

DEPARTMENT OF *Music*



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Why Bethany? Because we're passionate about music!

QUALITY

Our program is nationally recognized for quality and has been accredited since 1935 by the [National Association of Schools of Music](#). Our program exceeds NASM accreditation benchmark quality, which benefits *all* students, especially if you aspire to pursue graduate studies in the music field.

BREADTH

Bethany prepares you to explore the many different paths your future might bring. We grant degrees in Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music (Performance), and Bachelor of Music Education, and minors in Music and Sacred Music.

PERSONALIZED ATTENTION

Bethany has talented, caring, and experienced faculty who earned doctorate degrees from some of the finest institutions in the world! As a student, you benefit from the superior personalized instruction one-on-one and in small classes. No classes are taught by graduate students; all are taught by our exceptional faculty.

SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY

We encourage you to use *all* your skills. Both music majors and non-majors may participate in instrumental and choral ensembles concurrently.

SUCCESS

Our students get jobs! We are proud that 100% of our graduates were employed following college or accepted for graduate study, and 85% of our teachers stay in the schools after 5 years of teaching. This is higher than most Kansas universities.

OPPORTUNITY

Bethany offers a host of opportunities, ranging from performing solos with a full orchestra, with faculty, in master classes with guest performers, and in front of a podium to develop your conducting skills! At Bethany, you won't compete for stage time with graduate students.

TRADITION

Bethany hosts the Messiah Festival of the Arts, and the longest running performance of Handel's *Messiah* in North America. Join the rich tradition of at Bethany where almost 25% of the college participates in music!

What are graduates saying about Bethany?

I decided to come to Bethany because of my own High School Band director who taught me to love music and inspired me to come to Bethany. Once I visited Bethany I knew it was the place I belonged. I really liked the one-on-one education. The music department was like a family. They worked together and would do anything it took to succeed. I knew that no matter the challenge, we would accomplish it. I feel like I had a lot of opportunities to network with soon-to-be colleagues and hands-on experience in the field that I would have never gotten in a larger college. I was prepared because I got to have those "real life" experiences before they were actually mine because of all the guided work by professionals.

- Sarah Reif Bricker (BME, Clarinet, '05)

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2011 Kansas Bandmasters Association's Outstanding Young Bandmaster

When I moved to Lindsborg in High School I already started taking lessons at the college and was instantly connected with the campus and faculty. This was a big factor for me because I already knew most of the professors and wanted to continue the strong connection I had with those teachers and I wanted to continue my education with them.

What did you like most about the program?

I really like the one on one attention we would get for being at a small school. It really helped us to be that close to the professors and build a strong relationship with them not only

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on a professional level but on a more personal level.

How did Bethany prepare you for your current position?

I feel that Bethany prepared me extremely well for my job.

My favorite memories are just the late night practices and homework with friends in the labs and in the practice rooms and how it just felt like a family hanging out and having fun.

- Sean Boller '10 (BME, BM, Vocal Performance, Sacred Music)



Why did you decide to come to Bethany? I received a massive amount of scholarship money, and financially it just made sense. Also, I wanted to play basketball and I got that opportunity.

What did you like most about the program? The professors and the small class sizes. The professors were extremely talented and knowledgeable in their specific areas.

How did Bethany prepare you for your current position? I feel like I am successful because of all Bethany did for me. I still e-mail my professors and ask them questions.

Any other information you would like to share? My most favorite memory would have to be the choir tour we took at the end of my senior year. It was absolutely amazing being able to tour Germany and Sweden with such a talented group of singers. Trip of a lifetime!

- Sara Hocking (BME, Voice '08)

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