

# Department of Music

## Policy on Use of Cell Phones and Laptops

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Students are expected to turn off and stow *all* electronic devices (cell phones, iPods, etc.) before class begins, as well as during ensemble rehearsals, lessons, and concerts. Anyone wishing to use a laptop to take notes during class must first ask permission from the instructor. Acceptable uses of laptops in class include taking notes, following along with a PowerPoint presentation, use during a student presentation, and other whole class activities. Instant messaging, e-mailing, surfing the Internet, playing games, writing papers, doing homework, etc. during class time are not acceptable.

**All Departmental programs will now contain the following statement at the bottom of pg. 1:**  
Please turn off and stow *all* electronic devices upon entering the concert hall.  
Thank you!

### Classroom Code of Conduct

From the University Catalog ([link](#))

Faculty and students will at all times conduct themselves in a manner that serves to maintain, promote, and enhance the high quality academic environment of the University of Vermont. To this end, it is expected that all members of the learning community will adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Faculty and students will attend all regularly scheduled classes, except for those occasions warranting an excused absence under the University Attendance Policy (e.g., religious, athletic, and medical).
2. Students and faculty will arrive prepared for class and on time, and they will remain in class until the class is dismissed.
3. Faculty and students will treat all members of the learning community with respect. Toward this end, they will promote academic discourse and the free exchange of ideas by listening with civil attention to comments made by all individuals.
4. Students and faculty will maintain an appropriate academic climate by refraining from all actions that disrupt the learning environment (e.g., making noise, ostentatiously not paying attention, and leaving and reentering the classroom inappropriately).

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