

Admission – vocal or instrumental studies in Jazz & Popular Music

Our philosophy for starting a professional music education

Dear applicant!

We are pleased about your interest in studying voice or instrumental studies at the Friedrich Gulda School of Music Wien and your application for the entrance examination.

During the entrance examination you will be able to present your musical talent and qualifications in various musical genres. We would like to get to know you as a person as comprehensively as possible at this audition. We are interested in identifying your individual and stylistic strengths that will enable you to pursue a professional career as a musician or music teacher.

Present us with pieces of music and musical styles that express your enthusiasm for music. We welcome diversity and variety and are open to inspiration from music of different cultures and genres.

In a personal conversation we would like to learn more about your motivation to pursue a professional career in music. Tell us about your musical and other relevant activities to date and your future goals. In this context, you are welcome to send us a letter of motivation and a curriculum vitae as part of your application.

Your musical and personal presentation will be followed by a written aptitude test on the basics of music theory. This test serves as a guide for us to classify you accordingly in central theoretical subjects such as aural training and general music theory.



Steps of the admission procedure

Instead of a personal audition on-site please transmit unedited video or live recordings with your musical presentation instead of personal audition.

Step 1

Your registration for the entrance examination is done electronically at <https://gulda-school-of-music.com/en/apply>. In addition to the required master data, please upload the following documents via the registration portal:

- Copy of a passport or identity card: absolutely necessary
- Copy of the confirmation of payment of the admission fee: absolutely necessary
- meaningful material about your previous musical work (audio/video material, scores, etc.): optional
- CV and letter of motivation: optional

Step 2 – Registration fee

Transfer the fee for the entrance examination of € 50 to the following account:

JAM MUSIC LAB GmbH, IBAN: AT19 1500 0002 0129 8049, BIC: OBKLAT2LXXX

After successful transfer of the fee, you will receive an appointment for the online admission test.

Step 3 – The online entrance examination

The entrance examination is in 2 parts:

- I. Musical presentation (through transmitted video material)
- II. personal conversation (video conference)

The music theory placement test is taken at the beginning of the course.

The musical presentation includes:

At least two pieces of presentation of free choice in terms of image and sound recording. No professional image quality required (e.g. mobile phone recording is sufficient). The material



must be recorded without interruptions and transmitted uncut or unedited. recordings of live concerts are desired, if available.

We kindly ask you to send the links to your videos via e-mail to office@gulda-school-of-music.com. We recommend uploading your material on private YouTube Channels or similar platforms. Sending via data transfer services like Wetransfer will not be accepted.

As a student applying for the major subject Composition/Theory/ Arrangement, you submit electronically: meaningful materials from your previous musical work (audio/video material, scores, etc.).

The personal conversation via video conference:

In a personal conversation we would like to learn more about your motivations to pursue a professional career as a musician, music teacher or music producer. Depending on the field of study you are interested in, we ask you to focus your information on the respective field of study. We also look forward to getting to know you as a person as comprehensively as possible. Please tell us about your musical activities and qualifications to date, but also about those that go beyond that. We will inform you separately about the tool used for the video conference.

The aptitude test music theory / aural training will be made up for if you are planning to start your studies in Vienna.

For further information please contact office@gulda-school-of-music.com.