

IPFW Music Therapy Program

Music therapy is a thriving undergraduate degree program at IPFW.

Under the umbrella of the College of Visual and Performing Arts, and housed in the Department of Music, the IPFW Bachelor of Science in Music Therapy program provides the student with a broad, general studies foundation for which IPFW is known, with a strong core of music training which provides the advanced skills and musicianship necessary for using music in therapy, and with a combination of didactic and experiential training in music therapy, including extensive clinical training in both the campus clinic and with professional music therapists in community agencies.



The curriculum is a minimum of 129 undergraduate credits, including a six month, full-time internship at an approved clinical placement. Graduates of the program are eligible to sit for the board certification exam, administered by the Certification Board for Music Therapy, Inc., leading to the professional credential of MT-BC (music therapist-board certified).

IPFW music therapy students have recently been accepted into internship programs in New Orleans, Minneapolis, Ohio, and New York State, as well as the Fort Wayne area. Recent graduates work with a variety of clientele including the developmentally disabled, disabled children in school and



home settings, the terminally ill, the aging and elderly, and those suffering from mental illness and substance abuse.

The IPFW Music Therapy Clinic serves individuals and groups in the Fort Wayne community, and provides opportunity for hands-on learning for students under the direct supervision of an MT-BC.

A range of clientele is served in the clinic, and referrals come from area health providers, schools, and parents or other family members. Call or email to find out about availability of music therapy services for you, your family member, or friend.

For more information about the IPFW music therapy program or the IPFW Music Therapy Clinic, please call 260-481-6716, or e-mail jacksonn@ipfw.edu. Or, call the Department of Music office at 260-481-6714.





On October 4, 2007, the new Rhinehart Music Center was officially dedicated and opened to the community.

The acoustically superb Rhinehart Music Center was designed by Fort Wayne-based architect firm Schenkel Shultz and serves the university and the community. It features the 1,600-seat Auer Performance Hall and the 250-seat Rhinehart Recital Hall, which is used by the IPFW Department of Music, the IPFW Omnibus Lecture Series and community arts partners.

It also features a number of rehearsal halls, studios and practice rooms. Planning for the \$25 million dollar facility began in November 2005, with funding coming from the state and through generous donations from the community.

The Rhinehart Recital Hall and the Auer Performance Hall will be the primary meeting locations for the 2008 ARIMM Conference, with state-of-the-art audio-visual and sound equipment and performing stage.

John and Ruth Rhinehart Music Center

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