

California State University, Los Angeles
Department of Music

Entrance and Audition Requirements for Voice Applicants

Undergraduate Degree Candidates

Bachelor of Arts

1. Acceptance to CSULA
2. High school diploma with average GPA of 2.5 or higher
3. Audition requirements (**for placement into private voice studios and/or voice classes**):
 - A) Two contrasting songs
 - B) Sight-reading
 - 4) Resume
 - 5) Essay including musical experience and aspirations
 - 6) Two letters of recommendation

Bachelor of Music: Choral Teaching Option

1. Acceptance to CSULA
2. High school diploma with average GPA of 2.5 or higher
3. Acceptance to department of music
 - Department of music application
 - Audition:
 - Two contrasting art songs
 - Sight reading
 - Résumé
 - Essay including musical experience and aspirations
 - Two letters of recommendation

Bachelor of Music: Vocal Performance Option.

(for students wishing to pursue graduate school in vocal performance)

1. Acceptance to CSULA
2. High school diploma with average GPA of 3.0 or higher
3. Acceptance to the department of music
 - Department of music application
 - Résumé
 - Essay including musical experience and aspirations
 - Two letters of recommendation
 - Audition:
 - One aria in the original language
 - Two contrasting art songs
 - Sight reading

Graduate Degree Candidates

Master of Arts: General Option

(for students wishing to master an area of music)

1. Acceptance to CSULA
2. BA in music from an accredited institution w/ min. GPA of 2.5
(or equivalent, see graduate handbook)
3. Acceptance to the department of music
 - Department of music application
 - Audition:
 - Two contrasting art songs
 - Sight reading
 - Résumé

- Essay including musical experience and aspirations
- Two letters of recommendation

Master of Arts: General Option (with a vocal pedagogy emphasis)
 (for students aspiring to teach or research voice)

1. Acceptance to CSULA
2. BA in music from an accredited institution w/ min. GPA of 3.0
 (or equivalent, see graduate handbook)
3. Acceptance to the department of music
 - Department of music application
 - Audition:
 - Four contrasting pieces that present:
 - Four language
 - Four style periods
 - Sight reading
 - Résumé
 - Two letters of recommendation
 - Example of research writing

Master of Music: Vocal Performance

(for students wishing to sing opera/oratorio professionally)

1. Acceptance to CSULA
2. BM in music from an accredited institution with an average GPA of 3.0 or higher
 (or equivalent, see graduate handbook)
3. Acceptance to the department of music
 - Department of music application
 - Audition:
 - Five contrasting pieces that present:
 - Four languages
 - Four style periods
 - One opera aria
 - One oratorio aria
 - Sight reading
 - Résumé
 - Essay including musical experience and aspirations
 - Three letters of recommendation

To schedule an audition, please email: music@calstatela.edu or telephone: 323-343-4060. Please indicate that you wish to schedule a voice audition and provide your voice type (soprano, alto, tenor, baritone, bass), your name and complete contact information in the email.