keyboard performance to the next level and expand your repertoire of solo and chamber works through individualized instruction with renowned faculty and visiting guest artists in the School of Music, Dance and Theatre at ASU.

Program Description

The BMus in performance with a concentration in keyboard is a program that focuses on the study of literature and techniques of the piano or organ. Goals include enabling students to express themselves musically while emphasizing the skills necessary to pursue a career as a professional musician. The course of study includes extensive performance experience.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts](#)
- **Location:** Tempe campus
- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** No
- **First Required Math Course:** Any math course that meets the MA designation.
- **Math Intensity:** General

Required Courses (Major Map)

[2022 - 2023 Major Map](#)
[Major Map (Archives)](#)

Concurrent Program Options
Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

**Admission Requirements**

**General University Admission Requirements:**
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.

[Freshman] | [Transfer] | [International] | [Readmission]

**Additional Requirements:**

**Important:** Applicants must submit an ASU application for undergraduate admission in addition to a separate School of Music, Dance and Theatre application. Students should visit [https://musicdancetheatre.asu.edu/admissions/music/undergraduate-steps-to-apply](https://musicdancetheatre.asu.edu/admissions/music/undergraduate-steps-to-apply) for details. Admission to the School of Music, Dance and Theatre is based on an audition. Auditions take place in November (spring admission) and in January and February (fall admission) of each year. Applicants may review audition information at [https://musicdancetheatre.asu.edu/admissions/music/undergraduate-auditions](https://musicdancetheatre.asu.edu/admissions/music/undergraduate-auditions).

Admission to the music program is highly selective and based on an audition process. Students are admitted as music audition students and must successfully complete the audition before enrolling in music major courses. Upon admission to both ASU and the School of Music, Dance and Theatre, the applicant's major will be changed to music. In the event a student is admitted to ASU but not to the School of Music, Dance and Theatre or misses the audition deadline, the student will remain as a music audition major and will need to successfully pass the music audition milestone in the first semester in order to gain admission into the program.

**Application Deadlines:** Students should visit [https://musicdancetheatre.asu.edu/admissions/music/undergraduate-deadlines-fees](https://musicdancetheatre.asu.edu/admissions/music/undergraduate-deadlines-fees) for complete music deadlines.

**Spring admission:** The deadline to apply for admission to this program is October 15.

**Fall admission:** The deadline to apply for admission to this program is January 5.

**Transfer Admission Requirements:**

**Transfer Applicants:** Transfer of courses from other accredited institutions is subject to the existence of parallel and equal courses in the college's curriculum, and departmental or school evaluation of studio and class piano courses with respect to performance standards.

Every candidate for the bachelor's degree must earn a minimum of 30 hours in resident credit at ASU. Transfer students enrolled in the institute must complete a minimum of 15 resident credit hours in the major as approved by the faculty.
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**Change of Major Requirements**

An ASU student who would like to change majors to one offered by the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 (scale is 4.00 = "A").

Students should refer to [https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu](https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu) for information about how to change a major to this program.

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**Transfer Options**

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use MyPath2ASU™ to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: [https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU](https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU).

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**Global Opportunities**

**Global Experience**

Students who experience music in different countries can expand their understanding of musical performance. With over 250 programs in more than 65 countries (programs vary in length, from one week to one year), study abroad is possible for all ASU students who wish to acquire global skills and knowledge in preparation for a 21st century career. Students earn ASU credit for completed courses, while staying on track for graduation, and they may apply financial aid and scholarships toward program costs. [https://goglobal.asu.edu](https://goglobal.asu.edu/)

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**Career Opportunities**
Graduates are prepared to work in various professional or entrepreneurial capacities, including:

- performing as a concert soloist or in chamber music ensembles
- performing as a freelance musician in venues such as art galleries, churches, clubs, cruise ships, resorts, restaurants and theme parks
- presenting school programs or serving on state or community arts councils as artist-in-residence
- recording and studio work
- teaching privately or in a professional music school, a college or a university program
- working in music-related fields such as media production, music business, publishing and marketing

Many graduates pursue a master's degree or a doctorate in music or in another professional field.

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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