People choose to major in music for many different reasons, but the primary motivation is usually due to a passion for making music in some capacity. Whether it be through the playing of an instrument, voice, or composition, inspiring people through performance and teaching can be a life-changing experience for all involved. A degree in music involves the study of music theory, music history, participation in ensembles, and applied lessons.

**ABOUT THE MAJOR**

**SAMPLE COURSEWORK**

- Piano Proficiency
- Aural Training I, II, III
- Music Theory I, II, III
- Sight Singing I, II, III
- History of Music I: Antiquity through Renaissance
- Studies in Performance Seminar
- Analysis of Music

**POSSIBLE CAREERS** *some titles may require further education*

- Music Therapist
- Sound Technician
- Event Manager
- Director
- Musician
- Film/Video Broadcasting
- Tutor
- Theatre Stage Manager
- Private Music Teacher
- Arts Administrator
- Professor
- Voice Coach
- Secondary School Teacher
- Community Arts Teacher
- Radio Producer
- Choir Director

**UNI GRADUATES: WHERE ARE THEY NOW?**

- Heartland Presbyterian Church
- Joyful Noise Studio
- Ankeny School District
- Good Night Music
- University of St. Francis
- Hudson Community Schools
- Catamount Recording
- Waukee Community School District
- Music Education Magic
- Sounds Heal Studio
- Trinity Lutheran Church
- Harmony School of Music, Inc.
- West Music Company
- Waterloo Schools
- Reiman Music
- Chicago College of Performing Arts
- Waverly Health Center

**SKILLS NEEDED**

- Active listening
- Creativity
- Responsibility
- Ability to work independently and on a team
- Ability to perform in front of others
- Ability to think in patterns
- Time management
- Aural skills

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