



Pittsburg State University

# Pride of the Plains

# Bands

## Scholarships & Financial Awards

Members of the "Pride of the Plains" Marching Band receive Band Awards for their participation. The amount for 1st and 2nd year members is \$400, 3rd and 4th year members receive \$500. Drum-line and Color Guard members have one extra rehearsal per week and earn \$500. Those students who audition and are selected for the Basketball Pep Band receive an additional \$25 per game. Qualified students may apply for and audition for additional scholarship assistance through the Department of Music.

## Credit

One hour of credit is offered for each ensemble a student is enrolled in with the exception of the Basketball Pep Band.

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Pittsburg State University  
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC



here's a  
*musical place*  
for you!



The Pittsburg State University Band Department offers a wide variety of ensembles to all students who have had previous band experience.

Students from all departments within the university participate in one or more of the following band activities:



- Marching Band
- Symphonic Band
- Wind Ensemble
- Jazz Band
- Pep Band





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## “The Tradition Carries On...”

### Marching Band

The *Pride of the Plains Marching Band* performs at all home football games, participates in pep rallies, and leads the annual PSU Homecoming Parade. The band is a contemporary style organization stressing a total audio-visual concept and is supplemented by a Color Guard unit and a Feature Twirler. The Marching Band is a source of great pride in the region, and its performances are praised by students and fans alike. Enrollment is open without audition. Each season begins with a band camp the week before the fall semester begins, and weekly rehearsals are

held Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3:15-4:45 p.m. Each marching band member will receive a band award for their participation.

### Wind Ensemble

The *Wind Ensemble* is a select group of the finest wind and percussion players in the Pittsburg State University Band Department. This is an auditioned ensemble which focuses on developing the artistic, technical, and collaborative skills of members at the highest level. The repertoire selected represents the finest contemporary compositions and standard works for wind band, in addition to commissioning and premiering new works by a variety of composers. The Wind Ensemble is offered in both semesters, and rehearses from 3:15-4:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the fall, and on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays in the spring.

### Symphonic Band

The *Symphonic Band* provides a performance opportunity for students from across the university in a concert band setting. It is offered in the spring semester and enrollment is open without audition. Auditions may be held within the sections for chair placement. Concerts feature a variety of music from marches and Broadway medleys to some of the finest serious music composed for this medium. This ensemble will typically give two concerts during the semester.

### Basketball Pep Band

The *Basketball Pep Band* performs at most home basketball games and post-season tournaments. Members must participate in marching band in the fall and a concert band in the spring. Any student enrolled in the marching band may participate. Members will be selected by audition. This organization plays an important role in inspiring enthusiasm and school spirit through its performance of pep songs, popular hits and cheers.

### Jazz Ensembles

Keeping current with the literature of the professional big bands of today and the standards of the past, the *Jazz Ensembles* perform innovative music in numerous jazz, studio, and jazz-rock styles. Membership is open to all PSU students regardless of major.

### Jazz Combo

The *PSU Jazz Combo* gives the student an opportunity to play jazz in a small group format. Members of the combos learn to develop and cultivate improvisational skills while being coached by PSU faculty.



### Opportunities For You

The Pitt State Band wants you to join us in making your university years active and interesting. Here are a few opportunities available for you:

- An opportunity for you to meet new friends and to acquaint yourself with others who have a variety of interests and a common goal.
- An opportunity for you to become a part of a great Pittsburg State University tradition.
- An opportunity for you to gain an instant feeling of belonging, combined with a knowledge that you are an active part of a great university.
- An opportunity for you to be a vital part of the excitement and traditional rivalries associated with men's and women's athletics in the NCAA.
- An opportunity for you to experience the rewards and sense of pride that goes along with accomplishment.

### To Enroll

If you are interested in joining a widely-recognized band program, call the Music Office at 620-235-4466 for enrollment information. We can also be reached online, [pittstate.edu/music](http://pittstate.edu/music). We will then send you further information and important announcements and schedules. A pre-season band camp is held a few days before the start of school, so it is important that your name be on our roster at the earliest possible time. When registering for classes, be certain your faculty advisor includes the Band course number (MUSIC 156-02) in your class schedule (under Music Ensemble).

