

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY | Jacobs School of Music**  
**GRADUATE FINANCIAL AID POLICIES**

IU Jacobs School of Music financial aid is merit-based and offered to qualified applicants through the Office of Music Admissions and Financial Aid. Applicants are automatically considered for merit-based aid at the time of admission. The Director of Music Admissions and the Financial Aid Committee determine music merit-based financial aid based on audition rating and institutional need.

**REQUIREMENTS**

**Enrollment**

Recipients of music merit-based financial aid must be enrolled full-time at the Jacobs School of Music. During the academic year, full-time enrollment consists of **8** credit hours per semester for students enrolled in degree programs or **9** credit hours per semester for students enrolled in diploma programs.

**Change of Program**

Current recipients of music merit-based financial aid who are admitted to a new degree or diploma program will be reconsidered for aid based on their new audition rating as well as institutional need.

**Time Limit**

Students are eligible to receive music merit-based financial aid for a limited number of semesters. Summer sessions and dissertation year fellowships are not included in this limit. All AI/GA appointments are considered as music financial aid. The graduate time limits are as follows:

- a) 4 semesters for master's degrees
- b) 4 semesters for PD or AD or any combination of PD/AD
- c) 6 semesters for PD plus AD if the PD is completed prior to beginning the AD
- d) 6 semesters for a combination of two master's degrees or a master's degree with a double major
- e) 6 semesters for master's and PD or master's and AD
- f) 6 semesters maximum for all doctoral degree work
- g) 10 semesters maximum for any combination of graduate music financial aid, including graduate assistantships
- h) Individual departments may have shorter time limits
- i) Time limit extension appeals will be reviewed by the Jacobs School of Music Financial Aid Committee. Special consideration is given to students with master's degree programs whose major field requirements warrant an extension, provided the department supports the request and the Director of Graduate Studies verifies satisfactory degree progress

**Grade Point Average**

To receive Jacobs School of Music financial aid, recipients must earn a minimum cumulative IU GPA of 3.0 at the end of the second semester of study, and maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA each semester thereafter.

**Fellowships**

Chancellor's, Dean's, and Jacobs School of Music Fellowship recipients must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.75. If the cumulative GPA falls below 3.75, failure to raise the GPA to the required level in the next semester of enrollment may lead to discontinuation of the fellowship.

**Satisfactory Progress**

Recipients must make satisfactory degree progress, as determined by the Director of Graduate Studies. Probation in any semester will lead to discontinuation of music merit-based financial aid beginning in the next semester of enrollment.

**Ensemble Requirement**

Recipients must have a passing grade of D- or better in ensemble each semester, if ensemble enrollment is required for the degree. Failure to pass ensemble will lead to discontinuation of music merit-based financial aid until the student passes two ensembles in the next semester of enrollment.

**Employment Requirements for AI/GA Appointments**

To receive Jacobs School of Music financial aid, other employment opportunities are limited by the following regulations:

- a) AI/GA appointees may not be employed by IU at 100% FTE in another position
- b) AI/GA appointees may not hold two Indiana University student academic appointments, including AI or GA positions, if they total more than 50% FTE