Mission Statement

The Graduate Professional Diploma program in Instrumental Performance is a non-academic course of study that allows the student to concentrate on musical development in her/his area of performance. Generally undertaken as an adjunct to or in lieu of the Master’s Degree, this program emphasizes training in solo, chamber music and orchestral performance and provides abundant time to practice and address relevant concerns. Graduates are prepared to undertake further graduate study or to begin professional careers as performers.

Student Learning Goals

1. Students will be able to perform on their instruments in a technically proficient and accurate manner.

2. Students will be able to demonstrate familiarity with music and performance practices from diverse historical and stylistic genres.

3. Students will be able to perform in – and understand similar and dissimilar relevant characteristics of – solo, chamber music and large ensemble environments.

4. Students will be able to coordinate the various considerations necessary to present a public recital, including artistic, logistical, programming, presentations, etc.