

MUSIC

RWU's unique and community-minded Music program layers the exploration of world cultures on top of a solid foundation in theory, history, and composition. All Music students take private lessons, perform with an ensemble, and specialize in the Global Music track or the Electronic Music, Composition, and Technology track.

YOUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Learn and Do More at RWU

With a focus on experiential learning at RWU, Music majors:

- Participate in ensembles including chorus, instrumental ensemble, and chamber groups.
- Are mentored by visiting professional musicians.
- Hear their compositions performed by professional ensembles.
- Study abroad in Italy with performance and internship opportunities.
- Complete a senior capstone project such as composing a string quartet, interning at a recording studio, presenting a solo recital, completing a research project that could be presented at a conference, or creating music for use in videos or games.

Facilities and Resources

The Electronic and Computer Music Production Lab houses 12 Mac workstations outfitted with a suite of the latest music composition and production software packages including Reason, Ableton, Max/MSP, ProTools, and Sibelius. The lab is fully surround-sound capable (8.1) and also houses recording and performing equipment including microphones, MIDI controllers, speakers, and mixers. The lab is used as a teaching space for all technology courses and as a space to work on individual and group projects.

Faculty

Our faculty are composers, theorists, early and global music specialists, and professional performers. In our close-knit program, you will have continued access to their support and expertise.



- + Are you curious about music from around the world?
- + Would you like to work with state-of-the-art software on electronic and computer music production?
- + Do you want to hone your skills as a performing musician or composer?

CAREER OUTLOOK

RWU Music alumni find careers as:

- Composers
- Audio Engineers
- Producers
- Teachers
- App Developers
- Music Therapists
- Researchers
- Journalists and Bloggers
- Arts Administrators

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

 *I am working in the industry I always wanted to be in.* 

Aidan Curran '20
B.A. in Music and Philosophy
Publicity Assistant at PARMA
Recordings,
North Hampton, NH

CURRICULUM

Choose Your Own Track

All Music majors take foundation courses including Theory and Composition, Music History, World Culture Through Music, and Applied Lessons.

Students also choose one of the following tracks:

Global Music Studies track

Connect with the cultures of India, the Middle East, Latin America, East Asia, and indigenous peoples from around the world through the global language of music. Faculty guide students through both classroom and experiential learning with concerts, hands-on activities, and research. This track includes additional music history and performance study in addition to foundation courses.

Electronic Music, Composition, and Technology track

Students on this track take Intro to Music and Computers, Electronic and Computer Music, Music of the 20th-Century and Beyond, and Digital Music Ensemble.

Extracurricular Activities

At RWU, your passion for music extends beyond the classroom. You can continue learning and growing as a musician through:

- Participating in a capella groups and the Musicians Guild.
- Taking field trips to performances with the Music program faculty.
- Enjoying concerts on campus by guest artists and faculty.
- Taking Musical Theatre or trying out for the spring musical.
- Becoming involved in the active local music scene.



**OVER 80% OF
RWU STUDENTS
GRADUATE WITH
MORE THAN JUST
A SINGLE MAJOR**

Design your experience with your passion and have a unique career advantage with a minor or double major. Many students combine **Music** with:

- Marketing
- Public Relations
- Journalism
- Graphic Design
- Psychology

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