

Utah State University's Mission Statement:

The mission of Utah State University is to be one of the nation's premier student-centered *land-grant* and space-grant universities by fostering the principle that academics come first, by cultivating diversity of thought and culture, and by serving the public through learning, discovery, and engagement.

Utah State University's 10 Goals

1. Enhance the reputation of the University for learning, discovery, and engagement.
2. Expand and diversify the revenues of the University.
3. Adopt new business models that embrace accountability, responsiveness, and efficiency, and a budget process that is responsive to University goals.
4. Strengthen the recruitment, retention, graduation, and placement of students and, as part of that goal, reduce the student-faculty ratio.
5. Raise the base level of compensation for faculty and staff to be more competitive with peer institutions, and reward especially outstanding faculty and staff achievements.
6. Build a socially and intellectually vibrant campus community, enhanced by the diversity of its faculty, staff, and students.
7. Infuse new energy into graduate programs, particularly at the doctoral level.
8. Foster new partnerships, both internally and externally.
9. Communicate the success of the University to the world.
10. Launch and complete a successful comprehensive campaign in support of the other nine goals generally and establish the central proposition that, at Utah State, academics come first.

The Music Department resides in the Caine College of the Arts...the newest college at the university.

Caine College of the Arts Mission Statement:

The Caine College of the Arts serves the people of the State of Utah and supports the mission of Utah State University by cultivating artistic and academic excellence, by preparing our students to realize their full creative potential as artists and citizens, by increasing the visibility of the college and university, and by fostering professionalism and collegial relationships in all aspects of our operations.

As a community of artists and scholars, we will:

1. Identify, attract, and retain exceptional students as majors and strive to keep financial considerations from limiting their success.
2. Create, explore, and develop opportunities to expand the funding base of the college.
3. Nurture an artistic and intellectual environment that embraces diversity and is welcoming to all.
4. Attract and retain an outstanding faculty of artists and scholars through competitive compensation, enhanced support for professional endeavors, and recognition for excellence.
5. Provide high quality arts experiences for all USU students.
6. Serve, enrich, and engage the community by presenting highly visible arts programming.
7. Engage in dynamic partnerships to secure the future of arts education.
8. Enhance the visibility of students and faculty through media exposure, performance tours, and traveling exhibitions.
9. Adopt innovative financial models and practice responsible stewardship of resources.
10. Foster a culture of inclusive decision-making, transparency, and productive relationships across departmental and university boundaries.

Music Department Mission Statement

In the context of a comprehensive land grant University, the mission of the Department of Music is to develop and maintain nationally recognized programs in Music Education, Music Performance, and Music Therapy. This is done in order to enrich the cultural and educational life of the regional community to: serve the physical and mental health needs of disabled citizens, transmit the musical tradition of western and other cultures to future generations, and contribute to the growth and vitality of those traditions through creative artistic activities and research.

This mission is accomplished in relation to the following general activities:

- a. To prepare students for successful careers through professional training in music education, performance/pedagogy, and music therapy.
- b. To contribute to the liberal education of the undergraduate student body providing courses of the Liberal Arts Program of the Caine College of the Arts and the General Education Program of the University.

- c. To promote involvement in quality music-making by providing courses and programs of interest to the general university student and the pre-university student who elects to increase his/her understanding of music and skills in individual or group performance.
- d. To assist in maintaining responsive and cordial relationships with the public and to contribute to the cultural life of the University and the community by providing concerts, recitals, festivals, other musical performances, joint musical ventures and other services.
- e. To contribute to the development, restoration and quality of life of disabled individuals of all ages in Utah, the nation, and the world through the education and training of professional music therapist and the work of music therapy faculty;
- f. To add to the knowledge, experience and maturity of the profession and the respect extended to it, through the endeavors of the faculty.