

PERFORMING ARTS

As a performing arts major, you will develop a wide range of overlapping performance skills that prepare you for multiple disciplines and career paths. The major involves an interdisciplinary study of dance, music, and theatre – both on stage and behind the scenes - leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree in Performing Arts.

YOUR STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Learn and Do More at RWU

With a focus on experiential learning at RWU, performing arts majors can:

- Spend a semester abroad in London, working alongside renowned performers, perfecting their craft, and attending shows.
- Perform with The Dance Theatre, RWU's dance company.
- Work and learn from visiting artists.
- Participate in music ensembles and take lessons from seasoned faculty.

- + Do you love to perform?
- + Are you passionate about theatre, dance and music and the connections among them?
- + Would you like to learn history and theory of performing arts while actively developing your skills in studios and performances?

CAREER OUTLOOK

What careers do RWU performing arts alumni have?

- Professional actor
- Dance teacher
- Choreographer
- Technical director
- Drama teacher
- Lighting technician
- Designer
- Producer



Facilities/Resources

Classes and productions take place in The Performing Arts Center, affectionately known to students as “The Barn.” This flexible black box space becomes a second home to students, allowing them to become part of a close-knit community of creative individuals.

CURRICULUM

Faculty

At RWU, your faculty are also professional artists. Faculty work as a team to offer a diverse set of experiences and perspectives to each student. They also work to hone each student’s individuality so you can distinguish yourself as a professional with your own unique style.

Structure

Performing Arts students take foundation courses in Music, Dance, and Theatre, and additional courses in Theory and History. Together with faculty, you will design a specific program of study, choosing two different areas on which to focus, which will determine your additional courses.

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

RWU students have paired **Performing Arts** with:

- Psychology
- Marketing
- Graphic Design
- Secondary Education
- Public Relations
- Arts Management

