The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Department of Music

Bachelor of Arts in Music 2022 Entry

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Founded in 1965, the Music Department of CUHK has provided academic and practical training in music for over half a century.

Our B.A. in Music programme provides instruction in the study of music both as a humanistic discipline and as a profession. The well-balanced curriculum places equal emphasis on practice-led and academic studies, and fosters the development of musicianship, creativity, and critical thinking. It also equips students with an informed understanding of music in Western, Chinese and world musical traditions.







Senior Year Admission

This programme aims to provide academic training to local students who wish to get a Bachelor's degree after obtaining an associate degree or higher diploma in Music, and is intended for those interested in the academic study of music. Please visit CUHK's admission website for admission requirement details.

Our Faculty

The international teaching team of the Music Department comprises scholars and composers with strong track records in research publications and concert presentations, as well as a deep commitment to teaching. Through studying with our prestigious teachers, students can advance their musical creativity and knowledge in specialised areas.

Training in performance is offered by Hong Kong's leading professional musicians, including members of the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra, the Hong Kong Sinfonietta, and the Hong Kong Chinese Orchestra.



Scholarships and Awards

As students of Chung Chi College, music students are eligible to compete for numerous scholarships and awards. Many of our graduates receive major funding to continue their studies overseas.



Co-Curricular Activities



The Chung Chi Choir, Chung Chi Orchestra and Chung Chi Wind Orchestra hold concerts on a regular basis. In addition, the Department organizes numerous research colloquia, workshops, masterclasses and concerts by renowned scholars, performers and composers from both Hong Kong and overseas, and hosts Ensemble-in-Residence programme every year.

Music Major

The four-year B.A. in Music programme offers a choice of four study streams: composition, pedagogy, performance, and research (selected at the end of Year 2). In the first two years of study, students take courses that provide the foundation for later specialization. In Year 3, students focus more on their selected stream, and in Year 4 complete capstone courses. In addition, students may choose electives on diverse topics, including electronic music, conducting, ensembles, and advanced academic courses in Western and Chinese music history, theory and analysis, and world musics.





Music Minor

In addition to the B.A. in Music, the Department also offers a minor in music, allowing students in other departments to choose from a wide range of music courses.



Facilities

The Lee Hysan Concert Hall is the Music Department's main performance venue. Its acoustics are considered among the finest in Asia.

Chung Chi Library, just a short walk from the Music Department, is home to one of the largest collections of music materials in Asia, including 30,000 books, 28,000 scores, and 14,000 audio recordings.

Within the Music Department, the Centre for Chinese Music Studies contains 12,000 books, journals and scores, 12,000 gramophone records, over 6,000 recordings in other multimedia formats, and over 17,000 items about Chinese Opera.

The Department's instrument collection includes 40 pianos, two electronic organs, two harpsichords, two pipe-organs, and several hundred Western, Chinese, and world musical instruments. The Department also houses an electronic music studio.



Our Graduates

Over half of our recent graduates have gone on to further studies, with about 70% of these students pursuing higher degrees overseas. Graduates who join the work force after completion of the B.A. have taken up careers in teaching, arts administration, and broadcasting.

Admission

For the admission requirements and insider application tips, please visit the Department website.





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