

2026 UNDERGRADUATE AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

Undergraduate Programs

The University of Redlands Conservatory of Music offers:

- Bachelor of Music in Composition, Music Education, and Performance
- Bachelor of Arts in Music
- Minor in Music
- Johnston student with an Emphasis in Music
- Ensemble Participation Scholarship

Conservatory of Music Undergraduate Application

The School of Performing Arts (SOPA) application includes options for music and theatre. You can submit the SOPA application via your application status portal at https://admissions.redlands.edu/apply/status after you have applied to University of Redlands (https://www.redlands.edu/admissions-and-aid/).

Conservatory of Music Audition Dates and Deadlines for 2026

Spring auditions: December 1 deadline. Upload a video or call 909.748.8014 to schedule an audition. Fall auditions:

Saturday, February 7 – In-Person at University of Redlands Saturday, February 14 – In-Person at University of Redlands Sunday, February 15 – Video audition submission deadline Saturday, February 21 – Virtual Interviews for Video Auditions

Recorded Auditions

- Please include the title of your piece(s) and the name of the composer(s). These can be announced verbally or displayed as a title in the video.
- Video auditions can be uploaded on your application status page after you submit the SOPA application

Accompanists

- Instrumental auditions should be unaccompanied.
- Voice auditions should be accompanied. An accompanist is provided for in-person auditions.

Scales & Sight-reading

Instrumentalists: You may be asked to play scales in a live audition. All applicants: You may be asked to sight-read in a live audition.

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All applicants: Scales are not required for video auditions.

Admissions Notification

Undergraduate music applicants can only be notified of the audition results or scholarship recommendation after you have been officially admitted to the University of Redlands.

^{*}All applicants are automatically considered for a music scholarship. No additional forms or auditions are required.

Undergraduate Audition Requirements

Classical Instrumental

• 2 contrasting pieces or etudes. Although no specific repertoire is required, the audition material should demonstrate the applicant's musical and technical ability and, if possible, be drawn from different historical periods.

Instrumental auditions should be unaccompanied.

Classical Percussion

- A substantial, non-original, solo on two of the following three instruments:
 - Snare Drum
 - Keyboard Percussion
 - Timpani

Appropriate etudes and exercises may be used instead of a solo for the Minor and BA in Music. See the <u>Percussion Audition Requirements</u> for more information.

Classical Voice

• 2 art songs or arias, each in a different language. Preferred languages are English, French, German, & Italian.

All pieces must be performed from memory

Voice auditions should be accompanied (an accompanist or recorded accompaniment are acceptable)

Jazz Instrumental (guitar, bass, piano)

- 1 standard song or jazz piece
- 1 jazz standard with improvised solo

Music minus one accompaniment is acceptable.

Jazz Drum Set

Demonstrate rhythmic and "groove" competency in the following musical styles:

- 4/4 swing at a variety of tempi
- Shuffle
- Jazz Blues
- Blues Shuffle, Latin Mambo, Samba, Bossa, 6/8 Afro-Cuban, Rock, Funk, Fusion
- Snare drum solo
- Brush technique (jazz ballad or swing)

See the Percussion Audition Requirements for more information.

Composition

- 2 or 3 original works with scores (if applicable) and recordings (if available)
- A brief statement regarding your musical interests and professional goals
- Instrumental or vocal audition as outlined above

If you have any questions or concerns about your audition repertoire, or anything related to the application and audition process, contact Brad Andrews, Director of Admissions for the School of Performing Arts, at brad andrews@redlands.edu or (909) 748-8014.