Duke
DEPARTMENT of MUSIC *Class of 2026*

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Major: Biology
Minors: Chemistry & Music (Score-Focused)

Duke Music Highlight

Late-night a cappella rehearsals, scouring the practice rooms for a music stand, Baroque performance class with Dr. Giles and Dr. Stinson, flute studio recitals, and quiet moments in the Biddle Library—studying organic chemistry or writing about the Baroque flute.

What's Next

I hope to find a gap year research position before applying to medical school!

Music Mentors

- Carla Copeland-Burns

"I highly recommend that students pursue music performance in one of Duke's many ensemble or orchestral groups, or take a more academic dive at least with the minor degree. I likely would have discontinued my instrument and studies in music if it weren't for the support of my professor and the variety of opportunities available to me."