

**JMU Piano Area:
Fall 2020 Applied Studio Teaching Procedures**

Piano Lessons: It is important during this time of Covid-19, that both students and faculty feel comfortable in the lesson environment. With that in mind, piano lessons will be delivered in one or in a combination of the following formats:

1. Face-to-face Instruction. Everyone will be required to wear a facemask while in the Forbes Center, and this will also extend to the piano studio. The professor will, in addition, wear a face shield and pianos will be cleaned regularly. The SOM is exploring possibilities for some kind of transparent barrier separating pianos in the studio.
2. Synchronous Online Instruction. This is an extension of the policy from spring 2020, which also includes uploading previously recorded videos to YouTube using formats such as MP4, MOV, MPEG4, etc.

Practice Rooms: It is important that piano majors have access to the grand piano practice rooms, which will be reserved for piano majors only. Policies are being drawn up outlining both safe usage, and maintenance of both the rooms and the instruments.

Area Recitals: The number of area recitals will be reduced, and only those performing will be physically in attendance at the recital. The SOM is looking into ways of livestreaming these performances.

Studio Classes: Studio classes will proceed in some form in the Recital Hall, the size of which will allow for the recommended social distancing.

For safety reasons, piano students must wash/disinfect their hands before and after playing any piano, whether in the Recital Hall, a practice room, or in a piano studio. Do not attend your lesson, area events, or enter practice rooms if you are sick or exhibit any of the symptoms associated with COVID-19, which may include fever, sore throat, cough, runny nose, shortness of breath, and/or loss of sense of smell.