

## Applying to the Music Therapy Major

### Minimum Requirements

CUM GPA over 2.7

#### and either

Enrollment in MTH 201 *Introduction to International Music Therapy* with a grade of 84% on the midterm exam.

#### or

Completion of MTH 201 *Introduction to International Music Therapy* with a final grade of at least 84%.

### Application

If you are enrolled at Berklee and are considering music therapy as your major, you must first successfully complete the course, *Introduction to International Music Therapy*. If you are at mid-term in the course and successful to date, or you have completed the course, you may apply to the major.

### **Here is the process:**

- 1) Go to the Music Therapy Office (Room 134, 7 Haviland) to get a *Declaration of Major Form*.
- 2) Download the *Application for the Music Therapy Major* online at: <http://www.berklee.edu/pdf/majors/musictherapy/MTApplication.doc> and send it back to [jjaffe@berklee.edu](mailto:jjaffe@berklee.edu). **If you don't get an e-mail confirmation within 24 hours (if submitted Monday-Friday) that the document has been received, please send again.** If you're having e-mail issues you may bring in a CD or flash drive with the digital file OR you may bring in a hard copy to the office on or before the due date.
- 3) After your application is submitted, see the Music Therapy Department Coordinator for an appointment for an official interview. Requests for time slots will only be accepted in person or over the phone. **E-mail requests will not be accepted.**
- 4) Bring your principal instrument, the *Declaration of Major Form*, and your completed application form to the interview. We will provide a piano, guitar, CD player, and amplifier.

### Sign-Ups and Interviews

Deadlines for the applications to the major will be announced online and posted at the Music Therapy Department Office. Your interview will take place in the Music Therapy Department office (Room 134, 7 Haviland) will be 20-30 minutes long. During this time, you will be asked to do the following:

1. Play a musical selection of your choice using your principal instrument; and sing a song accompanied by piano or guitar;
2. Demonstrate a high level of conversational English;
3. Demonstrate comprehension of English by reading a passage from a book (provided) and interpreting the content;

4. Describe your interest in becoming a music therapy major by written demonstration (essay) and through verbal expression;
5. Demonstrate personal self-awareness and clinical judgment by verbally describing your response to a hypothetical clinical case.

Once your interview has been completed, you will be notified within two weeks by the Music Therapy Department Chair as to your standing as a music therapy major. Students will be admitted, admitted on a provisional basis, or not admitted into the major. Successful completion of this process entitles you to enroll in courses in the major beyond the introductory course.

Please contact Department Coordinator, Jennifer Jaffe, in the Music Therapy office with any questions. She can be reached via email at [jjaffe@berklee.edu](mailto:jjaffe@berklee.edu), by phone at 617-747-8677, or in person in room 134 in the 7 Haviland building.