

Southwestern Oklahoma State University's Department of Music is one of Oklahoma's largest music schools. The excellent quality of training offered at SWOSU is proven by the hundreds of graduates now working in Oklahoma and throughout the United States. With nearly 130 students pursuing degree programs in music, Southwestern offers this region's best combination of quality and variety, at the region's most moderate cost.

All degree programs are fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music



Facilities

The Department of Music is housed in three buildings at the Weatherford campus. The Berrong Music Hall contains a 200-seat recital hall, an electronic keyboard classroom, a listening library, practice rooms, faculty offices and a music computer lab. The Fine Arts building houses the Department of Music Office, a beautiful 1375-seat auditorium, faculty offices, practice rooms and excellent rehearsal facilities. Oklahoma Hall houses several faculty offices and teaching studios.

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DR. PHILIP MARTINSON



Dr. Philip Martinson joined the faculty at Southwestern Oklahoma State University as Assistant Professor of Music in 2017. A tenured member of the Oklahoma City Philharmonic (Second Trombone), Martinson also performs as Principal Trombone of the Lawton Philharmonic Orchestra, and is active as a soloist, chamber, and orchestral musician throughout the United States. Recent engagements include performances at the OK Mozart International Music Festival, American Trombone Workshop, International Trombone Festival (Iowa City, Iowa), Skidmore College, Oklahoma Baptist University, University of Akron and Malone University.

Prior to joining the OKC Philharmonic, Martinson held the position of second trombone with the Ocala Symphony Orchestra (FL) for three seasons. Additionally, he was Co-Principal Trombone of the Taneycomo Festival Orchestra in Branson, Missouri, and has performed with professional ensembles in Ohio, Indiana, and Florida including the Canton Symphony

Orchestra, the Columbus Indiana Philharmonic, and the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra (FL).

Recognition in the International Trombone Association Robert Marsteller, Gilberto Gagliardi/Weril and Larry Wiehe competitions, as well as competing as a finalist in the 2016 American Trombone Workshop National Solo Competition, further speak to his proficiency as a trombonist. He holds degrees from Indiana University, the University of Oklahoma, and the University of Akron. His primary teachers include Dr. Irvin Wagner, Peter Ellefson, Stephen Fissel, Ed Zadrozny, and Dr. Jim Robertson. He is a native of Huntley, MT.

TROMBONE STUDIO



The **Trombone Studio** at SWOSU is very friendly and active. In addition to private lessons, trombone students meet once a week for a studio class where a variety of topics are discussed. Studio class also gives players the opportunity to perform for each other, and play in smaller chamber ensembles, and Trombone Choir. The Trombone Choir performs at several events each semester, and has performed at festivals such as the Oklahoma Trombone Workshop.

INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLES

The **Wind Ensemble** is comprised of the university's finest wind and percussion students selected by audition during the fall semester. Music from all eras is performed, with emphasis on music originally composed for winds.

The **Symphonic Band** is a non-auditioned band which meets during the Spring semester. Selections performed by this group include traditional band music as well as transcriptions.

The **University Orchestra** provides students an opportunity to perform the classics of the symphonic repertoire in a full orchestra setting.

Community Band is a non-auditioned band that provides an opportunity for students and members of the Weatherford community to rehearse and perform band literature.

Jazz Ensemble A is the top big band at Southwestern. Membership is by audition each semester. Jazz "A" performs at many campus and community events, including the annual Miss SWOSU pageant and Jazz Festival.

Jazz Ensemble B is a big band for those students who wish to learn more about jazz and big-band playing.

Marching Bulldogs, a.k.a. "**The Pride of the Great Southwest**," is the marching band of SWOSU. Their spirited performances of corps-style drill and music entertain football audiences at Southwestern each fall.

Wild Dawgs is the name of the basketball pep band at Southwestern. The "Dawgs" perform at men's and women's home basketball games to give SWOSU the "unfair advantage" at their gym.

Brass Ensemble rehearses and performs the finest in music composed and arranged for brass choir.