



Greetings from UNI! I hope that you are having a great summer and are finding time to relax and enjoy your time off from school! We are very excited to have you in the Panther Marching Band next year. You will never have another experience in your life like your college marching band experience! I am joined by our staff, student leadership, and veteran members in welcoming you to our band program. It is our goal to help you to have an outstanding experience as a new member of our band!

This year, we have several exciting halftime shows in the works. We will perform no less than four different halftime shows and a pregame show. In addition to our home games, we will also perform in Iowa City at our game against Iowa. The Panther Marching Band Student Leadership has met with me several times and are working very hard to make the 2009 Season the best yet.

We are also excited to release our newest CD, titled "Unite or Die"! You may purchase a copy when you arrive in August. Plans are underway to record and release a CD of the 2009 season as well!

This newsletter will bring you up to date on the upcoming 2009 season. The Preseason Training Camp will begin for Winds on Monday, August 17, and end on Saturday, August 22 at noon. Drumline will begin on Saturday, August 15. Please note that everyone will be allowed to move into his or her permanent dorm room on the date assigned for your registration (August 15 or 17).

Prior to coming to camp, please visit our website and download music for the pregame show. There are three songs online for you to download: UNI Fight, Pregame Finale, and Westward Yo. The music can be found at this web address:

<http://www.uni.edu/music/marchingband/UNI%20Music.html>

We ask that you simply play through the music to be familiar with it, but **please do not memorize the music yet**. The website includes multiple parts for each instrument (for instance, 2nd and 3rd trumpet parts are included). Part assignments for trumpet, clarinet, etc. will be made on the first day of camp. Since you do not know which part you will play, you should only play through the music (you may wish to play through both parts) to get a feel for the rhythm and form of the piece.

Recordings for all three songs can be found on this webpage as well. You should use them to help familiarize yourself with the pieces.

This will be our final correspondence before your arrival on campus and should include all the information necessary to make your final plans. If there are unanswered questions, please call me at (319) 273-2173 or email danny.galyen@uni.edu

We are looking forward to having you join us for an exciting season of music and drill! I hope you have a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,

Dr. S. Daniel Galyen

Director of Marching and Symphonic Bands

Panther Marching Band Summer Newsletter 2009

Welcome to the 2009 edition of the Panther Marching Band! This newsletter contains important information about the 2009 season and pre-season training camp – **please read the entire letter**. We look forward to seeing you in August!

PLEASE COMPLETE THE ONLINE REGISTRATION FORM SO THAT WE CAN HAVE MEAL CARDS, HOUSING INFORMATION, T-SHIRTS, SHOES, AND RELATED ITEMS ORDERED AND READY FOR YOUR ARRIVAL: <http://www.uni.edu/music/marchingband/join.html>

PMB LEADERSHIP

Director

Dr. S. Daniel Galyen is the Director of the UNI “Panther” Marching Band. Dr. Galyen holds a B.A. in music education from Virginia Tech, a Masters degree in music education with a wind conducting emphasis from Syracuse University, and a Ph.D. in music education with a wind conducting concentration from the University of Florida. At UNI, Dr. Galyen directs the Panther Marching Band, conducts the Symphonic Band, and teaches courses in conducting and music education.

Graduate Assistants

Megan Austin is a native of Pella, Iowa, and 2005 graduate of UNI with a Bachelors of Music Education. For the past three years, she has been teaching band in the Cedar Rapids school district at McKinley Middle School and CR Jefferson High School.

Allyson Martin is a native of Baltimore, Maryland. She moved to Frankfort, Kentucky in 2000 and attended Western Hills High School in Frankfort. Allyson graduated from Morehead State University in May 2009 in Morehead, Kentucky with a Bachelors of Music Education.

Colorguard Instructor

Amy Hunzelman serves as the Director of Education and Special Programs at the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center (GBPAC). Amy holds a B.M. in Music Performance and B.A. in Communications from the University of Iowa and has over ten years of colorguard coaching experience in the state of Iowa and Illinois. Amy also performed with Brass Theatre, (now the Broadway hit Blast!) in the mid ‘90’s traveling the U.S. with the Canadian Brass.

Drumline Instructor

Michael Thursby holds a Bachelor’s degree in Music Education from the University of Iowa. He is currently pursuing a graduate degree in percussion performance at UNI, where he conducts the UNI Indoor Drumline. He has served as Percussion Instructor & Arranger for Cedar Rapids Kennedy High School, Cedar Rapids Jefferson High School, Iowa City West and City High Schools, and Williamsburg High School.

2009 Drum Majors

Spencer Ford, Nicki Vallentine, and Meredith Young have been selected to serve as Drum Majors for the 2009 season. We wish them well for a super season!

2009 Student Staff

The following “Panther” Marching Band members have been selected to serve as Staff for the 2009 season. Congratulations to the following staff members:

Staff Managers: Elizabeth Cooney and Becca Dolan
Field Coordinator: Sarah Kowal
Equipment Manager: Jason Dornbush, Bonnie Bekersky
Uniform Manager: Rachel Lowry, Sarah Rodgers
Recruiting and Special Projects: Ashley Williams, Kristen Conrad

MUSIC MAJOR ENSEMBLE AUDITIONS

Those students who are scheduled to **audition for Wind Symphony/Orchestra/Concert Band** on Friday and Saturday will be excused at least one hour prior to the audition to prepare. In many cases, you may be granted additional time depending on the schedule.

INSTRUMENTS

If you requested a university instrument on the registration form, your instrument will be ready for you on Monday, August 17. You will be asked to sign a form assuming responsibility for this instrument, its care, normal use, and proper return. There will be a \$30.00 instrument rental fee per semester added to your U-bill. You need to provide reeds, ligature, oil, lyre, flip folder, etc.

UNIFORMS

Uniforms will be issued during preseason camp. There is no cost to you for using the PMB uniform or having the uniform cleaned at the end of the season.

You are expected to **purchase** the following items, if you do not already own them:

1. White marching band shoes (\$26.00 for winds/drumline, \$33.95 for colorguard)
2. PMB T-shirt (\$8.00)
3. White gloves (\$3.00 for winds, \$11.95 for colorguard. Drumline does not wear gloves)
4. PMB Baseball Hat (\$10.00)

You will wear these items at all performances. At registration, these items will be billed to your University Bill (U-Bill). You **MUST** complete the online registration form so that we will know to order these items for you:

<http://www.uni.edu/music/marchingband/join.html>

ACCESSORIES

When you arrive for registration, you will have the option to purchase the 2008 PMB CD "Unite or Die" (\$10.00) and/or the 2008 PMB DVD (Price TBD). The CD and DVD are optional and will be billed to your U-Bill. Wind players should have a flip folder with many pages and a lyre. If you do not have these items, you may purchase them at registration for **CASH ONLY** - you cannot use your U-Bill to purchase them.

SOCIAL EVENTS

As you may already know, the UNI Band likes to have fun!! During preseason camp several social and sporting events have been organized for your enjoyment!!!

OTHER INFORMATION

Be sure to bring comfortable clothes for marching. Shoes should be well broken in and comfortable. **No sandals, flip-flops, or open toe shoes are allowed.** Guard and Drumline should bring sunscreen and sunglasses for occasional outdoor rehearsals. **ALL STUDENTS SHOULD BRING SUNSCREEN AND SUNGLASSES.**

BECAUSE OUR FIRST GAME IS AT IOWA, WE WILL PRACTICE OUTDOORS AT PRE-SEASON CAMP!

Note: The preseason camp daily schedule will follow an 8:15 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. schedule, except on Monday when the camp starts. Classes begin on Monday, August 24.

REMEMBER

Please check your fall schedule to be sure that you are enrolled in Marching Band. 530:018:01 – Freshman/Sophomore course number or 530:118:01 – Junior/Senior course number.

WORK STUDY

If you are eligible and have received an award letter for “Work Study”, there are work opportunities available as a member of the support staff in the School of Music. Contact Claudia Meyer in the music office located at 115 Russell Hall; phone 319-273-2024 or music@uni.edu.

DIVE-IN DAYS

Students living in Springboard housing are not able to participate in Dive-In Days. However, RA’s will be on duty the weekend before school starts to answer any questions. Also, Peer Advisors will repeat the session on academic success at the beginning of the semester.

WORKING ON CAMPUS

Training sessions for students who work on campus (dining halls, etc.) often conflict with band camp rehearsals. Campus employers will hold a separate training session for marching band students that does not conflict with rehearsal. **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO CONTACT YOUR EMPLOYER TO ARRANGE YOUR TRAINING SESSION.** Students are not excused from band to attend these training sessions.

2009 Section Leaders

The following “Panther” Marching Band members have been selected to serve as Section Leaders based on their high standard of musicianship and dedication. The Section Leaders are charged with the task of leading the section and preparing music and marching for performance during sectional rehearsals.

Flute

Courtney Calhoun (music)
Tracy Moore (marching)

Clarinet

Katlin MacBride (music)
Leslie Stratton (marching)

Saxophone

Ashley Atkinson (music)
Angie Burnham (marching)

Mellophone

Aaron Anderson (music)
Brittney Tanning (music)

Trumpet

Danny Kleinheinz (music)
Justin Simmons (marching)

Trombone

Paul Barnett (music)
Emma Reeve (marching)

Baritone/Tenor Sax

Laura Dvorak (music)
Justin Adam (marching)

Tuba

Casey Turner

Drumline

Adam Swope
Sterling Cannaday

Colorguard

Kelsey Thompson
Paige Holtan

PRE-SEASON BAND REHEARSAL INFORMATION

Pre-Season band rehearsals will be held on the following dates:

Drumline and Colorguard: August 15-22 Winds: August 17-22

Registration – General Information

All students should report to the lobby of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center for marching band registration according to the schedule below:

Drumline: 8:00am Saturday on August 15
Colorguard: 8:00am Saturday on August 15
New Wind Players: 8:00-10:00am on Monday, August 17
Returning Wind Players: 10:00am-11:30am on Monday, August 17

Please do not report to your residence hall until you have checked in with us at the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center lobby.

If you are uncertain of your dorm assignment, call the Department of Residence at 319-273-2333. **Note: Since band members are moving into their permanent dorm rooms at the beginning of camp, we cannot provide dorm accommodations for off-campus marching band members.**

Early Move-In: There is NO HOUSING COST to students who are living in the dorms. In the past, some students who have a lengthy drive to campus have asked to move in the day before their assigned move in date. There is a \$30.00 fee to move in one day early. To set this up, please contact the Department of Residence at 319-273-6038 or complete the early arrival form at <http://www.uni.edu/dor/earlyarrival.htm>

Meals: All students (on and off-campus) will receive **free meals** in the Piazza dining hall during the preseason camp. Winds will receive free meals starting with dinner on August 17. Drumline and Guard will receive free meals starting with dinner on August 15. At the end of camp, dorm residents should refer to mailings from the residence hall staff concerning future meals.

Monday Lunch: Lunch is not provided on Monday, August 17. Often, students will eat lunch at a nearby restaurant with their family members, since lunch is immediately after move-in. However, some parents and family members cannot stay through lunch. For this reason, all new students are invited to eat lunch with veteran PMB members. At 11:00am, new students may meet in the lobby of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center for “Lunch with the PMB”. Members of our band service co-ed sorority, Tau Beta Sigma, will join new members for lunch at a nearby restaurant. This lunch is not included, so please bring cash! **This event is optional.**

COLORGUARD:

NOTE: If you have not auditioned, please send a DVD/vidiotape by August 3 to the School of Music Office [48 GBPAC, Cedar Falls, IA 50614-0802]. Those who have already been accepted should report to the Lobby of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center for registration between 8:00am-9:00am on Saturday, August 15. Meals for colorguard will be provided during the preseason camp starting with dinner on Saturday, August 15. **The colorguard begins rehearsals at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 15. Please meet in the GBPAC lobby.**

DRUMLINE

Drumline will begin rehearsals on **Saturday, August 15.**

All students auditioning for the Drumline should report to the lobby of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center for marching band registration starting at 8 a.m. Students will register for band and will also sign up for an audition time. Auditions will be between 10:00am-12:00pm.

After registering for band, students will have until their audition time to move into the residence halls. (Students may continue moving in after their audition if there is time) Drumline students will report to Davis Hall (Room 2 of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center) for auditions. All audition information and music is located on our website at <http://www.uni.edu/music/marchingband/join.html>. If you need a hard copy of the music mailed to you, please contact Susie Grover at 319-273-2025 or susan.grover@uni.edu.

What if you don't make the drumline and have already moved into your dorm?

In the coming years drumline positions will become increasingly competitive. We may not be able to provide a permanent position for every student that auditions. In some cases students who don't make a permanent position **may** be assigned to an **alternate position**. Alternates will not perform every show, but will be rotated into the line on a schedule to be determined at band camp. If you are not selected for the drumline or as an alternate, you may choose to remain in your dorm for the week.

Meals for percussionists will be provided during the preseason camp starting with dinner on Saturday, August 15. **The drum line begins rehearsals at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 15 in Davis Hall.**

WIND PLAYERS:

New members will register between 8:00 and 10:30 a.m., veteran member registration will occur between 10:30 a.m.

and 12:00 p.m. at the lobby of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center. You will register for marching band, be issued music, instrument if you requested one (see additional information under Instruments below), and become reacquainted with all of your friends and colleagues.

After you have completed your registration, new members are free until 12:30 p.m., vets until 3:00 p.m. At 12:30 new members will have a short meeting in the Dome, followed by our first marching rehearsal at 1:00 at the Dome. At 3:30 everyone will rehearse in the Great Hall of the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center (GBPAC) (after the vets meeting at 3:00 in the GBPAC Great Hall). Please refer to the following schedule for Monday, August 17:

SCHEDULE FOR MONDAY, AUGUST 17:

8:00 am - 10:00 am	New Wind Players Registration (GBPAC lobby)
8:00 am - 11:00 am	Drumline Rehearsal (Davis)
10:00am - 11:30 am	Returning Wind Players Registration
11:00am - 12:15 pm	Guard Meeting and Lunch (meet in GBPAC lobby)
11:00am - 12:30 pm	Lunch on your own, or meet in GBPAC lobby to go to lunch with Veteran PMB members (sponsored by TBS).
12:30pm - 1:00 pm	New Member Orientation Meeting [UNI-Dome]
1:00pm - 2:30 pm	Guard/New Member Winds Marching Instruction [UNI-Dome] Percussion rehearsal [Davis Hall]
2:30pm - 3:30 pm	New Member Break
3:00pm - 3:30 pm	Veteran Orientation [GBPAC Great Hall]
3:30pm - 5:15 pm	Music Rehearsal [Winds in GBPAC; Guard in West Gym; Perc in Davis]
5:15pm - 6:30 pm	Dinner at Piazza
6:30pm - 9:30 pm	Marching Instruction – all members [UNI-Dome]
9:45 pm -	S'mores Social [outside of Shull Hall]

SATURDAY, AUGUST 23 will be a morning rehearsal only.

Please mark your calendars with these dates!

2009 UNI Panther Marching Band Performance Calendar:

September 5	UNI at Iowa (Time TBA)
September 12	South Dakota at UNI (4:05pm)
September 19	Saint Francis at UNI (4:05pm)
October 3	Indiana State at UNI (4:05pm, Family Weekend)
October 17	Southern Illinois at UNI (4:05pm, Homecoming)
November 7	Youngstown State at UNI (4:05pm)
November 14	Western Illinois at UNI (4:05pm)
<i>November 28</i>	<i>Possible Playoff Game (Volunteer Band)</i>
<i>December 4 or 5</i>	<i>Possible Playoff Game (Full Band)</i>
<i>December 11 or 12</i>	<i>Possible Playoff Game (Full Band)</i>
<i>December 18</i>	<i>Possible National Championship Game</i>

Game times are subject to change.

Once the semester starts, we will follow the following **Class/Rehearsal Schedule:**

Monday	5:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
Wednesday	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Friday	3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

