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Welcome to the TCU Bands

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Welcome to the Texas Christian University Bands and the Horned Frog Marching Band.

The TCU Bands are a vital part of campus life at Texas Christian University. Members of the bands come from all academic disciplines within the University and, in fact, a large portion of the membership in the various bands at TCU comes from outside the School of Music. This diverse mixture of people and interests provides a truly unique environment found in few campus organizations.

The TCU Bands have a long and distinguished tradition of excellence and accomplishment spanning over a century. Membership in the bands carries with it a significant responsibility to uphold and continue that tradition. It involves dedication, achievement, and hard work. There is always a place in the TCU Bands for anyone who exhibits these important qualities.

The TCU Bands offers a full program of concert, marching, pep, and jazz ensembles each year. These ensembles are open to all students at TCU regardless of academic major. All bands meet and rehearse in Ed Landreth Hall, the Walsh Center and/or Parking Lot 2 on the TCU campus. All Band grant scholarship recipients are required to audition for assignment to a concert ensemble (and jazz ensembles, when applicable) each semester. TCU members of the Horned Frog Marching Band receive a \$3,000 scholarship for their participation.

Punctuality, preparation, positive attitude, and attendance at every rehearsal and performance are expected. Please pay close attention to the schedules and arrange to attend all the activities and performances scheduled. Changes in the schedule are rare, and it is your responsibility to make the necessary arrangements for enough in advance to avoid conflicts.

For those willing to make a commitment, the TCU Bands can be a source of pride and enjoyment long after your college years have passed. The music, games, trips, and memories you make with your fellow band members will be with you for a lifetime. We encourage you to get involved and develop close relationships with all of your band colleagues. The band staff is experienced and ready to help you. We know you will find them competent, efficient, and willing to give you any assistance you may need.

If pride, excellence, hard work, friendship, and teamwork interest you, the TCU Bands are for you. Welcome, and enjoy!

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Horned Frog Marching Band

General Information

The Horned Frog Marching Band performs at all home football games, several away games, bowl games, guest exhibitions, pep rallies, other campus functions, and the Fort Worth Stock Show Parade.

While Marching Band is a Fall semester course, all members are encouraged to enroll in one of the three concert organizations that meet in the Spring: The Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band and University Concert Band. The Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band also meet during the Fall semester. Several outstanding jazz ensembles, along with the TCU Basketball Band, are also great musical opportunities at TCU.

Colorguard

The TCU Colorguard adds pop, color, drama, and an expanded visual component to the Marching Band. We welcome a wide range of talent and skill and do not require previous colorguard experience. There is a short two-day audition process to be placed in the Colorguard which checks basic skills presented during the first day of camp. Colorguard members spin flags, rifles, and sabers. For the weapon line, previous experience is typically needed. Members are not required to play an instrument for any concert bands but are encouraged to participate in other areas of the TCU School of Music.

For further questions about the TCU Colorguard please email <u>s.owens@tcu.edu</u> or by calling the TCU Band office at 817.257.7640.

Extended Education at TCU

The Horned Frog Marching Band provides collegeage musicians in the DFW Area an opportunity to participate as a member of the Horned Frog Marching Band while attending another university or community college in the DFW area that does not have a marching band. A fee is required to register.

For more information, email Sharie Owens at <u>s.owens@tcu.edu</u> or call 817.257.7640.

Marching Band Registration

ALL Marching Band Members should register through their official TCU course selection or TCU Extended Ed and <u>online</u>. Online registration is due by June 13. Please review the <u>TCU Band Webpage</u> with links to the season calendar under "Band Information" prior to August 1 so we can make preparations prior to August camp.

Band fees are assessed according to your specific section. Please be sure to check your TCU course schedule to verify you are registered for the correct Marching Band section:

- Woodwinds MUSI 10110-075(71017)
- Brass MUSI 10110-074 (71014)
- Colorguard MUSI 10110-076 (71019)
- Drumline/Percussion MUSI 10110-077 (71021)

On-site registration is required for all TCU Horned Frog Marching Band members on Saturday, August 17 from 9am - 1pm. Shoe and uniform sizing, as well as instrument check-out, will be done during this time. See more information below.

Instrument Check-out

TCU Marching Band instruments (piccolos, trumpets, mellophones, trombones, euphoniums & tubas) will be available for check out Saturday, August 17th from 9am to 1pm in the Band Hall (Walsh 104). All brass will be using TCU marching instruments unless approval is provided by the Director of the Horned Frog Marching Band.

Marching Band Auditions

There is no audition required to join the TCU Horned Frog Marching Band. There *are* auditions *for marching spots only*. Music assessment may be involved at the beginning of camp for part assignments and chair order placement, except for percussion members (see page 12).

Members need to register for the TCU course (one of the 4 sections listed above) or through TCU Extended Education (email <u>s.owens@tcu.edu</u> for **more information); fill out our online registration form** prior to June 13; and arrange to participate in the annual Horned Frog Summer Band Camp, August 18-22, that runs all day, the week prior to the beginning of the semester.

Horned Frog Summer Band

Horned Frog Summer Band Camp

The Marching Band begins preparation for the upcoming season by arriving early to campus to learn the first pregame and half-time shows. Each section meets during the camp to work on music and marching style, while developing a common bond upon which to build a great season. When classes begin, band members are already settled into their dorms and ready to start the semester.

Summer Band Camp Schedule

Thursday, August 15 - Friday, August 16 Drumline Auditions: meet in Walsh Lobby - 9am

Band Leadership: meet in PepsiCo - 9am **Colorguard**: meet in Walsh Lobby - 10am - 5pm

Saturday, August 17: 9am - 1pm

Marching Band Registration – Walsh 2nd Floor Lobby This will include instrument check-out, shoe & uniform sizing.

All Band Meeting in PepsiCo Recital Hall: 4 - 5:30pm Section Bonding from 6:30 - 9pm

Sunday, August 18 Drumline Rehearsal:1 - 10pm

Drumline Rehearsal:1 - 10pm Marching Band Rehearsal: 1 - 4pm Band Picnic: 6 - 9pm

Monday, August 19 – Thursday, August 22 Begin marching outdoors - 8:00 am - Lot 2 (Map) Members are assigned uniforms during the week.

Thursday, August 22

Band Photo: 7 - 9am Jazz Ensemble Brass Auditions: 12 - 5 pm Wind Symphony/Symphonic Band Auditions: TBA

Friday, August 23

Jazz Ensemble Rhythm Auditions: TBA

Sign-ups will be done during camp sectionals on Tues. & Wed. See page 9 for more information.

Wind Symphony/Symphonic Band Auditions: TBA

Sunday, August 25 Jazz Ensemble Saxophone Auditions:1 - 6pm

Orientation Sessions & Frog Camp

Some Orientation Sessions/Frog Camps conflict with band rehearsals during band camp. You may be excused from these rehearsals; however, the Director of the Marching Band must have these excused absences in writing prior to the rehearsals missed. You may e-mail this information to b.youngblood@tcu.edu. We will learn pre-game drill during the first rehearsals of camp. Those students with numerous misses could miss getting a spot for pre-game drill.

Dorm Move-in Dates

Residential Services allows early dorm move-in dates for <u>pre-registered</u> band members indicated below:

Wednesday, August 14 - 9am - 2pm

All Drumline, Drum Majors, Colorguard, and Section Leaders only will check in at the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center. The Drumline, Band Leadership, and Colorguard meet a few days before the camp begins for training, practice, and preparations.

Saturday, August 17 - 9am - 2pm

Returning band members living on campus and freshmen will check in at the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center. Please coordinate your dorm move-in around Band Registration and the All-Band Meeting.

Students should be aware the "meal plan" will not be available until "brunch" at noon on Sunday, August 18. There are many off-campus options, as well as Chick-fil-A and Union Grounds in the Brown-Lupton University Union (BLUU).

Equipment for Rehearsals

INSTRUMENT, LYRE, ALL REHEARSAL MUSIC, FLIP FOLDER, ALL DRILL CHARTS AS ISSUED, AND A PENCIL are basic materials for every rehearsal and some performances.

Water Dispenser - You might want your own water jug. Please mark this item with your name. Water will be provided at all rehearsals, but it is a good idea to have your own quart-sized container.

Lyres - Every band member (except flute & percussion) should bring a lyre for their instrument to every rehearsal and in the stands or at pep rally performances. Although we will be memorizing all music for performances, always have your lyre and music handy. You will need to have a lyre even if you have a school-owned instrument that didn't include one in the case. Buy one before camp!

Regular Weekly Practice Schedule

Monday/Friday 4:05-6:00PM Rehearsal - Full Band Wednesday 4:15-6:00PM Rehearsal - Full Band

Horned Frog Marching Band

Band, Uniform & Instrument Fees

All Band fees will be charged directly to your TCU account upon registration for the course.

All members of the Marching Band and Colorguard pay annual band fees of \$200 for the following:

- Uniform fee assessed for uniform use
- Uniform items provided for each member: band uniform shirt, baseball cap, polo shirt, gloves (if applicable), and marching shoes.
- Associated travel and social activities

All members are responsible for any loss or damage of uniforms or TCU equipment.

A \$75.00 - per season - non-refundable Instrument/ Equipment Fee will be charged to all **Percussion**, **Piccolo**, **Tenor Sax**, **Trumpet**, **Mellophone**, **Trombone**, **Euphonium**, **& Tuba** members for marching instruments provided by TCU to assist with the cost of repairs/maintenance.

Marching Band Scholarships

All TCU student members of the Horned Frog Marching Band will receive \$3,000 distributed in three payments as explained here. (Link to 2019 Band Handbook - Coming Soon!) More information will be presented during the All-Band meeting.

Traveling with the TCU Band

To travel with the marching band, TCU Policy states that students must:

- Register for the course, through TCU or TCU Extended Education if you are concurrently enrolled at another college w/o a marching band by emailing <u>s.owens@tcu.edu</u> or calling 817.257.7640 for registration information.
- Complete a <u>Student/Participant Release and</u>
 <u>Indemnity Agreement</u>
- Complete an <u>Emergency Medical Treatment</u>
 <u>Information Form</u>
- Complete a Band Pre-Registration Form.

Please take care of this during band camp. Bring your completed forms to Band Registration on August 17.

Marching Band Leadership

Drum Majors

Richard Alvarado Jordyn Gonzalez Ivan Terriquez

Individual Section Leadership

Mikayla Probst & Lydia MarshallFlute
Rachel Militzer & Taylor Courtney Clarinet
Reagan Raffaele, Jack Emery &
Wyatt GroseSaxophone
Joseph McGee, Issac Castro-Ortiz & Eithan
Moropo

Moreno Irumpet
Haley Emerson & Caitlin Cox Mellophone
Tim Lewis & Austin Marlow Trombone
Christopher Finch Euphonium
Jose Perez & JJ ElerickTuba

<u>Drumline</u>

John Cope & Claire Despain . Section Leaders Drumline Individual Section Leadership

John Cope	Front Ensemble
Aaron Mincey	Snare Drum
	T D
Tanner Moseley	Ienor Drum
Claira Dospain	
Claire DeSpain	Bass Dium
Madalina Nunaz	Cumbals
Madeline Nunoz	Cymbals

Colorguard Captain

Alyssa Becker

<u>Twirlers</u>

Ashlyn Therkelsen & Emma Kate Wichman

Band Council

The Band President, Vice President & Freshman Representative will be selected during August Band Camp.

Topy Nguyen	Kappa Kappa Psi President
Anne Hatton	Tau Beta Sigma President

A Note from the Drum Majors



Welcome to the 2019 Horned Frog Marching Band!

Welcome to another season of the Horned Frog Band! If you are a returning member, we are happy to have you back and if you are a new member, we hope you are excited to experience the college marching band atmosphere! We are looking forward to the 2019 Horned Frog Football season.

We have 6 home games and 6 away games, 4 of which we will travel to with the team. We open our season as we "Shave the Manes," hosting the University of Arkansas – Pine Bluff Lions on August 31st. The next game, the team will travel to face to Purdue University Boilermakers as we "Beat the Tinkers" on September 14th. We will then host the Southern Methodist University Mustangs as we "Pound the Ponies" at the Battle for the Iron Skillet on September 21st. After that, we host the University of Kansas Jayhawks as we "Squawk the Hawks" on September 28th. The next game will be at the home of the lowa State University Cyclones as we cheer on the team to "Break the Wind." The team will then leave to face the Kansas State University Wildcats to "Smack the Cats" on October 19th. We will then host the University of Texas Longhorns as we "Grill the Steak" on October 26th. Next, we travel to the campus of the Oklahoma State Cowboys as we "Choke the Pokes" on November 2nd. We then host the Baylor University Bears as we "Hunt the Bears" on November 9th. We then make the trip to face the Texas Tech Red Raiders as we "Beat the Rash" on November 16th. Our last away game will be against the University

of Oklahoma Sooners as we "Burn the Wagon" on November 23rd. Our final regular season game will be against the University of West Virginia Mountaineers as we "Burn the Couches" on November 29th.

This season marks the 5th year since the introduction of the marching band scholarship, and the Horned Frog Band has been growing rapidly each year. We are looking ahead to jumping into another fun and fast-paced season of Horned Frog football while having a blast both on and off the field. The Pride of TCU is also proud to continue our Extended Education program, where any local college student that attends a school without a marching band program is welcome to become a member of The Pride of TCU. We welcome anyone that attends Texas Wesleyan University, Tarrant County College, or any other local colleges!

The Pride of TCU is a huge family and we are so excited for this season to begin. We look forward to seeing everyone in August!

Please feel free to email us with any questions or concerns and we will be more than happy to help!

Sincerely,

Richard Alvarado - <u>r.alvarado@tcu.edu</u>

Jordyn Gonzalez - j.p.gonzalez@tcu.edu

Ivan Terriquez - i.a.terriquez@tcu.edu

2019 Drum Majors, The Pride of TCU Horned Frog Marching Band

Concert Ensembles - Fall Auditions



The TCU Wind Symphony performed at the CBDNA convention in Tempe, Arizona in February 2019.

TCU Wind Symphony

The Texas Christian University Wind Symphony has established itself as one of the outstanding collegiate wind bands in America. The Wind Symphony frequently hosts visiting composers in rehearsal and performance, which provides interaction with the creative process that makes music a living art form.

Graduates of the Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band have gone on to hold positions in professional symphony orchestras, military bands, and recording studios, in addition to those serving as noted teachers and conductors.

The group schedules frequent appearances by guest composers, soloists, and conductors. Recent guests include Boston Brass, American Wind Symphony, Demondrae Thurman, Michael Daugherty, John Mackey, Frank Ticheli, Michael Colgrass, David Maslanka, James Keene, Gary Green, Tim Reynish, Ray Lichtenwalter, John Whitwell, Jay Gephart, Colonel Ray Toler, and Paul Dooley.

The Wind Symphony, under the direction of Bobby R. Francis, has performed at Fort Worth's Bass Hall, New York's Carnegie Hall and the prestigious 84th Annual Convention of the American Bandmasters Association. In the Spring of 2019, they performed at the National CBDNA Conference in Tempe, Arizona premiering Paul Dooley's work, "Manifestos."

The Wind Symphony is scheduled to perform at the Texas Music Educators Association convention in February of 2020 with guest artist Jens Lindemann.

TCU Symphonic Band

The Texas Christian University Symphonic Band has developed a tradition of outstanding performances and recordings of high quality repertoire. Members include a mixture of music majors and additional fine musicians from across the TCU campus.



The TCU Symphonic Band performed at the CBDNA Regional Conference at the University of Arkansas in March 2014.

Under the direction of Brian Youngblood, the curriculum focuses upon offering the students wind music of artistic and historical significance. Repertoire selections include works on the Texas UIL 5A and 6A list. Through rehearsal and performance of this range of repertoire, students are exposed to a wide variety of compositional techniques, rehearsal processes and expressive possibilities. Symphonic Band is offered during the fall and spring semesters.

Concert Ensembles - Fall Auditions



Fall 2019 - Ensemble Auditions

IMPORTANT! All scholarship recipients and music majors are required to audition for these ensembles.

Audition Requirements

Auditions for Wind Symphony and Symphonic Band will be held Thursday & Friday, August 23-23.

Audition times will be assigned during August-please keep checking your e-mail for more information.

If you are not a member of the marching band but plan to be part of either ensemble, please email Sharie Owens at s.owens@tcu.edu or call 817-257-7640 to be assigned an audition time.

THIS YEAR'S AUDITION REPERTOIRE IS AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD HERE.

In addition to the excerpts, all 12 major scales and chromatic should be prepared to perform from memory. Sight reading will be utilized when there is a tie for ensemble placement.

Undergraduate/Graduate ensemble band members should register in one of the following course sections:

- Wind Symphony MUSI 10010-035 (70970)-UG MUSI 60010-035 (70972)-Grad
- Symphonic Band MUSI 10210-035 (71074)-UG MUSI 60210-035 (71075)-Grad

Concert Performance Schedule*

THURSDAY, October 3, 2019 Wind Symphony/Symphonic Band Concert - 7pm 6pm Call Time - WS report to Band Hall

MONDAY, November 25, 2019 Wind Symphony Concert - 7pm 6pm Call Time

TUESDAY, December 3, 2019 Symphonic Band Concert - 7pm 6pm Call Time

TUESDAY, February 11, 2020 Wind Symphony/Symphonic Band Concert - 7pm 6pm Call Time - WS report to Band Hall

WEDNESDAY-SATURDAY, February 12-15, 2020 Texas Music Educators Association Convention Concert date/time TBA

TUESDAY, April 14, 2020 Wind Symphony Concert - 7pm 6pm Call Time

THURSDAY- April 16, 2020 Concert Band/Symphonic Band Concert - 7pm 6pm Call Time

* Tentative - verify dates and times prior to performances.

Concert Band & Basketball Band



The TCU Basketball Band celebrates at Madison Square Garden in New York City during TCU's Men's March 2017 Basketball Championship NIT-winning performance.

University Concert Band

The Texas Christian University Concert Band meets in the Spring Semester only.

There is no audition for the band and members come from all areas of study with many music majors playing secondary instruments. Under the direction of Matt Garrett, the band performs music from the UIL Grade 4 and 5 lists with a focus on giving music majors knowledge of rehearsal techniques and problem solving skills for musical issues.

Rehearsals are scheduled on Mondays 5:00 - 5:50 pm and Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:50 pm. The band only performs in one concert near the end of the Spring Semester, so the time commitment to be a part of the band is very reasonable.

For more information about either ensemble, contact Matt Garrett at <u>m.r.garrett@tcu.edu.</u>

TCU Basketball Band

The TCU Basketball Bond is an integral part of the TCU Basketball Experience!

The band performs at all home games during the season, except for games over Winter Break, and travels with the teams to the Big 12 Tournaments in Oklahoma City and Kansas City, as well as possible NIT/NCAA Tournaments.

In 2018, the band traveled to Detroit, Michigan to support the TCU Men's Basketball team in their first NCAA Tournament appearance in over 20 years! Additionally, the Basketball Band supported our Women's team in post season play as they advanced to the NIT Tournament Semi-Finals.

Membership is open to all, and there is no audition to join the band. The band does not meet as a class and will only hold rehearsals periodically during the season. Members do get paid for each game they attend as well as being fed a meal after each game.

From the Director of Jazz Studies



Welcome to TCU Jazz

The TCU Jazz program consists of at least two big bands along with several student combos.

Welcome back! The annual TCU Jazz Festival, one of the most prestigious in the Southwest, has hosted over 10,000 high school & middle school students since its inception in 1978. We have a very exciting year ahead of us as we prepare for the 43rd Annual TCU Jazz Festival, which will take place on March 20-21, 2020. We have a very exciting year ahead of us, culminating with featuring jazz bassist John Clayton as our guest artist.

The TCU Jazz Ensembles have appeared in concert with several internationally-known jazz artists, appeared at conventions of the International Association of Jazz Educators, College Band Directors National Association, and the Texas Music Educators Association. The ensembles have also made numerous appearances in Europe and the former Soviet Union.

Jazz Auditions

You can find the music for all instrumentalists posted on the <u>TCU Band website</u> on the Jazz tab. Please have this material prepared for your audition.

Additionally, I'll ask you to sight-read and improvise if you want to be considered for a "jazz" chair in one of the ensembles. With the exception of drumset, ALL of the auditions will take place in my studio – (Foster 006). Sign-ups will be posted near the band office the week of August 19th. Please make sure to sign up for an audition time. It is my intention to have the bands set and rehearsing on the first day of classes (Monday, August 26). See you soon!

Joe Eckert Professor of Saxophone/Director of Jazz Studies j.eckert@tcu.edu

Tentative Jazz Audition Schedule*

Auditions will consist of prepared music <u>(see Band</u> <u>website - Jazz tab)</u>, sight-reading and improvisation. ALL band scholarship students that play a jazz instrument are required to audition.

THURSDAY - August 22

12:00pm - 5:00pm: All Brass (Eckert Studio: Foster 006)

FRIDAY - August 23 Time TBA - Drum Set (West Studio: Walsh 103)

SUNDAY - August 25 1:00pm – 6:00pm Saxophone & piano/bass/guitar auditions (Eckert Studio: Foster 006)

MONDAY - August 26

First rehearsal for both bands – there may be call backs taking place during the first day's rehearsal, so please have both time slots available.

All jazz ensembles meet Mon-Wed-Fri.

Mr. Eckert's band (first band) meets from 12:00 - 12:50pm in the Band Hall (Walsh 104). MUSI 10190-040(71060)-UG or MUSI 60190-040(71061)-Grad

Mr. Carter's band (second band) meets in the Band Hall (Walsh 104) from 1:00 - 1:50pm

MUSI 10190-050(71062)-UG or MUSI 60190-050(71063)-Grad

If the numbers support the formation of a complete third band, it will meet from 1:00 - 1:50 MWF in PepsiCo (Director TBA).

IMPORTANT: Try to keep Noon - 2:00 p.m. (M-W-F) free on your schedule if you are not sure which jazz ensemble you will make.

* Please check back closer to the beginning of the school year for any changes in this audition schedule.

A Letter to all Percussionists

Greetings! We hope everyone is having a great summer. We are very excited about this year's Percussion Studio and are looking forward to a great year. Competition for this year's Studio will be quite stiff, so we encourage you to prepare accordingly.

Drumline Auditions

Dorm check-in for Drumline is on Wednesday, August 14 from 9:00am - 1:00pm in the Dee J. Kelly Alumni and Visitors Center. The actual Drumline auditions/camp will begin on Thursday, August 15, with auditions beginning at 9am in the Band Hall located in the Walsh Center, Room 104. The audition process will begin with your individual audition and then continue thoughout camp. It usually takes a few days to get all the sections set and everyone in place. If you would like to participate in the Drumline, you must arrive on August 15 ready to audition.

Drumline Audition Requirements

Those wishing to audition for the snare or tenor line must be prepared to perform:

- The <u>snare</u> or <u>tenor</u> part to "Bicycle Race" (TCU Band 2019 Opener)
- The snare or tenor part to "Uncommon Mind Control"
- The <u>snare</u> or <u>tenor</u> part to "Triplet Dots" included in this newsletter
- any of the standard 40 PAS rudiments
- any of the warm-ups
- sight-reading will also be included

Those interested in auditioning for the bass line must be prepared to perform:

- The <u>bass drum #2</u> part to "Bicycle Race" (TCU Band 2019 opener)
- The bass drum #2 part to "Uncommon Mind Control"
- The bass drum #2 part to "Triplet Dots"
- any of the standard 40 PAS rudiments
- any of the warm-ups included in this newsletter
- sight-reading will be included

Those interested in auditioning for the cymbal line must be prepared to perform:

- Standard crashes at any dynamic level
- The cymbal #3 part to "Bicycle Race" (TCU Band 2019 opener)
- The cymbal #3 part to "Uncommon Mind Control"
- The cymbal #3 part to "Triplet Dots"
- sight-reading will be included

Those interested in auditioning for the front ensemble (**pit**) must be prepared to perform:

- A mallet solo of your choice (2 or 4 mallet selection)
- Any major scale and arpeggio (2 octaves)
- Any of the warm-ups
- sight-reading will be included

All drumline members are expected to attend all Drumline and Band Camp rehearsals - please plan accordingly now to be available from August 15 - 25 (all day, every day - including evenings). A specific schedule will be given to you when you arrive. During the Fall semester, extra Drumline rehearsals will be held one evening during the week (exact day TBA) and Saturdays before games - i.e. don't schedule anything on a game day. Additional section rehearsals will be scheduled once the sections are set.

Percussion Ensemble/Concert Bands/Orchestra/

Jazz Ensemble Auditions and Requirements

Auditions for all concert and jazz ensembles - percussion ensemble, concert bands, orchestra, jazz ensembles, etc. will take place on Thursday and Friday, August 22 - 23 (and Saturday, August 24 if needed). Students will audition for both concert and jazz ensembles at the same time. Auditions will occur while the Drumline rehearses (students will come inside in groups designated by the staff to audition).

PERC.ENSEMBLES/CONCERT BANDS/ORCHESTRA:

- 1. Concert Snare Drum selection:
- Pick a short piece, a section of a piece, etc. (approx. 2 minutes in length) that shows off your musical and technical abilities.

2. Keyboard Perc. Instrument selection(marimba, vibe, etc.):

Pick a short piece (2 or 4 mallet), a section of a piece, etc. (approximately 2 minutes in length) that shows off your musical and technical abilities.

3. Sightreading on snare and keyboard percussion

JAZZ ENSEMBLE / DRUMSET:

- Styles demonstration Jazz, Rock, Latin
- Prepared material posted by Mr. Eckert
- Sight reading will also be included •
- Possible additional auditions will be held during the first week of school with a live band.

All concert and jazz ensembles will begin rehearsaing during the first week of school.

All percussionists must supply their own sticks and/or mallets for the year; be sure to show up with something to play with. Those students assigned to the Drumline bass drum section will get one free pair of mallets for the season, then you must supply your own.

We are looking forward to working with each and every one of you. Please contact us if you have any questions -817-257-5759, or b.west@tcu.edu.

Have a fun and relaxing summer - and keep practicing!

Dr. Brian A. West Division Chair and Coordinator of Percussion

Joey Carter Instructor in Percussion, Jazz, & Theory

Jeff Hodge

Percussion Instructor, Drumline Instructor

TCU Symphony Orchestra

Welcome to the TCU Symphony Orchestra!

If you play a wind instrument or are a percussionist, we would love to have you audition to be a part of the orchestra. We perform two or three concerts per semester, and rehearsals are from 3:30 - 5:20pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Strings only meet additionally on Monday from 3:30 - 5:20pm.

Recently, we have performed *Carmina Burana* and Beethoven *Symphony No.* 9 with the TCU Symphonic Choir at the Fort Worth Bass Hall. We have traveled several times to San Juan, Puerto Rico as the official orchestra of the Fiesta Iberoamericana de las Artes. We have won an Argentina Grammy and were invited to perform in Argentina in May 2013. The TCU Symphony Orchestra also presented a monumental performance of Shostakovich's *Symphony No.* 5 at the 2019 TMEA Conference in San Antonio.

As a member of the TCU Symphony Orchestra, you can fulfill the ensemble portion of your degree requirement of 4 hours of ensemble coursework.

For more information, contact Dr. Germán Gutiérrez, Conductor: <u>g.gutierrez@tcu.edu</u>.

Audition Information

Orchestra auditions for 2019 - 2020 academic year will be coordinated by the applied faculty members as follows:

- Wind and Brass players for the TCU Symphony will be recommended by the faculty, based on the results of the Band auditions. Audition music can be found on the <u>TCU Band website.</u>
- String players will audition for the string faculty on the first day of classes, August 26 from 3:30 to 5:30pm. Music excerpts will be announced the second week of August if not sooner by the Orchestra Graduate Assistant, Matthew Lovelace.

IMPORTANT: It is your responsibility to prepare your music at or close to correct tempos. Listening to recordings is highly recommended and expected. Your familiarity with the excerpt's proper range of tempos and manner of execution is an important part of your audition. Please email Dr. Germán Gutiérrez - g.gutierez@tcu.edu with any questions regarding orchestra auditions.



The TCU Symphony Orchestra's was featured as the College Honor Orchestra at the 2019 TMEA Annual Convention in San Antonio, where they brilliantly performed Shostakovich's Symphony No. 5.

Kappa Kappa Psi



A Note from the President

Hello Horned Frog Band! My name is Topy Nguyen, and I will be serving you all as the president of the Gamma Sigma chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi. It is our duty as a chapter, along with Tau Beta Sigma, to make sure that everyone in the band has the tools to make this upcoming year a great one for all involved!

What is Kappa Kappa Psi? Kappa Kappa Psi is a National Honorary Band Fraternity that was founded in 1919 in Stillwater, Oklahoma. We are a coeducational fraternity comprised of individuals who value brotherhood and service, while being ultimately tied together through our love of music. Our priorities include creating strong relationships within our brotherhood, promoting service, advancing the college band, and helping build character within the band program so that all members can be the best version of themselves that they can be.

As a service fraternity, we strive to make sure we provide plentiful service, leadership, and social opportunities for all of our members, while also being as welcoming as possible to any member of the Horned Frog Band! If you are at all interested in serving the band, being a leader, or joining a community of devoted brothers, or just have any questions about band/college in general, feel free to contact either me or our Vice President of Membership, Mikayla Probst (m.m.probst@tcu.edu).

Be on the lookout as well for our upcoming information sessions and rush events that will start to happen throughout the fall. These events will be open for anyone in the band, and we would love to see you all there!

On behalf of all the brothers of Kappa Kappa Psi, we look forward to seeing and meeting every one of you, and to another exciting year of Horned Frog Band. Go Frogs!

Topy Nguyen

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Tau Beta Sigma

A Note from the President

Hi Horned Frog Band!

I am so excited for all of you who are returning to perform with the marching band and those who will be starting this journey! It will be a season spent making lifelong memories, experiences, and friendships.

My name is Anne Marie Hatton, and I am humbled to be serving the band as the president of the Beta Delta chapter of Tau Beta Sigma. Tau Beta Sigma is the National Honorary Band Sorority, providing coeducational service for college bands and other band-centered communities since 1946. Not only does this organization serve well for those pursuing music as a career, but it is alsoan outlet for those who still hold music as a passion while pursuing other fields. Members are able to channel their love for music into service in several ways, ranging anywhere from helping our marching band prepare for games to providing our surrounding Fort Worth community with exposure to music and music-based organizations. In doing this, Tau Beta Sigma serves as the foundation for many life-long friendships, as well.

Installed at TCU in 1957, Tau Beta Sigma has provided

Horned Frog Band members with this outstanding opportunity for 62 years and continues to make strides today.

If you have any interest in joining Tau Beta Sigma, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or our Vice President of Membership, Caitlin Cox, at caitlin.cox@tcu.edu.

We will also hold recruitment events in the Fall, so keep your eyes out for those! College can be stressful, so if you ever need to talk –about marching band, school, or life – we are here for you and eager to provide a listening ear. I know that any of us would truly love to hear from you!

We look forward to meeting everyone and embarking upon the upcoming year! I know that it will hold some amazing opportunities to serve and help others.

Have a great summer, and as always, GO FROGS!

Anne Marie Hatton

President, Tau Beta Sigma - Beta Delta <u>a.m.hatton@tcu.edu</u>





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