

UNDERGRADUATE CLASSICAL VOICE / OPERA

The minimum standard for entry is Grade VII (UNISA, Royal Schools, or Trinity). In special cases, we will accept applications from singers at an equivalent level who may not have matric music or music grades if they have a solo or choral background.

You are strongly advised to audition as early as possible, particularly if you are applying for financial aid and/or university accommodation.

Audition requirements

You will audition live. Please prepare **two contrasting songs or arias**, preferably in different languages, and to be performed from memory. An accompanist will be provided; remember to bring music for the accompanist in the key you are singing it in. If you have any questions about these requirements, please write in advance to shabnam.pansari@uct.ac.za for clarification.

In addition, candidates must prepare a performance, also from memory, of the short **piece of spoken text** in English, female monologue or male monologue as per the website. Spend time preparing your understanding of the situation the monologue is delivered in and making clear the thoughts and feelings of the character who is speaking.

All applicants are required to submit a personal statement online when booking your audition and complete a theory test on the day of your audition.

PERSONAL STATEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Please write a brief statement (maximum 500 words) telling us about yourself and your vision of your future contribution to the development of music in South African Music

Your writing should tell us who you are, why you want to pursue this qualification, and why you are well suited to it. Focus on personal experiences (and experiences with music) that are relevant to your personal and academic growth, and how these have uniquely shaped your outlook on the world. How have the insights you have acquired on your journey informed your vision of what you can contribute positively to the field? Write honestly and use descriptive language to create a vivid picture of your journey that convinces us of your authentic interest in this academic programme and field.

To book an audition, please click here <https://forms.gle/ob7iudirmDA4fq8R9>