

Faculty Handbook

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Office Directory 2017-2018

Director's Office - Room 208 Director: Martha Sutter - Room 208

Assistant Director for Academic Affairs: Dr. Jill Coggiola - Room 108B

Assistant Director for Operations: Michelle Taylor - Room 301

Budget Administrator: Megan Carlsen - Room 208

Department of Applied Music and Performance

Chair: Steven Heyman - Room 310

Administrative Specialist: Fran Moore - Room 402

Choral Activities

Director: Dr. John Warren - Room 302

Band Activities

Director: Dr. Bradley Ethington - Room 401

Orchestral Activities

Director: Dr. James Tapia - Room 110

Keyboard Area

Co-Coordinators: Ida Trebicka - Room 210; Dr. Anne Laver - Room 122A

Strings Area

Coordinator: Laura Bossert - Room 405B

Voice Area

Coordinator: Janet Brown - Room 304A

Woodwinds, Brass, Percussion Area

Coordinator: Dr. Bradley Ethington - Room 401

Department of Music Composition, Theory, and History

Chair: Dr. Joseph Downing - Room 120D

Department of Music Education

Chair: Dr. John Coggiola - Room 108C

Department of Music Industry and Technologies

Chair: William DiCosimo - Room 119D

Music Industry Program (B.M. in Music Industry; BM/MBA: Music Industry Minor)

Coordinator: William DiCosimo - Room 119D

Sound Recording Technology Program (B.M. in Sound Recording Technology)

Coordinator: James Abbott - Room 406

Bandier Program (B.S. in Recording and Allied Entertainment Industries)

Director: Bill Werde - Smith, Room 226

Jazz Studies

Director: Dr. John Coggiola - Shaffer, Room 202C

General Information

Website

The <u>SETNOR SCHOOL OF MUSIC WEBSITE</u> includes a wealth of information that is regularly updated. The resources portion of the site, <u>SETNOR RESOURCES</u>, provides access to the *Setnor Undergraduate Studies Handbook*, Advising Check Sheets, and Student Recital Forms and links to other student services. Plan to use these resources often!

Program Fees

Setnor students are charged a music program fee that covers a variety of expenses such as guest artists, master classes, travel, classroom supplies, musical instruments, equipment, technology, lessons, and so forth. The music program fee covers principal and secondary performance area lessons required by Setnor's BA and BM degree programs and a 1-credit lesson per semester for students in the BS program.

Any other elective lessons a student takes beyond those required for their degree program requires an additional lesson fee. Additional fees are also charged for courses requiring rental, replacement, or repair of instruments.

Alcohol Policy

No alcohol is to be served at any Setnor School of Music reception, regardless of location, or any event held in Setnor Auditorium, or elsewhere in Crouse College. This prohibition is School of Music policy, and stands even when Campus Catering may be willing to provide alcohol. It is recognized that we share the building with the administrative offices of VPA, who may have different policies.

E-mail

All faculty members will have a Syracuse University e-mail account (<u>username@syr.edu</u>). Although you may also maintain another personal e-mail account, you should check your SU e-mail on a regular basis, as <u>all official University</u> and School of Music correspondence is sent through the SU address.

Identification Cards

Once a contract is signed, returned, and the faculty member has been put on the university system, an ID card can be obtained in Steele Hall. This can be used for the university library. It can also be used for after-hours entry to Crouse College, but first must be entered by the Assistant Director of Operations in Rm. 301 or e-mail mjtaylor@syr.edu with questions or concerns.

Keys

All keys are issued in Room 301. Please keep in mind that security is an on-going concern. Classroom keys also fit classroom stereo equipment. Teaching studio keys fit the studio computer cabinet. Only the graduate student in the office is able to distribute keys. Please Do NOT request keys from a workstudy student – they cannot access them. To arrange use of a key, please e-mail Setnorga@gmail.com.

If you require access to room 301 during non-office hours, please e-mail Michelle at mjtaylor@syr.edu

Mailboxes

Mailboxes for faculty are located in room 301 and are accessible during standard business hours. Please check and empty your mailbox regularly. Packages are left beside the mailboxes.

Office and Classroom Supplies

Standard office and classroom supplies are available in 301 Crouse College.

Computers, Network connection, Printers, etc

The Office of Information Technology supports the College of Visual and Performing Arts' technological needs efficiently and effectively. The office is responsible for equipment owned by SU:VPA and located on campus. Off-campus service is not provided. To contact them with questions or concerns, please e-mail vpahelp@syr.edu or log into OrangeTracker at https://ot.syr.edu/secure/Dashboard.jspa. Please be sure to respond promptly if they send emails so they can assist with your concerns.

Technical Assistance in Classrooms

If you need help with classroom technology, please call the help desk at 443-2677 for the quickest response. Support hours are Mon-Thu 8 am-8 pm, and Fri 8 am-5 pm. The Learning Environments staff is also happy to help meet with individual faculty in their teaching location to assist with specific needs regarding the classroom technology. Please also email mjtaylor@syr.edu if you have any problems so she can follow up with the Learning Environments staff in case there are any repairs needed.

Maintenance

If you have a problem in a room that requires maintenance, repair or custodial assistance, please call the office in 301 at extension 2191 or e-mail mjtaylor@syr.edu. If you need assistance after hours for an emergency, such as a leak, plumbing problem, etc, please call 443-1234 immediately.

Parking

Applications for faculty/staff parking permits are available through MySlice or via the form on the Parking and Transit Services website: http://parking.syr.edu/permits/employee-parking-application/ Location of parking is determined by seniority and availability. Significant fees are charged.

Faculty wishing to arrange parking during non-event hours for Guest Artists/VIPs must complete the **IRVING GARAGE**PARKING REQUEST in advance. Do not send e-mails or call in requests. Last minute requests cannot be accommodated.

Parking for concerts is generally available in Q1, but specific information for events will be listed on the **WEBSITE CALENDAR.**

Paychecks

Paychecks are available in Rm. 301 when the office is open. Checks are issued on the 15th and the last banking day of each month. When the 15th falls on a Saturday, checks are available the previous day. When the 15th falls on a Sunday, checks are available the following day. PLEASE CONSIDER making arrangements for direct deposit online through MySlice.

Payments

All expenditures must be pre-approved by the Setnor School of Music Director via the proper form. Payments to individuals require name, country of citizenship, permanent address, and social security number and take approximately four weeks to process. Note that non-resident aliens from countries without signed tax agreements with the US will have a percentage deducted from their payment for taxes. All invoices from vendors must be billed to Syracuse University. Invoices should

not have faculty names on them.

FORMS FOR FACULTY FUNDING

Pay Request for Faculty, Students and Non-SU Employees (Additional Pay Request)

Purchase Request Form

Adjunct Studio Class Request Form

Adjunct Studio Class Record

Employee Expense Reimbursement Form (for items like purchases of books, etc – not for travel)

Photocopying

The Photocopier is in Rm. 301. Faculty are responsible for making their own copies, although work study students may be able to provide assistance if requested in advance through the Operations Office. Each faculty member has a code for their use. Any student asked to make copies for a class should confirm the code with the faculty member teaching that class. Copies for personal use are not authorized. The machine tracks the copies made. In an effort to save trees and keep copying costs down, faculty are encouraged to make use of e-mail attachments, "Blackboard" on-line classroom methods, web pages, or created "readers" as alternate means of distributing handouts to students. Please be **VERY** conscious of copyright concerns.

Guest Artists

Any guests that faculty would like to bring to campus, that will be receiving funds from Syracuse University, must first be approved via a <u>GUEST ARTIST REQUEST FORM</u>. Once funds have been approved, the Director's Office will generate a letter of agreement that will be sent to the faculty host as well as the guest artist. It is the responsibility of the faculty host to be the main point of contact between the University and the guest for all arrangements.

Faculty Travel

University policy requires that "travel involving University office, departmental, or similar funds requires prior authorization by the traveler's supervisor" http://supolicies.syr.edu/admin/travel.htm.

For **Full-Time Faculty**, approval for travel and funding is obtained by submitting a **SETNOR SCHOOL OF MUSIC TRAVEL REQUEST**. Please visit the **SETNOR RESOURCES** page for Faculty Travel Steps and the **EMPLOYEE TRAVEL VOUCHER**. Full-Time Faculty will also be required to submit a VPA Program Development Request for each trip requested. That form is handled by VPA Academic Affairs and will be provided to faculty at the start of the semester. The VPA form must be completed and handed in to the Director's office before any decision will be made about funding for a trip.

Requests will then be reviewed by the Director, and faculty will receive an email stating whether or not they have been approved for the trip and what their funding will be. Funds for travel are available on a limited basis (normally a percentage of the full travel cost.) Travel should be a benefit to students and the Setnor School of Music. Travel funds may be requested for:

- Presentations at professional conferences.
- Non-paid performances, or performances for which the remuneration is not equal to the expense.
- Attendance at festivals/conferences deemed essential for professional development.

• Recruiting (These funds normally will come from the office of Recruiting, please contact them at x2769 for more information. Faculty should NOT complete the Setnor Travel Request form if they are doing recruiting, auditions, or an event for VPA Admissions.)

If you are requesting funds from SU, no travel may occur without submitting a Setnor Travel Request and receiving a confirmation email with an approved budget. Once faculty have received an approval and budget, they may then move forward with making their own arrangements for airfare, hotel, etc.

The Setnor School of Music will no longer be making travel arrangements on behalf of faculty. Instead, faculty can use whatever method they prefer for booking travel. Travel advances are also available if the paperwork is completed at least 6 weeks prior to travel. Upon returning from a trip, receipts and completed reimbursement paperwork for all expenses must be submitted within one week. It will be the faculty member's responsibility to complete the reimbursement paperwork correctly, and bring it to the Director's office in 208 Crouse College for signatures. Only original and legible receipts will be accepted. Please see the Setnor Microsite for links to all the required forms.

Part-Time Faculty are encouraged to request funding for travel through Adjuncts United. Please see the website for more information. http://humanresources.syr.edu/resources/faculty/adjuncts-united/ Please check with them directly with any questions about the process. The paperwork must be completed and turned into the Director's Office in 208 Crouse College for signatures, and then it will be forwarded to Adjuncts United. https://humanresources.syr.edu/resources/faculty/adjuncts-united/ Please check with them directly with any questions about the process. The paperwork must be completed and turned into the Director's Office in 208 Crouse College for signatures, and then it will be forwarded to Adjuncts United. https://humanresources.syr.edu/resources/faculty/adjuncts-united/ Please check with them directly with any questions about the process. The paperwork must be completed and turned into the Director's Office in 208 Crouse College for signatures, and then it will be forwarded to Adjuncts United. https://humanresources.syr.edu/resources/faculty/adjuncts-united/ Please check with them directly with any questions about the Director's Office in 208 Crouse College for signatures, and then it will be forwarded to Adjuncts United. Therefore, Part-time instructors should not complete the Setnor Travel request, since they will be submitting the Adjuncts United Request instead.

Leave of Absence Application

The Setnor School of Music Director must provide a letter of support to accompany faculty applications for a Leave of Absence (aka sabbatical). The Director needs time for discussions with the appropriate department's faculty members and the Executive Committee before making a decision. Therefore, those faculty members wishing to apply for a Leave of Absence must submit the full proposal to the Director as follows:

- Spring Semester Leaves of Absence: by October 15 of the preceding year (e.g. 15 OCT 17 for an LOA in Spring 2019)
- Fall Semester Leaves of Absence: by March 15 of the preceding year (e.g. 15 MAR 17 for an LOA in Fall 2018)

Course Load Reduction for Research, Scholarship or Creative Activity

Faculty members may apply for a load reduction to provide time to conduct research or engage in scholarly or creative activity beyond what can be accomplished normally. Such projects might include a book project, major commission, recording projects, major concerts, and so forth. There are the following three options for a course release:

- Buy Out: The faculty member pays the salary and fringe for a replacement instructor(s).
- Departmental Redistribution: A member (or members) of the faculty member's department take on overloads to replace the work that the faculty member would have accomplished.
- Reduction Grant: The faculty member is granted a reduction and the school bears the cost of hiring a replacement instructor.

Procedures:

- Faculty member should discuss a reduction with his/her department chair well in advance.
 - o Faculty member presents plan for his/her replacement (A, B or C option, covering teaching and service, etc.).
- The department chair, working with faculty as appropriate, recommends a plan to the SSoM Director to replace the individual.
- The SSoM Director takes all applications to the Executive Committee for review and recommendation.

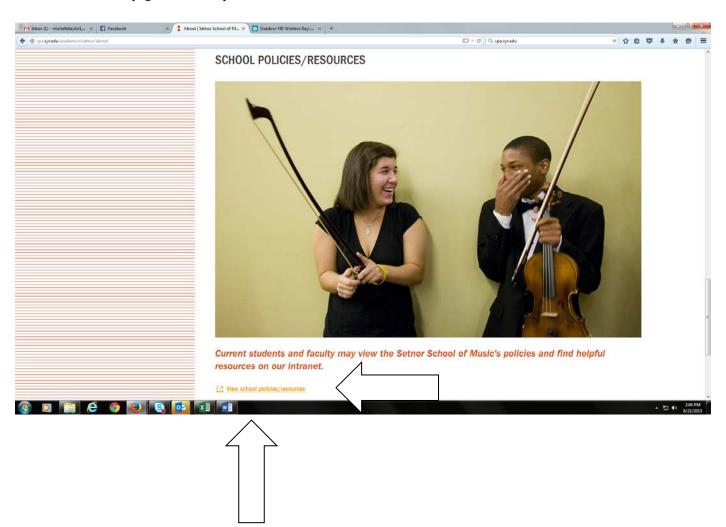
NOTE: It is best if a load reduction is planned far in advance (at least a semester ahead of time).

The <u>SETNOR MICROSITE</u> contains among other things, useful student and faculty resources including the Syllabus Template, Setnor Faculty By-Laws, Committee Assignments and Meeting Schedules, Poster Template, the Setnor sponsored Program Template, the Faculty Recital and Ensemble Performance forms, various funding request forms, as well as the Faculty Handbooks. These can all be found <u>SETNOR RESOURCES</u>.

Faculty may also find some of the documents in the student resource section useful, such as the Setnor Undergraduate and Graduate Student Handbooks, Advising Check Sheets, and the Student Recital Information. Please send any website updates to mitaylor@syr.edu.

To access the faculty materials use this link: **SETNOR RESOURCES** or, from the VPA Website:

- go to http://vpa.syr.edu/academics/setnor/
- click on "About"
- go to the bottom of the page and click on View school policies/resources
- click on the page for "Faculty and Staff"



Assistance Services

Career Services

Web: <u>careerservices.syr.edu</u>
Email: <u>careers@syr.edu</u>
Phone: 315.443,3616

Where: 303 University Place, Suite 235

Career Services is open to all University students, offering a wide range of services ranging from resume/CV reviews, mock interviews, internship searches, exploration of majors and career options, alumni mentoring opportunities, and more. Students and alumni are offered same-day services during our drop-in hours, and they can schedule

Counseling Center

Web: <u>counselingcenter.syr.edu</u>

Phone: 315.443.4715 Where: 200 Walnut Place

Services include individual counseling, group counseling, consultation, referral, psychiatric consultation. All full-time undergraduate and graduate students are eligible for confidential services. Students may call to make an appointment with such concerns as family and relationship problems, loneliness, homesickness, confusion, anxiety, depression, low self-esteem, lack of self-confidence, eating disorders, alcohol and other drug abuse issues.

Office of Disability Services (ODS)

Web: <u>disabilityservices.syr.edu</u> Email: <u>disabilityservices@syr.edu</u>

Phone: 315.443.4498

Where: 804 University Ave. - Suite 303

The Office of Disability Services (ODS) is the designated campus office that facilitates access for students with documented disabilities. Students with a disability, who plan to request accommodations, must contact the Office of Disability Services as soon as possible in order to enhance academic success. Students with disabilities may choose to self-disclose at any time. However, in order to ensure sufficient time to arrange for and provide auxiliary aids and services, requests for accommodations should be made as early as possible. It is important to provide ODS with specific disability-related documentation from a qualified professional. Guidelines for preparing and submitting this documentation can be obtained at ODS or on the web site.

Center for Learning and Student Success

Web: <u>class.syr.edu</u>
Email: <u>tutorctr@syr.edu</u>
Phone: 315.443.2005

Where: Bird Library - Room 348

The Center for Learning and Student Success (CLASS) provides and facilitates academic support services for SU students, including one-on-one tutoring, small-group tutoring and workshops, and academic integrity education and training. Through collaboration with academic departments and offices, the Center coordinates programs and disseminates information about campus-wide academic resources available to students.

The Writing Center

Web: wc.syr.edu

Email: writingcenter@listserv.syr.edu

Phone: 315.443.5289

House: Monday-Thursday 9:00-9:00; Friday 9:00-5:00

Where: H.B. Crouse Hall - Room 101

The primary aim of the Writing Center is to help you become a stronger, more accomplished writer. No matter which form of support you choose, writing consultants will work with you at any stage of your writing process.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

General Information

Academic Information

Academic information is available in a variety of publications. Consult the appropriate one based on the question you wish to answer.

- SU Course Catalog Includes Undergraduate and Graduate (select in upper right hand corner of website) http://coursecatalog.syr.edu/index.php
- SU Bulletin tuition, fees and other policies http://bursar.syr.edu/wpcontent/uploads/2017/05/2017-2018-Tuition-and-fees-booklet.pdf
- VPA Undergraduate Student Handbook

http://vpa.syr.edu/uploads/downloads/VPAStudentHandbook2016-17.pdf

VPA Graduate Student

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http://vpa.syr.edu/uploads/downl

Final Examinations

Handbook

Final examinations may not be given on the last day of class or during reading days, but must be done during the exam period. Juries are scheduled by the School of Music and take place after the last day of classes.

Syllabus Template

THE UNIVERSITY REQUIRES THAT EVERY STUDENT RECEIVE A SYLLABUS FOR EVERY CLASS **EACH SEMESTER.** SU is now asking that all new and significantly revised course proposals use the university Course Syllabus Template (http://universitysenate.syr.edu/curricula/), which contains all the information required by University Senate with regard to syllabi, including the required University policy statements regarding Disability, Academic Integrity, and Religious Observance.

Advising and Student Retention

Because the Setnor School is a close-knit community of musicians, it is important that all students and faculty be contributing, successful members of the community.

Advising

Faculty assigned as advisors have responsibilities including:

- Establishing and maintaining clearly posted regular office hours.
- Making time available during Advising Day usually during the first week in November for spring registration, and the first week in April for fall registration, bringing the student's file (kept in Rm. 208) to the appointment and returning the file promptly after the advising session. Advising Day information will be given at a faculty meeting during those first weeks in November/April.
- Becoming fluent in all aspects of the academic program for which one is responsible, including familiarity with the Undergraduate and Graduate Course Catalogues.
- Maintaining and updating a degree program worksheet in each student file
- Reporting those students who fail to be advised to the Assistant Director for Academic Affairs in the School of Music.

"At-Risk" Students

Students are at risk of leaving the community if they:

- Exhibit a general lack of understanding of subject matter
- Score poorly on texts and quizzes
- Fail to complete assignments in a timely manner
- Do not attend class on a regular basis
- Are not prepared for lessons and classes
- Show signs of personal/health problems which affect their performance

When a problem is suspected, faculty should first speak directly to the student in person, if possible, <u>or submit a comment via the Orange SUccess application located on their MySlice Faculty Services</u>. Faculty are encouraged to help the student solve the problem by such actions as:

- facilitating tutoring, assigning extra work, meeting with the student, etc.
- contacting the Assistant Director for Academic Affairs (jacoggio@syr.edu) to work with the student.
- filing a Deficiency Report with Student Services, Room 200 (these may be filed at any time during the semester).
- contacting the Assistant Dean for Student Services. This is especially helpful when the problem is 'bigger than the student can handle' (family and personal problems such as eating disorders, problems in classes outside the School of Music).

NOTE: Faculty may NOT discuss student problems with people outside of the faculty and administration directly involved with the student. Faculty who share a student's academic history, even with a parent, without the written consent of the student are in violation of the Buckley Amendment regarding student confidentiality of records, and risk legal action on the part of the student.

Adequate Progress Requirements

Students must make satisfactory progress towards degree requirements. The following two policies are designed ensure that all members of the Setnor community are progressing.

- No student will be allowed to continue as a music major if the first year requirements in theory, ear training, music history and keyboard skills have not been completed by the end of the second year as a music major. Specifically, the student must have completed or passed out of MTC145, MTC147, and PNO121 by the end of the third semester as a music major, and MTC146, MTC148, two semesters of music history, and PNO122 by the end of the fourth semester as a music major.
- Beginning with the second semester as a music major, students must achieve a grade of at least C- in private
 lessons. Any student falling below that grade is put on probation by the School of Music. Students who fail to
 meet this standard after one semester of probation will be referred to the Director for advisement and may be
 required to leave the School of Music. This standard applies to all music students, regardless of major.

Applied Music Policies

Registration

All freshman and sophomore BA and BM music majors are required to register for an hour lesson on their principal instrument except for BM Composition majors who are required to register for an hour composition lesson. Performance majors, Composition majors, and those with Performance Honors continue to have hour lessons in the junior and senior years, while all other music majors take half-hour lessons (in the case of Music Education, Music Industry, and Sound Recording Technology majors lessons conclude following the first semester of the senior year). Students wishing to take additional elective lessons are welcome to do so for an additional fee.

It is extremely important for faculty to check their class rosters in MySlice to make sure their lists are correct, as full-time faculty loads as well as the pay for part-time faculty members is based upon these lists. Any discrepancy should be reported to Megan Carlsen in 208 or Jill Coggiola in 111B. Class lists are updated until the financial drop deadline, which can be found in the Academic Calendar through the Registrar's Website. After this date, students who drop will be charged for the full semester's applied music fee, and faculty will be paid until the end of the semester. All full- and part-time faculty will be required to sign off on lesson rosters.

Secondary or Elective Instrument Registration

Required secondary lessons will be covered by the Student Program Fee and there will be no extra charge. Students should review with their academic advisor whether they need to register for lessons on a secondary instrument. Students are always welcome to take additional elective lessons; however, should note that there will always be a fee charged for elective or non-required secondary lessons. **THE ADD DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017.**

**Please feel free to copy and paste the paragraph below to give to any students who may contact you regarding lesson registration. Department Chairs and Area Coordinators, who typically get student requests for lessons may wish to keep this paragraph handy.

Should you wish to take either required, secondary, or elective lessons, you would need to go to the Setnor School of Music website and DIGITALLY complete and SUBMIT ONLINE a Private Music Instruction Registration Form:

- <u>LESSON FORM FOR MUSIC MAJORS</u> -or- <u>LESSON FORM FOR NON-MUSIC MAJORS</u>
Once the form has been submitted, a copy will come to the School of Music office and you will be assigned an instructor and registered for your lesson(s). If there are any issues with your form, someone from the School of Music will contact you.

Assignment of Instructors

In areas with multiple instructors (e.g. flute, piano, voice, etc.), the School of Music will consider a student's request for a specific instructor based on that instructor's availability. The request for a specific instructor should be made to the <u>area coordinator only</u>. Changes are generally approved between semesters only. In unusual cases where a student seeks a change of studio instructor during the course of a semester, these steps should be taken, in the following order:

- The student should attempt to resolve the problem/conflict in consultation with the instructor.
- If the conflict is not resolved, or if for any reason the student is uncomfortable discussing the issue with his/her instructor, the student should consult the <u>area coordinator</u>.
- If the area coordinator, in consultation with the Chair of the Department of Applied Music and Performance and the Setnor School of Music Director, believe that the conflict cannot be satisfactorily resolved, the student may be moved to another studio.

Attendance

A semester of applied study consists of fourteen private lessons. Hour lessons may be given in two weekly half-hour lessons at the discretion of the instructor, but regularly combining lessons from different weeks may only be done by petition. Missed lessons must be made up prior to the end-of-semester jury; lessons missed by the instructor should be made up, and lessons missed by the student may be made up at the discretion of the instructor. If an instructor feels that student has accumulated an excess of absences by the end of the semester, the student may:

- enter the jury exam, if scheduled, with an instructor's grade of 75 or lower based on work completed, or
- withdraw from the course, or
- receive a grade of "F" in the course, or
- in cases of extreme medical or personal circumstances, request an incomplete grade for the semester. Missed lessons would be made up during the next semester, and the instructor would decide on how a final grade for the previous semester would be calculated. The Request-for-Incomplete form, available online or in the Student Services office (Room 200) must be filled out first, and signed by the student, instructor, and Director of the School of Music. Incomplete grades are counted as "F" in GPA calculations, and must be completed in no more than one year, at which point they automatically change to permanent "F" grades.

Jury Examinations

All Music Majors enrolled in applied music will be required to play/sing a formal jury examination at the end of each semester as scheduled on their principal instrument, regardless of number of the credits for which they are enrolled. Jury exams are not required in secondary performance areas, if lessons are taken as an elective, or of students who are not music majors, but may be performed at the discretion of the instructor. The smallest allowable jury consists of the instructor and one other faculty member. The combined (average) grade of the jury counts for 25% of the final grade. Repertoire requirements vary from area to area and can be obtained from the area coordinator. Certain juries require a self-prepared piece and/or examinations appropriate to the department (ex: text translation, transposition, technical requirements, etc.). Students may also be required to present a score of the piece or pieces played/sung at the jury; check with the department chair concerning these possible requirements. The student is given written evaluations of the performance by each juror following the jury. No late or make-up juries are given. If illness forces the cancellation of a jury, it must be documented by a medical practitioner; the instructor's semester grade then stands as the final grade. If a student misses a jury for any other reason, the jury grade will be 0, and that 0 counted as 25% of the final grade. It is to be noted that receiving a grade of less than 70 automatically places the student on academic probation for the following semester.

Grading Procedures

Each semester, the instructor brings the *Weekly Student Lesson Record* (or other similar document) with the final grade filled out, to the jury. Three grades are filed: one for lesson work, one for the jury, and a composite grade of the two, weighted 75% lesson work and 25% jury. While only the composite appears on the grade report, all three remain on record in the student's permanent file; forms can be obtained from Rm. 301. All grades are numerical, and converted to a letter grade. There is no lower limit to grades assigned for either lesson work or juries. Students must achieve a grade of 70 in both lesson and jury each semester after the first semester of study. Any student falling below that grade is put on academic probation by the School of Music. Students who fail to meet this standard after one semester of probation will be referred to the Director for advisement and may be required to leave the School of Music. This standard applies to all music students, regardless of major. The following chart shows the conversion of numbers to letters:

Numeric Grade	Letter Grade	Numeric Grade	Letter Grade
93-100	A	77-79	C+
90-92	A-	73-76	C
87-89	B+	70-72	C-
83-86	В	60-69	D
80-82	B-	0-59	F

New Music Requirement

In the hope of ensuring that all BA and BM students develop a knowledge of music of the present time, it is required that:

- All students perform a work composed within the last 100 years on at least one jury per year. A different contemporary compositional style must be represented on each successive jury.
- All Performance and Performance Honors students must perform one work composed within their lifetime, or a work by a living composer on one recital, or
- Performance and Performance Honors students may elect, instead of #2, to perform at least one work by a School of Music student composer either as part of a solo recital, or on a School-sponsored concert of student compositions. To substitute #3 for #2, approval must be obtained both from the composition professor and the applied professor involved.

Performance Honors

Performance Honors is an upper division program for non-performance major B.A. music/B.M. students that wish to meet performance requirements at or near those required of performance majors. Students are eligible to apply for the program during the sophomore year, with an approved jury serving as the program audition. Once admitted to the program, students receive one hour of applied instruction per week while continuing to register for one credit of lessons. Should they choose to take lessons beyond the semesters required by their degree programs they will pay additional lesson fees.

Students accepted into the performance honors program must give both a junior and senior recital commensurate with the requirements for degree recitals in the performance major. <u>Official recognition of program participation and completion appears as a milestone on student transcripts but does not appear on the diploma.</u>

All students play a jury at the end of their fall semester sophomore year. At this exam, any students who the jury feel are qualified and worthy of PH recognition will be recommended for PH and invited to audition for PH at their spring semester jury. There is no obligation for these students to move forward with PH should they choose.

Should a student not be recommended, their primary teacher can let the Area Coordinator know that they are interested in PH and can audition at the sophomore year spring semester jury.

For those students going abroad in the spring semester of their sophomore year, the fall semester jury will act as the preliminary audition for PH. Should the jury feel they are qualified and worthy, a conditional acceptance will be given, and a brief 10 minute audition will be required in the first week of the fall semester, junior year, once they return to campus. Due to registration restrictions, this audition must happen in the first week of classes, no exceptions. Those students not accepted conditionally in the fall will still have the option to take an audition at this time, but will play a full 20 minute audition for acceptance into PH.

Recitals

Juniors and seniors majoring in Music Performance, and those students awarded Performance Honors, will perform one recital in the junior year and one in the senior year. The junior recital will consist of a half recital (35 minutes of actual music). The student performing a half recital will share the time slot with another junior giving a half recital. Seniors will perform a recital consisting of 50-60 minutes of actual music, one student to a time slot. Composition students will perform one recital in the senior year. All recitals will typically take place in Setnor Auditorium. Requests for recitals to take place in locations other than Setnor Auditorium must be made in the form of a petition.

MM Performance and MM Conducting students will perform two recitals consisting of 50-60 minutes of actual music. MM Composition students prepare works for one recital that takes place in the last semester of their degree program

and should register for PER 994 for once credit in their final semester. MM performance and MM Conducting students must register for recitals for one credit as follows: PER 994 (Recital #1) and PER 995 (Recital #2) (or PER 996 Lecture Recital). The composite recital grade appears on the transcript. All recitals will take place in Setnor Auditorium. Requests for recitals to take place in locations other than Setnor Auditorium must be made in the form of a petition. Some students may wish to present a lecture recital in a classroom. Students must complete the **STUDENT RECITAL SERVICES FORM** and provide their completed and CHECKED program template.

Pre-Recital Jury and Recital Responsibilities

Pre-Recital Juries (PRJ's) are required for all undergraduate and graduate degree-required and elective recitals. The only exception to this is the music education graduate lecture recital, which requires no pre-recital jury.

A minimum of 3 faculty members are required for a recital jury panel. This includes the student's primary instructor, an instructor from their immediate area, and a third instructor either from, or outside of their area. Faculty must be present at the student's Pre-Recital Jury and will need to sign the PRJ form following the successful completion of the jury. Typically, Pre-Recital Juries should not last more than one hour. PRJ FORMS must be completed on line and printed to bring to the jury.

Pre-Recital Juries should be held approximately 3 weeks prior to the date of the student's recital in order to allow adequate time for incorporation of suggestions, or if necessary, a second jury for material that did not pass.

Faculty members who choose to be on a jury panel should make every effort to plan to attend the student's recital performance in order to offer support, commentary, and to represent the Setnor faculty for the student's visiting family and friends. If a faculty member knows that they will be unable to attend a student's recital, they should decline the request to serve on the jury panel. If a conflict should arise after the commitment has been made, the faculty member should let the student know in advance of the PRJ so that the student has the opportunity to select another juror that can be in attendance. If an unexpected situation arises where a juror suddenly is unable to be in attendance at a recital, then viewing the stream with supportive comments would be allowed. Listening to recordings post-recital date is not recommended.

Prompt submission of recital grades (including added comments for student review) is encouraged upon receipt of the follow-up recital grade request email.

Undergraduate recital grades will be factored into the final recital grade by the lesson instructor as indicated on the final recital grade form. Graduate recital grades will be entered by the Assistant Director for Academic Affairs via PER994, PER995, or PER996.

Recital Jury Waiver

If an undergraduate student has played a recital in the second half of the semester (thus leaving inadequate time to prepare new repertoire) they may petition to have the jury waived for that semester. In this case, the recital grade will stand as 25% of the final grade, with the instructor's grade counting for the other 75%. That student may, however, elect to play a jury, and in that case, either the recital grade or the jury grade can be used as 25%, whichever is higher. A student who has played a recital in the first half of the semester must play a jury, but that student may also choose either the recital grade or the jury grade, whichever is higher.

Majors and Advising

The Setnor School of Music offers Bachelor of Music degrees in composition, music education, music industry, performance, and sound recording technology as well as the Bachelor of Arts degree in music, and the Bachelor of Science in Recording and Allied Entertainment Industries (the "Bandier Program").

Students are assigned an advisor based on their intended major.

Students in the B.A. and B.M. degrees share the lower division program for the first two years and confirm admission to a specific major at the end of the sophomore year.

The lower division music degree programs consist of four semesters each of: ear training, theory, history, principal instrument private instruction, keyboard skills, and large ensemble participation.

No student will be allowed to continue as a music major if the following courses have not been passed by the end of their second year as a music major: MTC 145, MTC 146, MTC 147, MTC 148, PNO 121, PNO 122, and at least two of the following music history courses: MHL 185, MHL 267, MHL 268.

In addition, lower division students take two semesters of writing and selected academic courses (including at least two special courses for Music Education majors).

Admission to the upper division programs is based on the following criteria (commonly referred to as a sophomore evaluation):

- Composition:
 - o Students present a portfolio of their compositions to the composition faculty at the semester-end jury.
- Music Education:
 - o Students apply to the music education department, including a personal statement. The lower division transcript is reviewed and the student is interviewed by the music education faculty.
- Music Industry:
 - o Students are interviewed by the music industry faculty and the lower division transcript is reviewed.
- Performance:
 - o Students are evaluated at the second semester sophomore jury.
- Sound Recording Technology:
 - o Students are interviewed by the sound recording faculty and the lower division transcript is reviewed.
- B.A. in Music:

Students meet with the advisor to review their academic progress and discuss future plans.

Music Minor

The Setnor School of Music offers minors in the following areas:

• Jazz Studies

The Minor in Jazz Studies is designed for students from any degree program on campus, including music majors, who want to develop and improve their knowledge and skills in instrumental or vocal jazz. This 18-credit program draws from the entire array of the jazz offerings in the Setnor School of Music including jazz performing ensembles, jazz history, jazz arranging and theory, jazz applied lessons and jazz education. For more information <u>click here</u>. To enroll in the Jazz Studies minor contact <u>Dr. John Coggiola</u>.

• Music Industry

Setnor offers two minors in music industry available to music majors and non-music majors who wish to learn about the creative, business, and legal aspects of the music industry. To enroll in either music industry minor, students must apply to the chair of the Music and Entertainment Industries Department. Auditions for private lessons and ensembles may be required for acceptance into Minor Plan II. The minor program is highly competitive, with a limited number of spaces, and application is encouraged before the beginning of the sophomore year and is required before the beginning of the junior year. Click here for more information. To enroll in one of the music industry minors, contact William DiCosimo.

• Music Performance

The minor in music performance presents an opportunity for students across the entire Syracuse University community to avail themselves of the diverse and rich performance culture offered by the Setnor School of Music. The minor will consist of 18 credits, functioning as a performance-based minor that is intended to engage students in degree programs in all schools and colleges at SU. The minor will provide students not pursuing a degree in music a customizable music track that is simultaneously geared toward their talents and interest and structured to encourage interdisciplinary music making. The minor in music performance is open to all SU undergraduates not pursuing a degree in music. Click here for more information. To enroll in the music performance minor, contact Dr. Timothy Diem (instrumental) or Dr. Peppie Calvar (vocal).

• Private Music Study

The Minor in Private Music Study is designed for students from any degree program on campus, except those in the Setnor School of Music, who want to study music privately on guitar, drum set, piano or organ. Students who perform other instruments may petition to be accepted into the Minor in Private Music Study. The specific requirements are as follows: 4 semesters of private lessons (4-8 credits) and 10-14 credits of private lessons, ensembles, or other music courses through advisement. Please <u>click here</u> for more information or contact the appropriate advisor as follows: guitar, <u>Dr. Kenneth Meyer</u>; drums, <u>Mr. Josh Dekaney</u>; keyboard, <u>Dr. Anne Laver</u>.

Large Ensemble Participation Requirement

Students in the B.A. and B.M. degrees in the School of Music are required to participate in a large concert ensemble on their major instrument every semester they are in residence. They must participate in the ensembles to which they are assigned. The large concert ensembles include the following: University Orchestra, Wind Ensemble, Symphony Band, University Singers, Oratorio Society, Women's Choir, and Concert Choir. Most large ensembles require auditions. In addition, students may elect to participate in other ensembles such as Marching Band, Jazz Ensemble, Vocal Jazz, Opera Workshop, Contemporary Music Ensemble, Brazilian Ensemble, etc.

Literature and Pedagogy Requirement

All students pursuing Bachelor of Music degrees in performance are required to take at least one literature course and one pedagogy course, for a minimum of five (5) credits, as part of the "area specialization" requirement of their degree programs. Students fulfill this requirement by selecting appropriate courses within their areas of applied emphasis through advising. Table 1 contains the list of courses offered in each area.

Table 1. Literature and Pedagogy Courses per Area of Applied Emphasis

Area of Applied Emphasis	Literature Courses	Pedagogy Courses
Brass Emphasis: Trumpet, Horn, Trombone, Euphonium,	MHL 545; MHL 500 (Wind	MUE 326; MUE 500 (Wind
Tuba	Ensemble Lit)	Pedagogy)
Guitar Emphasis	GTR 521; MHL 545	GTR 524
Keyboard Emphasis: Organ, Piano	MHL 525; MHL 526; MHL 545; MHL 500 (Organ Lit)	PDG 527
Percussion Emphasis	MHL 545	MUE 423
Orchestral String Emphasis: Violin, Viola, Cello, Bass	MHL 535; MHL 536; MHL	PDG 530
Voice Emphasis: All voice majors	MHL 546; MHL 557; MHL	PDG 519
Woodwind Emphasis: Flute, Oboe, Clarinet, Bassoon, Saxophone	MHL 545; MHL 500 (Wind Ensemble Lit)	MUE 327; MUE 500 (Wind Pedagogy)

Program of Study Form

After the completion of all necessary diagnostic examinations, MM Performance, Composition, Conducting and Voice Pedagogy students should draft a *tentative* Program of Study Form in consultation with their advisor (http://graduateschool.syr.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Program-of-Study-Fillable.pdf). Please use the *Course Rotation* document to help with planning so that you get the courses you need when they are offered.

A final Program of Study must be submitted to the VPA Office of Research & Graduate Studies at the beginning of your last semester. You cannot be certified unless the signed Program of Study is in your file.

The Program of Study serves two functions:

- it provides a clear plan for you to follow to complete your degree,
- when signed by your advisor and department chair and submitted during your last semester, it is used to certify your degree completion. It is mandatory for degree certification.

As a matriculated graduate student, you are admitted to a specific graduate degree program that is registered with the New York State Department of Education. Although graduate degree requirements allow for a certain degree of flexibility, such as the specific courses you will take and the choice of different completion requirements such as a thesis, faculty guided research project, or a final presentation, you will need to complete certain specific requirements for your degree. Discuss closely with your advisor, the Chair of your department, or your graduate coordinator, to determine the program of study you will need to follow to fulfill your degree requirements.

Graduate students in Music Education must complete a master's program of study form with the Office of Academic and Student Services. You, your faculty advisor and program area chairperson must sign the form. The master's program of study form should be filed before the completion of 18 credit hours of study. The program of study must be filed prior to the completion of 12 credit hours of study if it contains transfer credit. An approved program of study must match courses listed on your official transcript. After it is approved by the senior assistant dean, you and your faculty advisor will each receive a copy via e-mail. The original copy remains on file in the Office of Academic and Student Services to be monitored as you proceed with your program. To change your program of study once it has been approved, you must refile an updated program of study form or submit a petition to the faculty form, signed by your advisor and your program area chairperson, to the Office of Academic and Student Services.

Grading

To be a graduate student in good standing, you must comply with the Graduate Grading Standards which considers passing grades as A, A-, B+, B, B-, C+, C, and C-. **The D grade is not an option for graduate students.**

The minimum G.P.A. for graduate work is 2.8 in the first 30 credits. Certification for an advanced degree requires a **minimum average of 3.0** for work comprising the program for the degree and a **2.8 average for all credits earned.** For petition and exclusion consult the Academic Rules and Regulations, 43.3. The academic unit may recommend that the Graduate School cancel matriculation if this requirement is not met.

Specific programs in CVPA can require the passing of additional reviews, examinations, and assessments of graduate work for a graduate student to be considered in good standing. Such reviews and assessments can result in continuation without reservations, continuation during a probationary period or termination of student status.

You may retake a course in which you earned a grade of C+, C, C-, or F, with the approval of your academic unit and the Graduate School. Graduate courses may be retaken only once. A retaken course replaces the original course on your degree program of study, but both the original course and the retaken course will appear on your transcript and both courses will calculate, unless the original course is flagged.

Auditing a Course

The purpose of auditing a course is to further your knowledge without being held responsible for fulfilling academic requirements for the course. Naturally, you will not receive academic credit for the course. Audited courses appear on grade reports and transcripts with zero credit hours and a grade of AU, which means no academic credit has been earned. Audited courses do not affect your GPA, and they do not count towards hours for graduation.

You need to decide during the schedule adjustment period if you wish to audit a course. You may not rescind your selection to audit after the Add Deadline. You may drop or withdraw from an audited course just as you do from any other course. Full-time students are not charged for auditing. Part-time students pay for audited courses at the regular per-credit-hour tuition rate. Applied music instruction and studio courses offered by CVPA may not be audited. To audit a course, follow the same procedure you would to request the pass/fail option; you need your instructor's signature on the application instead of the stamp required for pass/fail.

Independent Study

Independent study/experience credit is available to students who wish to explore a special problem or area of study <u>for which</u> a formal course does not exist.

Independent study is usually a research project or academic work guided by a faculty sponsor.

Experience credit is associated with fieldwork or other work experience in your program of study.

The following guidelines apply:

Experience credit and independent study courses may be elected for one to six credits, depending on individual arrangements with the participating faculty member. In selected topics courses, students may earn one to three credits. Students are advised to check carefully with their faculty advisors and the dean of their school or college before registering for an <u>All-University course</u> to be sure that the course will be accepted toward the completion of their degree requirements.

- In general, only juniors and seniors may enroll for independent study or experience credit. Under exceptional circumstances, qualified freshmen and sophomores may enroll for lower-division independent study course work.
- Students must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 to enroll for either independent study or experience credit. Outstanding incompletes or missing grades automatically disqualify students from enrolling for either.

- Students must arrange for both independent study and experience credit with their academic advisor, chairperson of your department/program, a faculty sponsor and the assistant dean prior to registration. No retroactive credit will be given.
- A combination of a total of twelve credits of independent study, experience credit or internship credit may count towards completion of a degree. Students may register for one to six credit hours of independent study or experience credit per full-time semester and up to three credit hours in the summer.
- Either a letter grade or pass/fail grade may be given for independent study. In some cases letter grades may be required.
- Pass/fail grades only are given for Syracuse University Internship program experience credit. Other types of
 experience credit, which involve a CVPA sponsor, can be taken either for credit with a grade or pass/fail. Detailed
 letters outlining your duties and responsibilities during your work experiences are required from job supervisors and
 are put in your permanent file. A letter evaluating your performance is also required.

To apply for independent study/experience credit, Students need to submit a proposal as follows:

- Download a proposal for independent study form from http://www.syr.edu/registrar/forms/index.html
- Secure the approval of a full-time faculty member who will assist the student in planning their work, oversee their progress and grade their final work. Teaching assistants, graduate students and adjunct faculty members may not supervise independent study and experience credit projects.
- Write their plan on the Proposal for Independent Study Course form and have it approved by their faculty sponsor, academic advisor and the Setnor School of Music Director.
- Return the completed and signed form to the VPA Graduate/Undergraduate Office of Student Affairs to get approval from the assistant dean. This needs to be done by the published Add Deadline.
- The signed form serves as their enrollment form for independent study or experience credit. The Office of Student Affairs will forward the approved proposal to the Registrar's Student Records Office, where the course will be added to their schedule.

Collaborative Piano Guidelines

Pianists play an essential role in facilitating performance at music schools. Their skills and services are required for playing in orchestra and wind ensemble concerts; chamber music; special events, and approved instrumental and vocal degree recitals.

Given the dual constraints of an expanding non-pianist student population coupled with severely limited resources for maintaining a collaborative keyboard staff, the School has set priorities for facilitating repertoire preparation at the highest level for upper-division and graduate students, in juries and in performance.

All vocal and instrumental students are responsible for procuring capable pianists for their lessons, juries, and any other performance events. It is advised that students be proactive and plan accordingly, in consultation with their applied teachers. Students are free to choose whomever they wish to engage and all terms should be established upfront with their pianist. Some collaborations may arise with fellow students who may or may not be piano majors. An updated list of recommended SU and Syracuse area pianists will be maintained with the Office Coordinator in Room 301 and on the Keyboard Department's bulletin board outside of Room 310.

The only exception to the above guidelines is that the Setnor School provides support for qualifying upper-division and graduate degree recitals. Graduate performance majors are awarded this support when they are accepted to the school. Undergraduates must pass their performance or performance honors jury (normally at the end of the sophomore year). Collaborative support for this group of students is provided mainly in two ways, as described below.

Instrumental Recitals

Required Graduate and Senior Instrumental Recitals (Performance and Performance Honors)

- The School of Music will contribute a maximum of \$200 for a qualified accompanist. It is the student's responsibility to engage the pianist him- or herself, negotiating the <u>total</u> fee directly with the contracted pianist, including lessons, rehearsals, pre-recital jury and the performance, with a provision for extra rehearsals.
- Additional hours required of the accompanist are the financial responsibility of the student and are to be paid at an agreed upon rate with the pianist.
- The <u>STUDENT RECITAL ACCOMPANIST PAY FORM</u> must be submitted in order to process payment to your accompanist. Payments will not be processed until after your recital has been completed.

*Required **Junior** Instrumental Recitals (Performance and Performance Honors)

- The School of Music will contribute a maximum of \$125 for a qualified accompanist. It is the student's responsibility to engage the pianist him- or herself, negotiating the <u>total</u> fee directly with the contracted pianist, including lessons, rehearsals, pre-recital jury and the performance, with a provision for extra rehearsals.
- Additional hours required of the accompanist are the financial responsibility of the student recitalist and are to be paid at a rate agreed upon up front by both parties.
- The <u>STUDENT RECITAL ACCOMPANIST PAY FORM</u> must be submitted in order to process payment to your accompanist. Payments will not be processed until after your recital has been completed.

Non-Degree Recitals

• The student is completely responsibly for procuring the services of a pianist of his or her choice.

Vocal Recitals

For Required Junior, Senior, and Graduate Vocal Recitals (Performance and Performance Honors):

- These recitals will be staffed by piano Teaching Assistants (TAs), within definable limits as set out below (see TA guidelines*). If and when the TA work limits are reached (assuming that the pianist has been well-prepared for lessons and rehearsals) the vocal student will be responsible for compensating the TA for services beyond those initially contracted, at a rate agreed upon by both parties at the beginning of their working relationship.
- Students presenting <u>required</u> voice recitals who choose to engage a qualified outside pianist or non-TA student pianist on their own will be responsible for the total fee of such services.

Other Accompanying

• Additional hours or services (e.g., convocation, master classes, competitions, travel to off-campus events, etc.) required of the accompanist are the financial responsibility of the voice student based upon mutual agreement upfront between the voice student and the pianist.

Non-Degree Recitals

• As above, the student is completely responsibly for procuring the services of a pianist of his or her choice.

*Teaching Assistant Guidelines

Teaching assistantship guidelines are established by Syracuse University and call for a maximum workload of 10 hours per week for a half TA, or 20 hours for a full TA. With this in mind, the following allotments have been established for piano TAs, who will also have some responsibilities supporting the Keyboard area by assisting with piano classes, tests, and other administrative duties:

Full Assistantship

- 7 vocal recitals, with a maximum of 4 per semester (with the same terms as half TAs, listed above)
- Staffing of the opera/opera workshop will be considered the equivalent of 2 recitals. The ½ TA who has primary responsibility for the opera workshop may be assigned two *or* three recitals, depending on the needs of the opera during the spring semester.
- This arrangement allows for a maximum of 18 vocal degree recitals per year, although the maximum in the spring semester could be as low as 11 (if there were 2 Full TAs plus one half TA handling the opera workshop) to a high of 15 (if there were 3 half TAs plus one full TA) due to the need to hold any one pianist's load in the spring semester to 4, to ensure adequate progress in his or her own performance program.
- It will be up to the voice area how to allocate the pianists' total available hours and recital accompanying. In consultation with the piano faculty, the voice area may elect to reassign a pianist to a choral ensemble (in exchange for 2 recital credits).

Summary

• Students with a full assistantship provide up to 7 vocal degree recitals (or equivalent*) per academic year (with a maximum of 4 in the spring semester). Students with a ½ assistantship provide up to 4 vocal degree recitals (or equivalent*) per academic year

- *"Equivalent" refers to other needs of the voice area such as opera workshop, choral ensembles, etc., that may be staffed instead of recitals, at the voice area's discretion. In consultation with the keyboard faculty, a TA's load may be adjusted based on recital scheduling and the perceived difficulty of the assignments. (E.g., a ½ TA who plays 3 [shorter] junior recitals by the middle of February, including one that took place in November, may have additional duties assigned vs. another TA who is playing considerably longer programs that are scheduled in March and April.)
- In the event that the voice area does not need the full TA allotment of hours, the TAs may be assigned to play for instrumental recitals or other performance service.

Collaborative Courtesies

- Efficient communication is essential. Collaborative partners should: exchange e-mail addresses, phone numbers, and basic schedules so that each collaborative partner can plan ahead and avoid scheduling problems; respond immediately to all messages from one's partner; be professional, courteous and collegial in every circumstance; welcome constructive suggestions for the improvement of the performance as well as the effective management of rehearsals.
- Collaborative partners should inform each other of lessons, rehearsals, and performances <u>well in advance</u>, as well as the repertoire for those events. Collaborative partners should enter all appointments agreed upon in a planner immediately, and be punctual for those appointments. If a scheduled appointment must be cancelled, all personnel should be contacted, preferably at least a day in advance.
- Each partner should come to rehearsals and lessons with the music well prepared. No partner should find it necessary to teach another notes and rhythms, unless this part of the relationship is established upfront.
- Copies given to a pianist should be copied or taped back-to-back with holes punched. Two-page pieces should be punched on the inside edge in such a way as to eliminate any need for a page turn. It may be necessary to provide a ring binder for the pianist as well. All copies should be prepared this way; no pianist should be given unprepared loose copies.
- Measure numbers should be marked at the beginning of each line, especially for instrumental music.
- Providing the pianist with recordings of pieces may be very helpful and is encouraged.

ADMISSIONS

Recruitment and Admissions

The recruitment and admission process consists of initial contact, application, audition, acceptance into Setnor, admission to Syracuse University, cultivation, and matriculation. Faculty members play crucial roles in all steps of the process. In particular, all faculty members are responsible for recruiting students.

Undergraduate Admissions

Initial Contact

The entire process of recruitment and admission begins when student contact has been established. This happens either by the student contacting us based upon their interest in SU (via visit, phone, mail, e-mail, or events such as NYSSMA, Eastman College Fair, etc.) or through individual faculty contact designed to pique the interest of desirable candidates. Please make the time to speak with potential students in your travels.

Students interested in the possibility of attending SU should make contact with the Office of Recruitment and Admissions in the College of Visual and Performing Arts (443-2769, or admissu@syr.edu). Once they give their name, address, e-mail, current grade, intended major, etc. to the office they are then entered into the university computer system and will begin receiving appropriate information about SU. The best time for this process to begin would be during the winter/spring of their junior year, however many do this sooner and of course, some later as well.

Application

Students interested in attending SU should begin the application process as soon as possible following the start of their senior year. Admission requirements and on-line application forms can all be found at the university website *admissions.syr.edu*. Students are always encouraged to apply online. Students are also responsible as part of the application procedure, to submit an application fee, official transcripts, SAT or ACT scores, and of course, arrange for an audition. Failure to complete **any part** of the application process in a timely manner can result in a delay when the time comes to evaluate the student for admission.

Failure of students to submit all materials in a timely manner will result in a significant delay in their admission process. It will also result in their loss of scholarship consideration for Setnor School of Music awards.

Students need not submit applications prior to the scheduling of an audition. Students are encouraged to set up their audition date/time early in order to ensure that there is an opening for them on their available date.

Students are required to schedule their auditions online at: http://vpa.syr.edu/musicregistration.

Acceptance into the Setnor School of Music

Students seeking admission into the B.S. in Recording and Allied Entertainment Industries submit an application form to Syracuse University and do not audition. All students wishing to pursue the Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Music degree must also take an audition.

Audition Format

• Auditions can be done in person, online via *Acceptd* or via recording, however, **students wishing to receive scholarship consideration for School of Music scholarship must audition in person.** (This is different than the process for academic merit scholarship) Though we are no longer listing this as an option, students auditioning via recording must submit a DVD recording. **CD/tape recordings will not be evaluated and are unacceptable for submission to the School of Music.**

Audition Locations

Auditions are held both on and off campus. Procedures are outlined as follows:

On Campus Auditions

Campus Music Audition Days are the time each year when we audition the greatest number of students. These days include several presentations, tours, snacks, and of course, auditions. It is on these days that we would like to see the majority of our applicants.

It is best that at least two, or if possible, three committee members be present at every audition. This includes individual auditions scheduled outside of the regularly scheduled audition days as well. Additionally, all forms in the audition folder, including the theory test must be completed for every auditioning student, even those who do not audition on the regular audition days. Students are told to bring a resume and this should be included as part of their folder. The resume form will be sent to them, and will also be available to download off of the website. All application materials inside the folder must be completed by the student regardless of when they audition.

Off Campus Auditions

Auditions are also held during January and February in Boston, New York City and Washington, D.C. For all locations aside from New York City, the instrumental auditions will happen in the morning, and the vocal auditions in the afternoon. At these locations, we cannot accommodate organ, percussion, or commercial/jazz instrument auditions (and no piano auditions in D.C. or NYC). In New York City, there is one day for vocal auditions and one day for instrumental (with the exception of percussion, organ, and jazz/commercial students who must audition on campus at SU). Off campus auditions are recorded so that applied faculty have the opportunity to audition candidates in their area.

Music Evaluations

- Faculty members evaluate the suitability of auditionees for acceptance into the Setnor School of Music using specified criteria. The audition forms completed by faculty members are the documents used for the faculty to provide the assessment to the director. The attention to the detail of ratings in all categories of both musical and personal attributes assists in creating a better and more accurate picture of the potential candidate. These evaluation forms are reviewed by the Setnor School of Music Director. These ratings, combined with a thorough evaluation of resume and other application materials, culminate in a recommendation from the Director that is submitted to the college and, ultimately, university admissions offices.
- Please note that students can ask to see their evaluations under the Freedom of Information Act. Please continue to provide comments, they are incredibly helpful, but write your comments with the thought in mind that the student might read them some day. Not every student is ready for music school. That is the truth. But it would be preferable for them to read, "Is clearly not prepared to be a music major" rather than "What a waste of my time."

Audition Procedures

In order to maintain consistency and follow proper protocol it is important that all faculty observe the audition procedures listed below.

- The audition procedure involves a played/sung audition that must include sight-reading and a brief
 interview. Also required is the completion of a short aural/written theory test, the audition file
 paperwork, and the submission of a music resume. This applies to all prospective freshmen and transfer
 students.
- Should students audition on days other than those scheduled, it becomes the responsibility of the auditioning faculty to make sure that the procedure above is followed.
- While it is appropriate for faculty to give positive feedback to students auditioning, it is extremely important that faculty NEVER tell students that they are 'admitted,' or 'admissible,' nor make any promises, implied or specific, about financial aid and scholarships. Only the university Office of Admissions can admit students and decide upon Academic Merit Scholarships, only the Setnor School of Music Director can award Setnor Music Scholarships, and only the Office of Financial Aid can decide financial aid.
- In the case of transfer students, NASM is very clear that it is EXTREMELY important that there be NO discussion whatsoever of possible financial aid or scholarships until the student's prior institution has sent a letter of release, acknowledging that the student has permission to consider other offers. (This does not apply if the prior institution was a two-year institution.) Additionally, scholarship for transfer students is extremely rare, and has not been awarded by Setnor in several years.

Admission to Syracuse University

The School of Music never determines whether a student will be admitted to Syracuse University. The School of Music only evaluates a student's musical ability. A student may be admitted to Syracuse University, but if the student has a weak audition, will most likely not be admitted to the School of Music. Likewise, a student may be strong musically but weak academically and not be admitted to Syracuse University.

Faculty are encouraged to actively recruit prospective students and establish relationships with them. Faculty may offer to give a lesson to a prospective student (financial compensation for this is between the faculty member and the prospective student.) The Faculty must NEVER tell a student that they are admitted, or that they are being awarded a scholarship. This information must come via official channels only. It is possible to give positive feedback while acknowledging that the final decisions about admissions and scholarships are not in the faculty member's hands, with statements such as, "I'd love to have you in my studio, but official decisions about admissions are made in the admissions department and you'll have to wait until you hear from them." Faculty should also be aware that the admissions people really are doing their very best to work with us and consult us before turning a student down. It is never helpful to speak poorly of the admissions people.

The first round of admissions decision notifications goes out in mid-March and continues until enrollment targets are met. Enrollment targets are established by the Dean of Admissions in consultation with our college Dean. The number of students admitted is based on a yield formula that takes into account both historical data and current trends.

Early Decision/Spring Transfers

• Each year a small number of students choose to apply for Early Decision to SU. Students choosing this option are typically doing so because they know that they want to come to SU, trust in their ability to gain entry, and wish to go through the admission process early on in order to ensure there is room for them in the following academic year. Some also wish to have their college plans taken care of ahead of time in order to have more planning time before entry.

Spring transfer students are looking to transfer into SU at the start of the spring semester during the current academic year.

• Due to the timetable for the Early Decision and External Transfer students (all application materials, including audition, must be complete by November 15) they are required to audition in the fall. The single selected Fall Reception audition date is provided for this purpose only, not to accommodate regular auditions. Intra-University Transfer (IUT) students do not have the same timeline, and may have an audition scheduled later in the process.

Scholarships for Early Decision Candidates. Early decision students are given consideration, and are occasionally awarded scholarships.

Cultivation

Faculty members are encouraged to keep in contact with the students we accept. This may include email, phone calls, written notes, and giving lessons. Financial compensation for any lessons is between the faculty member and the prospective student. **NEVER tell a student that they are admitted, or that they are being awarded a scholarship. This information must come via official channels only**. It is possible to give positive feedback while acknowledging that the final decisions about admissions and scholarships are not in the faculty member's hands, with statements such as, "I'd love to have you in my studio, but official decisions about admissions are made in the admissions department and you'll have to wait until you hear from them." Faculty should also be aware that the admissions people really are doing their very best to work with us and consult us before turning a student down. It is never helpful to speak poorly of the admissions people.

Admitted Students List

- Beginning in mid-March, SU Admissions distributes a list of admitted candidates (this list is updated frequently as subsequent rounds of notifications are sent out). Once we have this list, congratulatory e-mails are sent out by the college's Dean. The Director then sorts the list and submits various lists of candidates to Area Coordinators and Department Chairs for distribution among the faculty. Students usually receive their admission notification before we get our lists. Their admission notification letter will not include any information about financial aid. If awarded scholarship money, a separate scholarship notification letter will arrive about one week following their admission letter. A financial aid award letter arrives about a week after that. Students will, however, be able to log onto their MySlice account immediately to see their whole Financial Aid package.
- Individual contact with each student should be made at this time as it has been determined that they are an admitted SU student.

Spring Receptions

• During the time following acceptance and prior to May 1, when all final decisions are due, the university sponsors Spring Reception Days. These days are designed to invite admitted students to visit SU (some for the first time) one last time before making their decision. A presentation of a different nature than Summer/Fall Receptions and Campus Music Days is given in the CVPA and School of Music and then the students are brought to the Dome for a giant Campus Life Exposition where they can eat lunch and find booths on all the various departments/activities/etc. available at SU. The college hosts an afternoon Open House, where families can stop in and chat informally with faculty and student volunteers.

Faculty members are notified by the Director prior to students arriving for Spring Receptions as it is deemed possible (sometimes students show up having not registered to attend, or register as late as the day before). This notification is to give the applied music faculty one last chance to perhaps meet with or give a lesson to a prospective student to help them better make their decision about attending SU.

Scholarships

• There are two primary types of scholarship money that incoming students are eligible to receive, academic merit scholarships, and music talent scholarships. Scholarships are offered to students during the cultivation phase to help them decide to attend Setnor. We are not usually able to negotiate with scholarship offers once the offer has been made, no matter what other offers a student may receive.

Matriculation

Students have until May 1 to make their decision. According to NASM and NACAC standards, no student can be compelled to decide upon an institution prior to May 1. Decisions made by students prior to that time are subject to change without penalty. After May 1, no institution may attempt to lure a student away from the institution to which they have committed.

Shortly after this time a list of matriculated candidates is generated and given to the Setnor School of Music. These are students that have paid their deposit and declared their intention to enroll in the fall. This list may change during the summer ("summer melt") due to late admissions decisions, declined offers, and transfer admits. The Assistant Director for Admissions and Community Programs will send updated lists of matriculated students to all appropriate faculty. Once a final list is completed during the summer it will be forwarded to the Assistant Director for Academic Affairs who will update any lists with faculty as needed.

Transfer Students

The transfer student process is very similar to the freshman applicant process; however, there is less adherence to deadlines. **This is deceiving however, and offers a false sense of security to the transfer student.** Transfers wishing to be considered for admission during the fall of any academic year are wise to begin the process **as soon as possible, preferably meeting the same deadlines as freshman candidates.** Transfers are admitted on a space-available basis.

Additionally, while the School of Music may occasionally award scholarship money to transfers on a very limited basis (weighing the scholarship requests from faculty for first-year students, and more importantly, permission from the Financial Aid Office), it cannot be awarded if a transfer student's application is incomplete. The Scholarship Office will not award to students who have incomplete applications, they will instead move on to an alternate who is complete. The best advice to offer a prospective transfer candidate that you may be trying to recruit is to have them adhere to the deadlines for first year students. Please make the Assistant Director for Admissions and Community Programs aware of any correspondence with transfer students.

Graduate Admissions

Degree Programs

The Setnor School of Music offers the following degree programs:

- Master of Arts in Audio Arts
- Master of Music in Music Composition
- Master of Music in Music Education (application through the School of Education)
- Master of Music in Piano, (and Piano Collaborative Arts), Voice, Strings, Winds, Percussion, Conducting, Organ.
- Master of Music in Voice Pedagogy
- Master of Science in Music Education (application through the School of Education)

Procedures

To be admitted for graduate study in a music or music education program at Syracuse University, one must have:

- An undergraduate degree in music, music education, or satisfactory other degree plus experience.
- A completed graduate application form, available online at apply.embark.com/grad/Syracuse
 - o The completed application includes:
 - Transcripts demonstrating a B average in courses at the undergraduate level.
 - Three letters of recommendation (forms are included in the application packet.)
 - Results of the Graduate Record Examination (optional, but required for consideration for
 - a graduate fellowship).
- Performance, Conducting, Voice Pedagogy, and Collaborative Arts majors must complete an audition prior to admission, which can be arranged by going to vpa.syr.edu/musicregistration. See audition requirements at vpa.syr.edu/prospective-students/graduate/music
- Music Education majors are encouraged to schedule an interview with the Chair of Music Education, Dr. Elisa Dekaney, emdekane@syr.edu.
- Special application is required for all graduate students interested in assistantships. Interviews are required of all students who are finalists for graduate awards (assistantships, fellowships, scholarships).
- International students for whom English is a second language, or who have earned degrees outside the United States, are required to take the TOEFL Examination, and encouraged (though not required) to take the Graduate Record Examination. With students submitting online or mail-in auditions, faculty are encouraged to set up a real-time communication with the students, as TOEFL scores are not always the best measure of conversational communication. In turn, International should seek clear information on visa requirements, tuition, housing costs and the limited possibilities for financial aid through the VPA Graduate Office (admissg@syr.edu). Also, before applying for graduate study, foreign students must consider the possibility that they will need special assistance in pursuing their graduate studies in English.
- Minimum TOEFL score for regular acceptance to SU by an international student is 82.
- If a student has not achieved a score of an 82 or higher, or if they have that score, but still do not demonstrate sufficient command of the language, a student can be recommended for ELI (English Language Institute). If we say that a student must go through ELI in order to come to Setnor, they must complete that program at their own expense, and they will not be able to take a single class in Setnor until they have passed out of it. This should take the equivalent of a semester, but could take longer.

Audition Requirements

An audition in person is encouraged, but not required for full acceptance into graduate performance and compositions programs. Applications and auditions should be completed by February 1. Audition requirements may be found at http://vpa.syr.edu/prospective-students/graduate-students/programs/music/application-process/. Accompanists will be available for voice auditions on campus only. Accompanists for other instruments are not required.

Poor quality recordings will not be considered. Recordings (Online submission through Acceptd is preferred, and DVDs only) must be direct recordings with no subsequent alterations or editing. Recordings must be labeled with applicant's name and address. A program must be included with the recording that lists the music, composers, applicant's name, address, and date (day, month, year) of recording. Submitted recordings and compositions will not be returned to the applicant.

Graduate Awards

A small number of awards, scholarships, fellowships and assistantships are available to qualified graduate applicants. In most cases, graduate students must have completed the application (and, if applicable, audition) process by February 1 to be considered for these awards, scholarships and assistantships. In the case of fellowships, these are awarded through Syracuse University, and not through Setnor, and complete materials must be in by January 1 for consideration. Students interested in Setnor assistantships will apply to those in which they are specifically interested.

OPERATIONS

Building Access, Practice Rooms, Lockers

24-Hour Access to Crouse College

For access to Crouse College when locked, faculty and students should provide their SUID # to the Operations Office in Room 301 or email mjtaylor@syr.edu, so the ID can be entered into the system, thereby enabling the person to make use of the card reader at the south entrance of the building.

Practice Room Rules and Regulations

- Practice room use is restricted to students registered for Applied Music lessons for credit in the Setnor School of Music, and non-music majors enrolled in a School of Music ensemble or class. Music Majors will sign for their keys with the operations staff in room 301. Non-music majors, after registering for private lessons, will fill out a form to be turned in to the staff in room 301 to receive the appropriate practice room key. Students should also provide their SUID number so they may be given 24-hour card swipe access to Crouse College. All keys are to be returned at the end of the year by the posted deadline. Failure to do so will result in a \$25 replacement fee.
- Use of most practice rooms is on a first-come, first-served basis. Some of the rooms are sign-up only.
- SMOKING, EATING AND/OR DRINKING IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED. Please be sure to turn off the lights, close the windows, and CLOSE THE DOOR when you are through. DO NOT leave instruments or other valuables in an unattended room. Close any doors that you find open. If you remove chairs, benches, music stands or other equipment from practice rooms, please RETURN them when you are finished.
- Rooms are NOT to be used for private teaching, except as authorized by the Setnor School of Music Director.
- Any damages or problems must be reported to the Operations Office, Room 301. Problems with pianos should be brought to the attention of the Piano Technician in Room 101.
- If you notice anything suspicious, especially at night, do not hesitate to CALL SECURITY! Dial 711 or 443-2224 or #78. If you need to contact DPS in an emergency situation, but are unable to make a phone call, e-mail or text the Communications Center at 711@syr.edu.
- When classrooms are used for individual or small group rehearsals, all of the above policies apply. Students will need to comply with room usage regulations in order to utilize classrooms and rehearsal spaces.
- Please adhere to all noted guidelines practice room usage may be suspended for violations of the guidelines.

Non-music Majors

Music Majors pay a fee for the use of practice rooms which is used for instrument purchase, tuning, and maintenance. Practice rooms are for the exclusive use of music majors, students taking private lessons, and students participating in ensembles or classes within the School of Music. A list of students participating in each major ensemble or class will be provided by the conductor/professor of that ensemble/class to the Assistant Director of Operations by the end of the second week of the semester.

Lockers

• Lockers are available for storage of music and instruments for music majors on their primary instrument. Students should check in with the graduate assistant in the Operations Office for assignment of a locker. Space is extremely limited, so additional lockers, or lockers for non-music majors may not be available. Students can request to be placed on a waiting list at Setnorga@gmail.com.

Student Recitals

The following procedures are to be followed by all students performing recitals – updated information is available on the website:

1. Arrange a Setnor recital date at the **Recital Lottery** and complete the recital forms on the Setnor School Music website.

2. TWO MONTHS BEFORE THE RECITAL:

- A. Select a recital committee (jury) consisting of:
 - 1. Your major teacher
 - 2. Another teacher from your area
 - 3. A third faculty member from a different area.

 NOTE: You may have more than three jurors. All the jurors MUST be able to attend the recital.
- B. Set a pre-recital jury date (no later than 3 weeks before recital). You are responsible for scheduling this with your jurors. You must book room/date/time and arrange for a room key in the Operations office in 301 Crouse with a graduate assistant.

3. FOUR WEEKS BEFORE THE RECITAL:

- A. If you need a harpsichord, you MUST arrange for tuning with Bob Lee four weeks in advance and arrange for additional help in your recital.
- B. Your recital will be listed on the website

4. THREE WEEKS BEFORE THE RECITAL:

- A. Perform a Pre-Recital Jury, bringing with you:
 - 1. STUDENT PRE-RECITAL JURY FORM (PRJ)
 - 2. must be signed by the committee at your PRJ!
 - 3. Four typed copies of your recital program
- B. After the successful completion of the pre-recital jury:
 - 1. Return the signed **Student Pre-Recital Jury Form (PRJ)** to Dr. Jill Coggiola in 108B Crouse
 - 2. Submit the **STUDENT RECITAL SERVICES REQUEST FORM** on line
 - 3. If requesting Audio Amplification, provide a copy of the Student Recital Services Request Form with payment to Marie Luther in Room 204 Crouse College.
 - 4. Schedule Dress Rehearsal; 1 hour is allowed, if available, and arrange for keys with the graduate assistant in 301 Crouse this is your responsibility if you do not make arrangements in advance, you may not be able to access the hall!

5. TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE RECITAL:

- A. You may post a maximum of 10 posters announcing your recital no sooner than 2 weeks before the recital. Posters cannot be placed on glass or in classrooms, elevator, restrooms or offices (they will be removed). They may only be posted on bulletin boards and lockers. Please remove them immediately afterward or they may be removed and discarded..
- B. Email your completed **PROGRAM TEMPLATE** available at <u>SETNOR RESOURCES</u> to Michelle Taylor at <u>mjtaylor@syr.edu</u> if not received on time, programs cannot be produced by the office and student will have to provide on their own. Please be sure to check the program with your professor, and include all collaborators, composer years, etc.
- 6. ALL FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON TIME

Scheduling a Faculty Recital or Ensemble Concert

Arrange a recital date at the annual scheduling meeting or through Michelle Taylor <u>mjtaylor@syr.edu</u> in Room 301 and schedule auditorium time for the dress rehearsal (1-2 hour maximum if available).

Four weeks prior to the event, submit the **FACULTY CONCERT/ENSEMBLE SERVICES REQUEST FORM**

For inclusion on websites and calendars, submit performance information and any related photos (high-res jpegs) three weeks in advance to vpanews@syr.edu. Three weeks is needed to ensure placement in local media calendars.

At least three weeks prior to the event, complete Program Template – <u>PROGRAM TEMPLATE</u>, and provide poster information to <u>mjtaylor@syr.edu</u>. If information is not received on time in the template, we will not be able to provide services and programs.

Agreement for Building and Auditorium Use

- Smoking is not permitted in the building. Food or drink is not permitted in the auditorium.
- No flash photography or movement of photographers or videographers will be allowed while music is being performed.
- Receptions must be scheduled at least three weeks prior to the performance. No alcohol is allowed at Setnor School of Music functions. All leftover food and trash must be taken to the dumpsters, outside of the building immediately following your reception.
- Equipment (stands, chairs, etc.) used for ensemble concerts must be returned to their original place (backstage, Room 400, etc) immediately following the concert.

The School will provide

- Two work study students as Performance Managers for each performance. They will arrive one hour before the performance to unlock the auditorium and Room 308 (if a reception has been booked), unplug and uncover the piano, set up the stage*, discuss lighting with the performer, set out programs, etc.
- During the performance, one performance manager will be at the audience entrance for the concert/recital. If additional personnel are needed, it is the performer's responsibility to make the necessary arrangements at their own expense.
- One performance manager will be at the backstage entrance to the auditorium to set the lights, let performers into the auditorium, and perform light stage crew work (moving a few chairs or stands or repositioning/sticking the piano). If your event requires a more involved stage set up than that which one person can provide, or if a page turner is needed, it is the performer's responsibility to arrange for this at their own expense. The performance managers **cannot** turn pages
- After the performance, the performance managers will collect any leftover programs, close windows, plug in and cover the piano, turn off the lights and lock up the auditorium. They will wait until the end of the reception (if one has been booked) and then close the windows, shut off the lights and lock the doors
- The performance managers are not responsible for the removal of trash. If trash is found in the building after an event, the performer or director (in the case of a class performance) of that event will be charged to have the garbage removed, and for any damage that may have happened as a result of that garbage. Reminder: They performance managers will NOT throw out your trash.
- These are the only services we can provide. Audio amplification cannot be set up by performance managers.
- No service or stage crew is provided for dress rehearsals. You must set this up yourself please remember to put everything back and plug in piano.
- Failure to adhere to deadlines will result in loss of accessibility and services.

*If stage set up requires any of the following, you as the performer will be responsible for the set up and tear down

- more than 15 chairs and stands
- a harp
- more than 3 percussion instruments use of percussion equipment must be approved in advance by Professor Bull
- if your recital requires multiple pianos or a harpsichord, a third performance manager may be provided as long as it is marked on the Technical Services Request Form and that form is handed in on time.