



**Southampton  
Solent  
University**

# Music and performing arts

Undergraduate courses 2026



Best university in Hampshire for learning opportunities, teaching, assessment and feedback, and academic support (NSS 2025).



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I SEE,  
SEES ME.**

You're passionate about a career in the performance industry. That's clear. And it's more than a hobby. You want to make a living out of it. There are a wide range of career options in this sector - and our graduates prove it.

Are you an aspiring musician, performing artist, content creator or business executive looking for a sustainable career in the creative industries? We can help you to develop your skills, whether it's performing, recording, broadcasting, managing or promoting in this ever-evolving sector.



## Why Solent?

- Our courses in the subject of music rank 3rd in the UK for student satisfaction, out of 79 institutions (The Complete University Guide 2026).
- Our performance courses achieved positivity measures of 100% for academic support, 97% for teaching and 94% for learning resources (NSS 2025).
- Students on BA (Hons) Acting and Performance gave 100% positivity score for academic support (2024).
- Learn from an enthusiastic and dedicated team of academics, producers, composers, musicians, actors, sound engineers and DJs, with a wealth of international industry experience.
- We have excellent links to Southampton's vibrant local music scene and work with the city's best music venues, including The Joiners, The 1865, O2 Guildhall, Engine Rooms, Heartbreakers, and many more.
- Our academic staff publish their research internationally, and guest lecturers – including actors, directors, DJs and musicians – regularly share their unique industry insights.

Course list	UCAS tariff points	Foundation Year available	URL
BA (Hons) Acting and Performance	104-120	–	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/WW47">www.solent.ac.uk/WW47</a>
BA (Hons) Digital Music	104-120	Y	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/DM01">www.solent.ac.uk/DM01</a>
BA (Hons) Event Management	104-120	Y	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/VEM1">www.solent.ac.uk/VEM1</a>
BA (Hons) Music Business	104-120	–	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/MB01">www.solent.ac.uk/MB01</a>
BA (Hons) Musical Theatre	104-120	–	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/WW31">www.solent.ac.uk/WW31</a>
BA (Hons) Music Performance and Production	104-120	Y	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/MMusicPerfProd">www.solent.ac.uk/MMusicPerfProd</a>
BA (Hons) Music Performance	104-120	Y	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/MusicPerf">www.solent.ac.uk/MusicPerf</a>
BA (Hons) Music Production	104-120	Y	<a href="http://www.solent.ac.uk/MusicProd">www.solent.ac.uk/MusicProd</a>

## Specialist facilities and equipment

### Rehearsal spaces

A variety of rehearsal spaces, including rehearsal rooms and an additional 64-seat flexi-form space on campus, which can be used for live performances.

### Media store

A specialist media kit store, offering free loans of a range of high-end equipment including professional microphones: Neumann U87s, AKG C414s and a range of Sontronic microphones.

### Recording studios

Eleven separate audio recording studios including a Dolby Atmos mix room. Our flagship Studio 1 features an industry-leading 24-fader, Avid S6 M40 control surface. All studios run on Pro Tools HDX, Logic Pro and Ableton Live software, complemented by high-end, professional Neve and Focusrite microphone pre-amps, hardware compressors, EQs and a suite of plug-ins from Sonnox, McDSP, Avid and Melodyne, as well as Pioneer CDJ hardware. The synthesiser collection includes Moog Sub 37, ARP 2600, Sequential Prophet 5, Roland Jupiter X, TR08 and TB03 machines.

### Music practice rooms

Featuring everything a band needs to rehearse, such as top-of-the-range amplifiers including Fender Hot Rods, Fender Twins, Fender Rumble bass amps, Marshall JCM 800 Half Stack and Ampeg SVT8x10 Stack, as well as full PA, Mapex drums and Paiste cymbals.

### Digital music lab

Our dedicated digital music lab has Logic Pro, Ableton Live Suite and Native Instruments' Komplete. Our recording/DJ booth features the latest Pioneer CDJ3000 decks and DJM-A9 mixer with cutting-edge recording facilities, including UA microphone pre-amps, valve/tube microphones with a host of professional Sonnox and UA plug-ins, plus Adam A77H Midfield Monitors.



Take a virtual tour of our state-of-the-art facilities – visit [explore.solent.ac.uk](http://explore.solent.ac.uk)



At Solent I got to try new things, escape my comfort zone and make errors. It allowed me to put together a wealth of skills to take into the industry. I was gifted a vast bank of knowledge from lecturers. I also learnt how to conduct myself in rehearsals and left with a work ethic that gets me back into the audition room time and again.”

**Troy Chessman, Professional actor**  
BA (Hons) Acting and Performance, 2018



Discover more graduate success stories at [www.solent.ac.uk/MAP-stories](http://www.solent.ac.uk/MAP-stories)



I gained so much confidence at Solent. I left sixth form feeling a bit lost. I knew I wanted to work in music but – completely erroneously – thought it wasn’t an option for a woman.

I discovered Solent’s course, and it just fit like a glove. It gave me a little support network in which to build my knowledge and skills before stepping out into real-world industry.”

**Jo Howarth, Artist Manager, Attention Management**  
BA (Hons) Music Management, 2018  
(see BA (Hons) Music Business)

## How to apply

For information and advice on how to apply to Solent, find your course at [www.solent.ac.uk/courses](http://www.solent.ac.uk/courses) and visit the 'How to apply' section.

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