Welcome to the 2015-2016 Bands & Orchestra!

You are invited to become a member of some of Missouri S&T’s most exciting, fun, and challenging organizations. Whether you are an incoming freshman or a returning member, there is a place for you in one or more of the bands. Although there is not a Music Major program in place at S&T, you can get a Minor in Music. Most students, however, play in S&T ensembles to further their own musicianship, to take a break from classes, and to have fun! We look forward to seeing each and every one of you in Castleman Hall this year.

Freshmen: If you’re worried about the demands on your time, we encourage you to give us a try. Remember, Marching Band is about 5 hours per week and Wind Ensemble is only 90 minutes per week. These few hours a week will pay off as a feeling of pride, a sense of accomplishment, and many friendships are established. Please read on about our exciting offerings...

Class Conflict? — That’s Okay!

If you have a conflict with band rehearsal times because of Chem 1100, Trig Review, Chemistry or Physics Labs, Excel Workshops, or any other S&T class, you can still participate in band. More than half of the students playing in band have some sort of conflict – whether it’s having to come late after lab or having to leave early for an excel workshop. These do not count against your grade. Of course, you can’t be in band if you have to miss too much; the general rule of thumb is that you shouldn’t miss more than one rehearsal (or its equivalent) per week.

Special note to Chem 1100 (section D) participants: If you are taking this section of Chem 1100 during the first three weeks of class, you can still join band when it’s over. You should enroll in Section B of Chem 1100 so you will miss as little of band as possible. See Dave Cress when you arrive on campus to discuss arrangements.

Ensembles at S&T:

Symphony Orchestra (University Orchestra, Music 1132)
Open to all strings, no audition required
Audition required for brass, woodwind, & percussion Mondays, 7:00 – 9:30 p.m.
There is no audition for strings, only placement after rehearsals begin. Wind and brass, please do not enroll until after the audition. Contact Dave Cress to set up an audition time, preferably during Opening Week. This full symphony features members from the S&T and Rolla area communities and plays the great masterworks of the baroque through contemporary eras. The first rehearsal will be held on Monday, August 24th at 7:00 p.m.

Chamber Orchestra (Instrumental Chamber Ensemble- Strings, Music 1134)
Audition required - primarily strings.
Thursdays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Chamber Orchestra is a select group, primarily strings, but occasionally invites wind and percussion players to join for particular pieces. Chamber Orchestra can be seen performing at S&T Orchestra concerts, Grand Openings, and special events throughout the community. Membership is by audition and invitation of the director. Contact Dave Cress to set up an audition time, preferably during Opening Week. The first rehearsal will be held on Thursday, August 27th at 7:00 p.m.
**Wind and Percussion Ensemble (Fall) (Music 1135)**
Open to all students, no audition required.
**Mondays, 4:00 – 5:20 p.m.**
The Fall Wind Ensemble is our concert band for the fall semester. All students who plan on playing in Symphonic Band during the spring semester are encouraged to participate, and marching band members are welcome as well! Chair/part placement auditions will take place the week of August 24th. The first rehearsal will be held on Monday, August 24th at 4:00 p.m.

**Symphonic Band (Spring) (University Band, Music 1130- Section 3A)**
Open to all students, no audition required.
**Tuesday – Thursday, 4:00 – 5:20 p.m.**
The Symphonic Band (our spring semester concert band) performs the finest in wind literature for full band as well as for smaller ensembles. All students planning on playing in this band are encouraged to play in one ensemble in the fall.

**Wind Symphony (University Band, Music 1130- Section 3B)**
Audition required.
**Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 12:00 – 12:45 p.m.**
The Wind Symphony (our year long wind ensemble) performs the finest in challenging wind literature from classical to contemporary composers and transcriptions. This is the only wind group that demands an audition for membership. Auditions consist of being able to play any major scale and a chromatic scale, the full range of your instrument, from memory; two short prepared pieces, one fast and one slow; and sight-reading. Contact Dave Cress to set up an audition time, preferably during Opening Week. All interested players are invited to attend the first rehearsal on Monday, August 24th at 12:00 p.m.

**Jazz Ensemble (Music 1136)**
**Tuesdays, 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.**
The MS&T Jazz Ensemble is open to all MS&T students. The class provides opportunities for students to perform contemporary and traditional big band music. Jazz Ensemble also provides students with the opportunity to perform instrumental solos (jazz improvisation) with the group. Singing with the ensemble is also another option available to S&T students. The band performs one concert each semester in Leach Theatre. **Jazz Combo** is a student-led group that performs traditional and contemporary jazz music. The Jazz Combo performs at various events on and off campus throughout the school year. The Jazz Combo also performs in Leach Theatre each semester as part of the Jazz Ensemble concert. Contact Dave Cress at cressdl@mst.edu if you have questions.

**Individual Music Instruction**
Contact Dave Cress at cressdl@mst.edu if you have questions.

**Pep Band**
**Basketball season (November – March)**
**Open to all students, no audition required**
Rehearsal/performance schedule: TBA
This student-led ensemble plays exciting pop music at all S&T Men’s and Women’s Basketball games, during PRO Days, and at other events as requested. While there is no audition, members must also play in another ensemble at S&T. There is no class credit available for Pep Band.
**Miner Marching Band (Fall) (University Band, Music 1130 – Section 3A)**

Open to all students, no audition (or prior marching experience) required

**Tuesday – Thursday, 4:00 – 5:45 p.m.**

### Extra rehearsals on Friday of football weekends

The Miner Marching Band will perform for all home football games with exciting music planned. Fridays of game weekends will have an open-ended rehearsal beginning at 4:00 p.m. and ending when the show is ready for performance. These rehearsals are often shorter than regular rehearsals, but they can be much longer. Plan your Friday evenings to allow for rehearsals ending late. Each halftime show is designed by an S&T MMB upperclassman. If you think that you won’t have time for marching band or think you have a class or lab conflict, talk to us - we will work with you.

### Marching Band Trumpets, Mellophones, and Trombones

Since range and tone quality will be important throughout the season, it will be to your advantage to arrive in good playing shape this fall, especially if you would like to play first part! Part assignments will be made by the MMB section leaders during band camp.

### Marching Band Percussionists

The Miner Marching Band Drum Line consists of snares (matched grip), quads, tonal bass drums, cymbals, and pit players. All assignments will be made before the conclusion of band camp. Auditions (for part assignments only—not admission to the band) will be necessary only if there are more players for a particular instrument than spots available. Sticks and mallets may be provided for you, but you are encouraged to bring your own if you have them.

### Marching Band Color Guard

The newest addition to the Miner Marching Band is a color guard. They are looking for new members that are interested in spinning a wide variety of equipment such as but not limited to six-foot poles, rifles, and sabers. Members have years of experience to none at all, so anyone interested is welcome to check it out. The guard practices with the band during marching rehearsals and has an occasional separate practice once a week.

### !!! Early Residence Hall Move-In!!!

All marching band members are permitted to move into the residence halls early. You must fill-out and return the early move-in card online at, [http://mst.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_1MRXIkv6yGK80Og](http://mst.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_1MRXIkv6yGK80Og), stating your early move-in plans.

### What to bring to Marching Band

Marching Band is physically demanding, so please bring clothing appropriate to the weather, especially a good pair of practice shoes. As you prepare for camp, remember the following:

1) BRING WATER - the humidity is almost dense enough to drink, but not quite.
2) Closed-toed shoes are required.
3) White reflects, black absorbs.
4) Sunscreen is your friend.
5) You’re never fully dressed without a smile!

We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones! See you soon!

### Chem 1100, Trig Review and YOU

Chem 1100 (section E) and Trig Review participants should plan on attending as much of marching band camp as possible. The schedule has been arranged to minimize conflicts and give you ample time to eat, buy your books, socialize, etc. The procedure for late-arrival and early-departure will be explained at the first meeting on Sunday, August 16th at 7:00 p.m. If you have to take Chem 1100 during the fall semester and are unable take it during Opening Week, enroll in section B, which will have little to no conflict with marching band.
Marching Band Student Leadership

Drum Majors
Head Drum Major: Abby Dare
Assistant Drum Majors: Emily Eisenbacher and Brice Bridges

Section Leaders
Upper Woodwinds: Katy Satterfield (kmsh3b@mst.edu)
Saxophones: Carol Pint (cp5q2@mst.edu)
Trumpets & Mellophones: Thomas Persinger (tdpp73@mst.edu)
Trombones/Low Brass: Elyse Carter (encfg4@mst.edu)
Battery Percussion: Tommy Roustio (tprkx8@mst.edu)
Color Guard: Nick Bobbitt (nrbf34@mst.edu)

Other section leaders may be added if a section is large enough.

Marching Band Schedule Pre-Season
Camp (Band Camp)

Attendance is expected at all camp rehearsals. Please adjust your schedules accordingly. If you are involved in Trig Review or Chem 1100, you will still be able to participate in most, if not all, of band camp activities. There may also be some other orientation conflicts. All indoor activities are held in 137 Castleman Hall. All outdoor practices are held at the Multi-Purpose Building parking lot (directions will be given). All new and returning MMB members are required to attend camp. Contact the drum majors and Dave Cress if you are unable to attend camp or have conflicts.

Sunday, August 16th
1pm-3pm Pep band rehearsal (returning members)
3pm-7pm Instrument and Locker checkout at Castleman
5:30pm-6:30pm Section Leader Meeting
7pm First meeting for all students interested in instrumental music

Monday, August 17th
8am-finished Pep band performance at the multi-purpose building for freshman convocation
9:30am-11:30am Returning member rehearsal
11:30am-12:30pm Section leader refresher
3:30pm-5:30pm Music rehearsal (band room)
6:30pm-8:30pm Marching rehearsal (practice field)

Tuesday, August 18th
10am-11:30am Returning member rehearsal
3:30pm-5:30pm Music rehearsal (band room)
6:30pm-8:30pm Marching rehearsal (practice field)
Wednesday, August 19th
10am-11:30am Returning member rehearsal
3:30pm-5:30pm Music rehearsal (band room)
6:30pm-8:30pm Marching rehearsal (practice field)

Thursday, August 20th
10am-11:30am Returning member rehearsal
3:30pm-5:30pm Music rehearsal (band room)
6:30pm-8:30pm Marching rehearsal (practice field)
8:30pm-9:30pm Pep band rehearsal for Project X

Friday, August 21st
10am-11:30am Returning member rehearsal
3:30pm-5:30pm Music rehearsal (band room)
6:30pm-8pm Marching rehearsal (practice field)
8:15pm-finished Band performance in the Havener Center for the Project X awards

Marching Band Performances
September 3rd Football Game against Chadron State College
September 26th Parade of Nations
September 26th Football Game against Saint Joseph's College
October 10th Football Game against College of Faith
October 24th Football Game against McKendree University
October 31st Football Game against Southwest Baptist University
November 14th Football Game against Quincy University
December 5th Rolla Christmas Parade
March 12th St. Pat's Parade
Times are all TBA

All Marching Band performances are REQUIRED. If you need to miss one or more of the performances, inform Dave Cress, and all Drum Majors at the beginning of the season or as soon as you are informed. Other parades may be added to the schedule as we are invited.

Student-Led Ensembles
The Music Department at S&T offers and encourages many student-directed ensembles. Each of these ensembles offers fun musical venues of differing degrees of difficulty. Many returning students and the department faculty can answer or direct your questions about these ensembles. You will most likely hear or read announcements about membership opportunities in these groups. Some of the student-led ensembles found at S&T have been:

- Pep Band (Basketball Band)
- Tuba Christmas
- String Quartet
- Brass Choir
• Brass Quintet
• Woodwind Choir
• Percussion Ensemble
• Highland Pipe Band
• Trumpet Choir
• Winter Drumline

Information for All Musicians:

School Instruments
New members: If you need to use a school instrument, please complete the top of the Instrument Usage Contract, fill out the instrument line, and come to the scheduled check-out time. Instruments will be assigned in order of quality from best to worst on a first-come, first-serve basis.
Returning members: Last year’s instrument will be reserved for you, provided you returned the instrument before the end of the semester. If you have a school instrument now, you must bring it to the check-out time to have it reassigned to you.

Instrument Lockers
Lockers for the storage of personal or school instruments, music, etc. are available. They are assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis as well. Come early for the best selection!

Mutes, Reeds and Miscellaneous
All woodwind players should stock-up on new reeds. Do not take this lightly! Bring good quality medium or hard reeds. All brass players should have a supply of valve/slide oil or an equivalent. All Wind Ensemble and Jazz Ensemble brass players should bring all of the mutes that they own. Some mutes may be provided if you do not have your own.

Concert Dress
Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra dress is black formal (tuxedo). Ladies will need a solid black outfit with black shoes. Skirts or dresses must have a hemline that hangs below the knee while sitting down. Men will be issued tuxedo parts they do not already have and should provide their own black shoes and socks. Men may also wear their own black (not blue!) suit. We recommend you supply your own long-sleeved, white dress shirt to wear with your tux.

Band & Orchestra Staff
Each ensemble offers some paid and volunteer staff positions with responsibilities that include assisting the band manager and band librarian in set-ups, passing out music, etc. The staff member must be a member of the ensemble for which they work. The stipends vary depending on department funding each semester. To apply, check the appropriate box(es) on the return form. In addition there are two, up to 20 hours per week, work-study positions if you qualify. Please contact Dave Cress for more information.

Stuff You Need To Bring
All Marching Band wind players must use a lyre. This is not optional. If you are going to use a school instrument, we will provide a lyre for you; if you are using your own instrument, you must have your own lyre!

All marching band members must have: black marching shoes that you can polish, black socks, and clean white gloves. If you do not have any of these items, a sign-up sheet with prices of each, except
the black socks, will be made during band camp week. All items ordered will be delivered before the first home football game. For rehearsals, a water bottle will be required. A hat, sunglasses and sunscreen are highly recommended.

To Enroll or not?
Enrollment is not required for participation in any ensemble. If you don't need the credit or don't want to pay for it, that is fine. You still have the same responsibilities as those who register, but you will not receive a grade or credit. Don't let financial considerations keep you from playing!

Private Lessons
Lessons are given on a limited basis and are available for credit, at your own expense. Contact Dave Cress for more information.

Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma
The S&T Band program provides a number of opportunities to relax and have fun. To enhance your experience in the band program, chapters of two organizations exist on campus: Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma, National Honorary Band Service Fraternity and Sorority, respectively. The primary responsibility of Kappa Kappa Psi and Tau Beta Sigma is to serve the bands. They do this by hosting a banquet once a semester for all band members, hosting receptions after all band and orchestra concerts, providing water and snacks for the marching band at home football games, and many other projects. They sponsor many band social events, which are open to all jazz, marching, concert band, and orchestra members.

Concert Dates

October 4th – Orchestra Concert (2:00 p.m.)
November 13th – Jazz Band Concert (7:00 p.m.)
November 15th – Band Concert (2:00 p.m.)
November 19th – Choir Concert (7:30 p.m.)
December 6th – Orchestra Concert (2:00 p.m.)
February 21st – Band Concert with 399th Army Band (2:00 p.m.)
March 3rd – S&T Performing Arts Concert (7:30 p.m.)
March 13th – Orchestra Concert (2:00 p.m.)
April 15th – Jazz Band Concert (7:00 p.m.)
April 24th – Band Concert (2:00 p.m.)
May 8th – Orchestra Concert (2:00 p.m.)

Missouri S&T Arts, Languages, and Philosophy department also has very active choral and theater programs. Be sure to check out alp.mst.edu for more information about the other programs and the contact information of the directors.

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