



Worship Arts

Prepare for a career in worship design and leadership. Northwestern College's interdisciplinary worship arts major will give you a solid theological foundation and develop your creative, artistic and leadership abilities with courses in biblical and theological studies, theatre and music, as well as in art, communications and English.

The art of worship

The role of worship arts impacts everything from the greeters at the door to the graphics on the screen, from testimonies shared and Scripture presented, to the songs sung and the words spoken from the pulpit or platform. Prepare for a career as a worship leader or member of a worship leadership team that creates moving, theologically sound church worship. Learn to stimulate multiple senses of diverse worshipers to engage them in a transcendent, transformative worship experience.

As a worship arts major, you will learn to:

VALUE and explain the history of each element of Christian worship in the life of the local church.

ENVISION and craft a series of worship services for a particular congregation or body of worshipers.

ARTICULATE clearly and communicate effectively about worship and during worship.

EQUIP and empower other worship leaders and worshipers.

SYNTHESIZE the artistry of corporate worship in service of a single story.

ASSESS the planning, fulfillment and impact of a past worship service to inform future worship services.

REFINE worship through taking calculated risks and growing from both success and failure.

Courses

In addition to a required internship in worship arts that may be fulfilled either through our campus chapel program or in an area church or other worship setting, courses in the worship arts major will expose you to varied theological and arts learning. Among your courses will be options like these:

- Theology of Worship
- Story and Worship
- Worship Words
- History of Christianity
- Music of the Church
- Art History
- Music Fundamentals
- Leading Worship Teams
- Worship Technology
- Practicum in Worship Arts
- Senior Seminar

The Calling of the Spirit

You're unique. And the ways the Holy Spirit may be calling you to serve the church are as distinctive as you are. That's why we've designed the worship arts major to be paired with another major, minor or collection of courses that interests you and strengthens your areas of giftedness. Examples of what our students combine with worship are music, art, youth ministry, biblical and theological studies, theatre, sociology and more!

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To learn more about the worship arts program and classes:

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