



North Highland College University of the Highlands and Islands

Music Performance – Higher

Overview of course

Students will learn with full time NC music students. Learning can be tailored around their individual school timetable and musical interest.

Entry requirements/criteria

- Passes at national 4 or 5 level or higher depending on level of entry
- Satisfactory reference and interview
- Demonstration of a keen interest in music

Additional attributes North Highland College UHI would look for

Some playing ability will be required for students undertaking this course.

Students will be expected to -

- Be prepared to work hard all session
- Catch up on work missed if they are absent
- Ask for help if they need it
- Revise throughout the session
- Access and use the virtual learning environment

Therefore, the following attributes and skills are important for applicants –

- Motivation for learning
- Commitment to take personal responsibility for learning
- Confidence to ask questions
- Dedication to completing work out with class
- Basic IT skills
- Independent study skills

What can students do after this course?

On completion students can progress up to NC or HNC Music Performance with the North Highland College UHI Alness campus.

Additional information on this course for Guidance Teachers

Music performance is an excellent choice for any student who wants to develop their playing skills and musicianship, learn more about the industry and the jobs available. People looking for work in music have to know about and be active in many aspects of the industry to make a living. The course breadth will prepare students for the world of work and further study in any of the creative subjects. The depth of understanding and application required to pass the course will place students at a significant advantage when pursuing further study or work in any subject area.

The course involves a lot of practical work where students will develop the skills they need in real life situations and will suit students who enjoy trying out a variety of techniques.

Although classes are once a week, students will need to commit to regular private study in between classes to consolidate their learning. Since learners will be expected to take greater responsibility for their own learning and the development of their study skills, this course offers excellent preparation for any student considering progression to college or university study in any subject.

This course will be particularly suited to students who enjoy being creative and using a variety of modern technology to create.

Guidance teachers can help students think through these implications and assess their commitment and study skills to determine the level of course that would be most suitable to them.