

Music students learn to analyse, perform and compose music and find out about the social context in which it was written. The creative, teamwork and analytical skills you will learn will stand you in good stead across numerous careers.

Immersive Experience Composer

You will compose the soundtrack for immersive experiences which could include augmented or virtual reality (AR and VR). The UK is Europe's largest market for AR and VR, with VR set to be the fastest-growing entertainment industry to 2021. Almost a quarter of UK immersive tech companies say they are growing — meaning they will need new staff in the coming years. Your technical and composition skills will enable you to create the perfect mood for an immersive experience.

Innovation Professional

You will come up with new ideas to help businesses solve problems using new technologies and by changing established processes. Half of executives believe that new innovations could disrupt their industries, so identifying novel ways of working will be a vital skill. Jobs for management consultants and business analysts are expected to grow by 7.2% by 2027, including innovation professionals. Being able to think creatively to imagine new solutions in different scenarios is an essential skill in this job.

Video Games Composer

As the universes and plot lines of video games become richer and more vivid, their soundtracks are increasingly taking on the character of film scores and the great orchestral works of the past. Composers use their technical ability, to craft memorable and well-matched musical scores to complement the world's evoked in video games.



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MUSIC

5 work skills that Music will give you:



Composition

You will learn how to create a composition by developing, extending and manipulating musical ideas. You will develop your own compositions to a set brief, and also from scratch without any guidance. You will create your composition either on a musical instrument or with computer software.



Critical Thinking

The study of Music involves the application of your in-depth knowledge of musical elements, musical contexts and musical language to offer a critical appraisal of compositions, genres and styles. You will learn to identify what makes a piece of music distinctive, what tradition it fits into and how it was composed.



Technical Skills

You will perform and compose music on instruments, using the voice or with musical software. This will require you to read musical notation and apply technical control (such as pitch, rhythm, tone and synchronisation) and expressive control (such as tempo, dynamics and phrasing).



Team work

Musicians often play together in ensembles. You will learn to play alongside other musicians, requiring sympathy and responsiveness. You will learn to take and deliver feedback from other musicians within an ensemble setting in order to improve the collective performance.



Creativity & Imagination

Whether you are creating your own composition or performing somebody else's music requires you to apply your imagination to develop new ideas, work with existing compositions, or perform compositions in a different style.

Where can Music take you?

Music Production:

- Music Director
- Music Producer/Engineer
- Production Manager
- Recording Industry Producer
- Sound Engineer
- Sound Technician
- Studio Manager

Other:

- Music Teacher
- Music Therapist
- Musical Instrument Repairer
- Rigger
- Sales Staff
- Singing Coach
- Video Games Composer

Music & Business:

- Agent
- Event Manager
- Marketing Executive
- Music Manager
- Music Programmer
- Producer (live events)
- Promoter
- Record Label Manager
- Talent Scout
- Tour Manager

Musicians & Singers:

- Band Member
- Classical Musician
- Community Musician
- Composer
- Conductor
- Lyricist
- Performer
- Soloist
- Song Writer

Future of Job Facts:



Art & Design

This industry has one of the highest rates of self-employment in the UK, with **28%** of the workforce (composers and artists) working as freelancers



Public Arts

Research suggests that public arts have a positive impact on community engagement: the chances that performing arts attendees will volunteer are **3.8** times greater than for non-attendees, regardless of their background.



Advertising & Marketing

Almost **200,000** people work in Advertising & Marketing in the UK. Jobs increased by a third between 2011 and 2016. This is only expected to grow again in the years to come.



Publishing & Media

Recently, employment in this area has increased by **10%**. In fact, 1/10 jobs held by graduates in the UK are in Publishing or Media.



Creative Industries

New government figures show the country's successful creative industries contributed **£111.7 billion** to the UK in 2018, equivalent to £306 million every day and over 400,000 jobs.



Performing Arts

The performing arts industry also plays an important role in attracting tourists to the UK: for example, **9.2%** of tourists visiting the UK went to the theatre, a musical, the opera or a ballet.