

Music



Develop your musical skills and knowledge with Christian professors who encourage your creativity and relate faith to the art and craft of music.

Engage in the serious study, composition and performance of great music at an advanced level. Discover the vital role music plays in the liberal arts and the Westmont community. Choose from the general, music performance, and music composition tracks or earn the professional Bachelor of Music Education (B.M.E.) degree that leads to a public school teaching credential. Study at a school accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM).

Highly supportive music scholarship program available to all qualified students, both majors and non-majors

SPECIFIC MAJORS

- B.M. - Performance
(Instrumental and Vocal)
- B.M. - Pre-Teaching
Credential
- B.A. - Composition
- B.A. - Performance
- B.A. - Worship Leadership
- B.A. - General Music

SELECTED COURSES

- Principles of Music
- Ensembles
- Private Lessons
- Conducting
- Music History
- Composition
- Orchestras, Choirs, Chamber Music, Jazz Ensemble
- Annual Opera/Musical Theater Productions

CAREER PATHS

- Performing musician
- Music teacher
- Church music
- Music publishing
- Music management
- Music business
- Recording
- Broadcasting

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS



RUTH LIN, D.M.A.

Orchestra,
Conducting,
Opera and
Literature



STEVE HODSON,
D.M.A.

Piano, Organ,
Conducting



ZIG REICHWALD,
Ph.D.

Music History,
Church Music



STEVE BUTLER,
D.M.A.

Composition,
Computer-aided
Music, Music
Theory



HAN SOO KIM,
D.M.A.

Internationally
acclaimed violinist,
Chamber Music



DANIEL GEE, D.M.A.

College Choir,
Chamber Singers,
Conducting,
Composition

Along with renowned specialists on every orchestral instrument, voice, organ, strings and piano

OPPORTUNITIES ABROAD



- Music Semester in Vienna
- Westmont's Europe Semester
- Westmont in Northern Europe
- Westmont's England Semester
- Westmont in Asia
- Regular international ensemble tours

ALUMNI

Isaac Kay '16 graduated from Westmont with a degree in music, focusing on violin performance, studying at the Heidelberg Opera House, touring Italy with the orchestra, and performing as a concerto soloist. He did graduate work at the University of Denver's Lamont School of Music and the San Francisco Conservatory of Music and is completing a Doctor of Musical Arts at the University of Colorado Boulder. A member of the Colorado Springs Philharmonic, he has performed with the Omaha Symphony, Santa Barbara Symphony, Boulder Philharmonic and New World Symphony and has received fellowships at the Aspen Music Festival and School, among others. His violin students at Westmont won the concerto competition and attended music festivals. Isaac has created and hosts a new docuseries, Travel Notes, that seeks unity and connection through music.

Aaron Wilk '16 majored in biology, chemistry and music with an emphasis in piano performance. An M.D./Ph.D. student at Stanford University, he studies how the immune system can protect from and contribute to viral diseases, including COVID-19. He continues to study piano at Stanford, staying active in solo performance and chamber music. "In high school, I was worried about finding ways to balance my two academic passions: science and music. Westmont provided me with the flexibility and resources to pursue both passions well. The interdisciplinary approach of the Westmont liberal arts education, combined with the vibrant community of the Music Department, presents a one-of-a-kind opportunity to holistically develop your musical craft."



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