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ACADEMIC/PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIPS for OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS

The School of Music announces a scholarship program for musically gifted and academically talented out-of-state students. These awards are available to students seeking to major in any of the School of Music's undergraduate degree programs/concentrations: music education (instrumental or vocal/general) music industry, theory/composition, jazz studies, or performance (winds, brass, piano, strings, guitar, voice, piano, organ and percussion). The current award is approximately \$17,288 per academic year, which pays the out-of-state tuition. Students enroll at MTSU on in-state rates which is currently 8,296 per academic year. If tuition increases, the award is increased by the same percentage. The award is provided for a maximum of four years for freshmen and three years for transfers, depending on the number of credit hours previously completed. It is contingent upon a successful audition for the School of Music and academic acceptance (see below). While enrolled, students must meet continuing eligibility requirements to maintain the award (see below).

Auditions for the 2016-2017 academic year are: SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 2016, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2016, and SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2016. Guidelines are located at the following website: www.mtsu.edu/music/scholarships.php. Applicants should contact the specific instructor for advice on preparing to audition as our faculty frequently provide free lessons to prospective students. Visit this website to identify the instructor for your instrument: www.mtsu.edu/music/faculty-fields.php.

Qualifications for Entering Freshman and Transfer Students:

- An out-of-state student seeking to major in music (not participating in an Academic Common Market program).
- Freshmen applicants must have a minimum of a 3.0 grade point average and a minimum of a 25 ACT composite score.
- Transfer students must have a 3.0 grade point average and no grade in music lower than a C.
- All students must be academically admitted to MTSU as well as accepted by the School of Music.
- Applicants must successfully interview and audition in-person with the School of Music faculty, which will merit a recommendation for the applicant to receive the out-of-state award.
- Freshmen applicants must complete the Music Theory Placement Test, which is given on audition days. The exam score does not admit nor deny students to the School of Music, but helps faculty place students in the proper classes.
- Transfer students who have taken Music Theory will be advised on which courses they should enroll in at MTSU.

Continuing eligibility requirements:

- Remain as a major in good standing in the School of Music.
- Maintain a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA each semester in residence with no grade lower than a C in any music class.
- Enroll in 15-18 hours, fall and spring semesters, and successfully complete at least 15 hours per term, 30 per academic year.
- Register for courses approved by a faculty academic advisor and meet once per semester with the program advisor
- Participate in assigned ensembles each semester in residence.
- The award is not available to students enrolling for *Maymester* or summer school at MTSU.

Further Information:

- MTSU requires the completion and reporting of the FAFSA for financial aid consideration.
- Students receiving the Out-of-State Academic/Performance award may qualify for additional assistance based upon the quality of their audition. However, no additional MTSU academic scholarships will be provided.
- For assistance contact Dr. Michael Parkinson, Director of the School of Music, michael.parkinson@mtsu.edu, Professor Stephen Smith, Assistant Director of the School of Music, Professor of Voice: h.stephen.smith@mtsu.edu, or Dr. Todd Waldecker, Coordinator of Recruiting, Professor of Clarinet: todd.waldecker@mtsu.edu.



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