Bachelor of MUSIC (HONOURS)

Compose, play and research. Gain the practical skills and theoretical knowledge to pursue a successful career in music.

The School of Music at The University of Queensland (UQ) creates inspired and informed music that engages deeply with real-world challenges and opportunities. Through a distinctive four year Honours program, you will develop strong foundations in your musical craft and prepare to build your career as a professional musician.

The School’s dynamic environment and vibrant community manifests in an active performance schedule both on and off-campus, with staff, students and guest performers interacting with each other constantly. Students receive numerous opportunities to perform in real-world settings through master classes, performances at the Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC), overseas venues, internship programs with the Queensland Symphony Orchestra, and the UQ Study Abroad program.

With core sequences in performance and composition, our courses are practice-led with students undertaking individual lessons, ensemble performances, lectures and tutorials. The School’s long tradition of excellence in musicianship, aural and music history ensures that graduates have broad knowledge of musical discourses.

Our curriculum creates space and opportunities for students to find their own paths. While honing performance skills, you can also explore electives in the Psychology of Music, Music Technology, Popular Music, and Musicology.

The integrated Honours program assists students in developing their capacity as critical thinkers and enhancing their potential as performers and researchers. By developing a broad range of skills, students are equipped with highly transferable abilities, making them well positioned to adapt to a changing professional world.

As a graduate with an Honours qualification, you’ll have the skills and knowledge to be a leader in your field. Many of our Honours graduates continue their passion for research and knowledge by pursuing postgraduate studies.

You must audition to enrol in this program: music.uq.edu.au/study/bachelor-music-honours-auditions

If successful, you will undertake practical study in your chosen instrument or the human voice for the first three years of the program, as well as courses in musicology, musicianship, and electives in other music study areas, followed by a research project in the final year of the program.

The UQ Bachelor of Music (Honours) can be combined with the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Bachelor of Education (Secondary).
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Program code: 2355

Program duration
The Bachelor of Music (Honours) is offered as a 64 unit 4 years full-time program.

Entry requirements
Queensland Year 12 (or equivalent) English and audition/interview; a pass in a test of practical ability and musicianship skills.*

* Note: Selection is based on audition, interview and academic results. OP/Entry Rank cut-offs do not apply.

Intake
Semester 1

How to apply
Information about application procedures can be found at:
future-students.uq.edu.au/apply

Be part of a school that creates leaders in music performance, composition and research.

Choose from a range of courses including
• Chamber Ensemble Studies
• Conducting
• Contemporary Art Music
• Counterpoint
• Creative Music Making
• Indigenous Australian Music
• Music Analysis and Criticism
• Music, Cognition and Development
• Music in the Digital Age
• Music Technology for Live Performance
• Music, Wellbeing and Health
• Musicianship
• Musicology and Early Music
• Performance and Ensemble Studies
• Sound Recording Practice

The benefits
• Flexible program structure.
• Inspiring courses delivered by internationally acclaimed music professionals.
• Network with major Australian performance organisations.
• Join a vibrant culture.