

SCHOOL OF MUSIC Audition Details

Each applicant must have an interview and complete an audition in the stream they are applying for. Applicants who are located long-distance from the College may send a DVD of their audition or upload it to YouTube followed by a phone or video call interview.

The applicant is required to perform **3 pieces of contrasting style**.

VOCAL STREAM: Applicants must perform at least two covers. Applicants may bring an accompanist or backing tracks may be used. If performing an original song, applicants must provide lyrics. Applicants must have at least one Christian song.

INSTRUMENTAL STREAM: Applicants provide their own instrument (except for piano and drums). Applicants must provide written music if performing their own composition.

Once all your forms have been received an audition time will be arranged for you.

Ideas to help you prepare for your application:

Be thorough Read instructions carefully. Check grammar and spelling of any written material you are asked to prepare.

Choose music strategically Show your range of skills with well-chosen, varied selections. Select music that you can perform well over the latest song, or a song you love but is beyond your range or ability.

Master your material early Begin learning material for your audition well in advance of the audition date and stick to a practice schedule. Perfection is not expected but evidence of good preparation will be. The tutors fully realise that you are a developing musician.

Be ready for the interview You may be asked to explain your music experience, your goals and why you want to study with us. Think about these things and prepare what you will say. You may have written these things in your essay but the ability to communicate verbally and confidently is also something that the tutors will want to know.

Display professionalism Show respect for the process; display a positive attitude, courtesy, and dress appropriately. Be on time. This will all help with your confidence. Most of all, demonstrate through your playing or singing that you love music and are serious about your future education.

Don't worry if you are nervous Everyone who auditions is nervous. However, the tutors are used to seeing nervous students audition and they are on your side! Even if you are nervous, be assured that the tutors will have an accurate view of your musical ability.