

Auditions in Wind Studies

Auditions begin third Saturday of February through the spring

*****ISU Application Deadline for Academic Scholarships: February 15*****

All prospective ISU students who wish to be recognized as music majors or minors must be accepted by the Music Department through the following four steps.*

(*Auditions for non-majors/scholarships only require a performance audition.)

Step 1: Apply ONLINE to the Music Department & schedule audition time

- Submit your application online BEFORE your audition date:
<https://www.isu.edu/music/>
- Call (208) 282-3636 to schedule your audition time

Step 2: Performance Audition (on Audition Day)

Be prepared to play the following:

- Any prepared major/minor scales and arpeggios
- Chromatic scale over the range of the instrument
- One portion of a solo work (with or without accompaniment) and one other contrasting etude/study/exercise; OR two contrasting etudes/studies/exercises
- Possible sight-reading
- Jazz auditions: Prepare one standard chart for your instrument. Optional improvisation.

Step 3: Placement Exams in Music Theory & Piano (on Audition Day)

- Used to determine the initial levels of class placement in Music Theory and Class Piano.
- No previous study and/or knowledge is required
- Exams are best taken on the same day as the Performance Audition and Personal Interview.

Step 4: Personal Interview (on Audition Day)

- Conducted by the audition committee after the Performance Audition. This is used to determine the student's readiness for college, and whether the student has the necessary qualifications, potential, and interest to pursue a career in music. Be prepared to speak about why you are interested in majoring in music, and what has inspired your interest.