


UMKC Conservatory
Orchestral Conducting

APPLICATION/AUDITION PROCEDURES 2025

APPLICATION

Before scheduling your audition, please [apply to the Conservatory](#). Details about audition and application procedures can be found [on our website](#). Deadline to apply is **December 15, 2024**.

Applicants must upload the following to the application:

- A video of approximately 20 minutes of your conducting in performance or rehearsal. This video should be of your front and not shot from behind. It is permissible to include excerpts of different pieces or rehearsals to convey a wider range of styles but not required. Also on your recording, please include a small introduction of yourself and describe your goals in pursuing a conducting degree.

AUDITION

Orchestral conducting auditions are scheduled on an individual basis based on program space. To arrange an audition, please contact Dr. Christopher Kelts.

If you are chosen to come and do a live audition with the Conservatory Orchestra on campus, you will be contacted by February 1. During your live audition at UMKC, you will be asked to conduct and rehearse the Conservatory Orchestra for about 15-20 minutes. The literature to conduct will be discussed with you before you arrive.

Candidates will be notified of their status by April 1.