MUSIC TECHNOLOGY (B.M.)

The B.M. in Music Technology prepares students for careers in audio engineering, sound design, or graduate study in music. Program objectives are located at: http://www.keene.edu/catalog/programs/detail/music-technology-bm/outcomes/. The degree conforms to standards in music technology set by the National Association of Schools of Music, including audio recording, audio engineering, and studio sound. Students will achieve fluency in microphone technique and develop a knowledge base of other peripheral equipment. The program emphasizes fundamentals of recording equipment and practice, including equipment calibration, alignment, and testing, and studio set-up for recording in various professional settings. In addition, students receive advanced practica in professional recording studio operation.

All students are auditioned before admission to the program.

A grade C or higher must be earned in each music course counted toward the major.

Mid-Level Review

All music majors must complete a Mid-Level Review prior to the junior year. The Review is normally conducted during the student’s fourth semester of study, with adjustments made for transfer credits, participation in national and international exchange programs, and official leaves of absence. The Mid-Level Review consists of an application (information form, transcript, and reflective essay) and an assessment meeting between the candidate and the Faculty Review Panel. Application forms and additional information are available from the Music Department Office.

The purpose of the Mid-Level Review is threefold:

1. to assess the student’s academic progress,
2. to assess the student’s artistic progress, and
3. to advise the student on academic, artistic, and career goals.

Music Education and Music Performance majors whose academic record and/or artistic growth are not at an appropriate level based on state and national standards cannot continue in either of those two Bachelor of Music degree programs, but may continue to be a music major in the Bachelor of Arts in Music program.