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# *Music Careers*

Reference Department - Albert S. Cook Library &  
Music Department – Towson University

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## Careers in Education, Libraries, or Healthcare

School music teacher (need undergraduate music education degree for public but not all private schools, additional 30 credits EHRQEDFKORU†GHJUHHUHT&UHGIRU permanent certification)  
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### Careers in Music Performance and Composition

Instrumental performer (solo or ensemble)  
Music composer  
Arranger

Conductor  
Singer (solo or ensemble)  
Dancer

**For more information visit:**

American Federation of Musicians - [www.afm.org](http://www.afm.org)

American Federation of Television and Radio Artists - <http://www.sagaftra.org/>

American Guild of Musical Artists (AGMA) - [www.musicalartists.org](http://www.musicalartists.org)

Actors Equity Association - [www.actorsequity.org](http://www.actorsequity.org)

### Careers in Music/Entertainment Law

Copyright researcher  
Paralegal

Lawyer ± labor, entertainment,  
intellectual property

**For more information visit:**

American Bar Association Forum

## Careers in the Music Industry: Managerial/Marketing

Advance person for artists

Sound editor

Talent agent

Arts administrator

Audience research

Business manager for artists

Company manager for tours (recommend stage management training from theatre arts program)

Entertainment director (hotels, cruise ships, caterers)

Market researcher

Orchestra management

Road manager

Manager/booking agent/publicist

Recording producer

Publicist

Concert promoter

### Careers in Music in Electronic Media: Radio and Television

Account executive  
Consumer researcher  
Disc jockey

Video jockey  
Traffic manager

**Note:** a double major or minor in Electronic Media and Film should be considered for these careers

**For more information visit:**

Radio Television Digital News Association - <http://www.rtdna.org/>

Occupational Outlook Handbook - <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/media-and-communication/home.htm>



### Careers in Music Science/Technology

Computer music programmer  
Digital audio editor  
Digital re-mastering engineer  
Equipment designer  
Maintenance technician  
Mixer

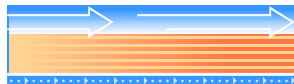
Instrument designer/ repairperson/  
manufacturer  
Multimedia developer  
Piano tuner/technician  
Studio designer  
Acoustician

**For more information visit:**

Piano Technicians Guild: <http://www.ptg.org>

Audio Engineering Society: <http://www.aes.org/>

Society of Professional Audio Recording Services: <http://spars.com/>



### Careers in Music Composition

Songwriter  
Lyricist  
Composer - general  
Composer - musical theatre

Composer - education materials  
Composer - children's music  
Video composer  
Advertising jingle writer

**Note:** BS in Music with completion of minor in cognate recommended -- perhaps English, Business Administration, or Electronic Media and Film

**For more information visit:**

6R0ZLWHU7KOGRI8HULFD [www.songwritersguild.com](http://www.songwritersguild.com)

ASCAP: [www.ascap.com](http://www.ascap.com)

BMI: [www.bmi.com](http://www.bmi.com)

### Careers in Music Related Art/Graphic Design

Commercial artist  
Graphic artist  
Scenic designer

Music calligrapher  
Music engraver  
Web site designer

**For more information visit:**

American Institute of Graphic Design - <http://www.aiga.org/guide-careerguide>

Animation World Network: <http://www.awn.com/>

### Careers in Worship/Religious Music

Organist  
Cantor

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Worship band director  
Worship choir director

**For more information visit:**

American Guild of Organists: <http://www.agohq.org/home.html>

American Choral Directors Association: <http://acda.org/>

National Association of Church Musicians: <http://www.nacmhq.org/index.htm>