

University Settlement

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University Settlement
Founded in 1910

Over 100 Years of Service in the Community

Music and Arts School

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. How do I register for lessons?

A. Registration may be done either in person or over the telephone. We are currently unable to offer online registration. Payment must be made at the time of registration for the registration to be considered complete; the School cannot reserve lesson times without payment. We divide our school year into four terms, and students must register or re-register for their lessons each term.

Q. What is your policy on cancellations?

A. Should you cancel your private lesson with 24 hours notice, a make-up will be arranged, maximum of 1 per term. With *less* than 24 hours notice the lesson is forfeited and not eligible for a make-up. Should your teacher cancel a lesson, it will be rescheduled. For further details, consult *Information for Students* (available online or from the School office).

Q. Does the School have its own system of learning?

A. There is no University Settlement method of music instruction. Our teachers are trained in and familiar with many methods. Should you wish, our faculty can offer you guided instruction in progressive methods, such as the RCM method. Some students, particularly adults, prefer to progress at their own pace, setting their own goals in consultation with our teachers. Music & Arts School faculty are also qualified to draw upon their knowledge to offer this type of individualized instruction.

Q. Will I need to practice, and may I practice at the School?

A. Yes, private practice is essential if you wish to progress in your studies. You can practice at the School during teaching hours, so long as a studio is not reserved for private teaching. This is included in your fees. Please check the studio schedules next to the Music Office door for studio availability.

Q. Will I need to buy an instrument right away?

A. Not necessarily. We have several different types of instruments available for rental at reasonable rates, and you may use our pianos for practicing. We also keep a waitlist of students looking to either purchase or receive a donated piano. Please keep in mind that as you progress in your studies, a purchase will become necessary.

Q. Is the School accessible?

A. Yes! The 23 Grange Road building is equipped with an elevator which provides access to all rooms used for music school classes and private lessons.