

School of Performing Arts and Fine Arts

Department of Music



Department Profile

The Department of Music and Fine Arts was established in the year 2016. Being the birth place of the Trinity of South Indian Music, namely, Sri Syama Sastri, Sri Tyagaraja and Sri Muttusvami Dikshita, Thiruvavur becomes an ideal place to propagate the rich music tradition propounded by them.

UG Course in Music

The Department presently offers a Four year UG course in Music, Bachelor of Performing Arts (B.P.A). This would cover practical performing papers and theory papers. Some of the salient features of this course are:

- To provide traditional classical music learning, by using authentic audio/video/text material and modern IT tools.
- To give individual attention to students
- To make a student accessible to extensive learning material

To focus on shaping a student to take up music as a profession (Performer, Teacher or Researcher).

Music as an Elective subject

It has also been proposed to introduce Music as an Elective subject under CBCS, to the students of CUTN studying in various Departments. There will be options for a student to select a beginner's course (those who do not have prior music training) or a second level / Advanced course (for those who had already learnt the basics of Classical music). The elective papers would be both practical (vocal/Instrumental) and theory (writing), which a student can opt for.

The Department also intends to extend music training to all the lovers of Classical Music, through certificate Courses.

Music Research

Another significant aim of the Department of Music and Fine arts of CUTN is to promote active and serious music research through various Research Projects and Research degree programmes. The Department looks forward to setting up of an exclusive research reference and guidance section. The Departmental library would be set up with reference material of all kinds. Besides research on pure musical aspects, topics relating to inter-disciplinary research would also be encouraged. The collaborative research work would be pursued with related Departments of CUTN and other Institutions in India and abroad.

Thus it makes the Department of Music at CUTN as a model institution for traditional music teaching, learning and research.