



## **VIOLIN STUDIES**

The string program at California State University, Sacramento offers students the opportunity to pursue Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music, and Master of Music degrees in violin performance. Excellent facilities are provided for this program, in which the violinist receives private weekly lessons and participates in masterclasses by renowned guest artists, studio classes, and monthly string seminars. The intensive study of chamber music is at the core of the performance curriculum, and students are encouraged to perform and explore technical and musical ideas with their colleagues.

Other performing activities include the Symphony Orchestra, the Opera Orchestra, solo recitals, and the nationally-acclaimed Festival of New American Music. Instruction in period instrument practice is also available. The musically rewarding environment at Sacramento State will expose violin students to the technical skills, musical knowledge, performance experiences and artistic standards necessary to meet the variety of musical demands encountered in the professional world today.

Prior to acceptance into degree programs, students must pass an entrance audition. The following list includes suggested solo works. To discuss other acceptable audition literature, contact Anna Presler at: [apresler@csus.edu](mailto:apresler@csus.edu)

### **Freshmen and Junior Level Transfers: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Music Education, Bachelor of Music in Theory & Composition**

Two-octave scales and arpeggios  
Any etude from Kreutzer -- 24 Caprices  
A piece of the candidate's choice

### **Freshmen and Junior Level Transfers: Bachelor of Music**

Three-octave scales and arpeggios  
A movement of unaccompanied Bach  
Two contrasting movements from a sonata or concerto of the candidate's choice

### **Master of Music (Performance), Performers Certificate**

Three-octave scales and arpeggios  
A movement of a standard concerto  
Two contrasting works of the candidate's choice  
A movement of unaccompanied Bach