Dear ,

Congratulations! Based on your recent audition, the music faculty at Arkansas Tech University is pleased to extend to you a music performance scholarship award in the amount of **$** per semester. This award may be renewed up to 8 semesters as long as you meet the scholarship requirements outlined in the “Scholarship Terms and Conditions” (listed below) and pending availability of funds. As a requirement of this award, you must remain in good standing with the music department faculty. The music department faculty reserves the right to immediately amend this award if you decide to pursue a major area of study other than music.

In addition to the music scholarship mentioned above, the ATU financial aid office has indicated you may be eligible for an academic scholarship award in the amount of $ per semester. You may also qualify for other financial aid, including the Arkansas Challenge Scholarship, Foundation Scholarships, grants, and loans. Awards offered through the ATU Office of Financial Aid are subject to the State of Arkansas and ATU rules and regulations. We encourage you to contact the ATU Financial Aid Office if you have any questions about any additional assistance you may be eligible to receive.

Please indicate your intention to accept this award and attend Arkansas Tech University as a music major by replying to this email with “I accept” or “I decline” by Friday, April 30th. Be advised that before a student can receive a scholarship award, they must have completed a current FASFA form. You can find information about completing a FASFA form at the following link: [https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa](https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank).

We welcome you to the Music Department at Arkansas Tech University and are excited you will be joining our musical community. Congratulations again on this significant achievement!

Sincerely,



Dr. Daniel A. Belongia

Director of Bands

Professor of Music

Arkansas Tech University



Dr. Christopher H. Harris

Director of Choral Activities

Assistant Professor of Music

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**Music Scholarship Specific Terms and Conditions**
1. The scholarship recipient should maintain full-time student status (12 hours each semester to maintain a music scholarship – students must complete 30 hours each year to maintain all other ATU financial awards) with continued good academic standing (2.5 cumulative GPA), grades of “B” or better in applied lessons and cannot be on probation.

2. If at any time during the semester the scholarship recipient drops below full-time student status or violates any term or condition of the scholarship, it will be terminated immediately.

3. The scholarship recipient must make consistent, satisfactory academic progress towards a bachelor's degree from Arkansas Tech University per the definitions in the Arkansas Tech University Undergraduate Catalog.

4. Students receiving a music department scholarship are required to participate in the appropriate ensemble(s). Wind and percussion students are required to participate in the marching band each fall semester and a concert band (Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Concert Band) every semester. Vocal students will be required to participate in two choral ensembles each semester. Piano students will be required to accompany other students and ensembles as appropriate at the determination of the music department piano faculty. In addition, music majors receiving scholarship awards will be required to enroll in the appropriate chamber music course every semester.

5. Since the music scholarship is specifically tied to performing full-time with on campus music ensembles, it cannot be extended to those BME students in the final internship semester of their program of study.

6. As performing ambassadors for the university, the Department of Music requires the following from the scholarship recipient: a. Excellence in performance; b. Consistency in attending all rehearsals, performances and ensemble events; c. Loyalty to the ensemble, Department of Music, and University; d. Commitment to working as a team with faculty and fellow students.

7. The scholarship recipient must adhere to the Arkansas Tech University Student Code of Conduct as defined in the Arkansas Tech University Student Handbook.

8. In addition to the general academic and conduct criteria given above, music scholarship recipients will be evaluated on their successful contributions to the following performing areas of the ATU Department of Music: a. Band (supervisor, Dr. Daniel Belongia) b. Choir (supervisor, Dr. Christopher Harris) c. Piano Accompanying (supervisor, Dr. Tim Smith).