



Due to the COVID-19 outbreak we have decided to move our clinic and audition process online for the 2020-2021 season. Those changes have been included in this document. Please contact Dr. Julia Baumanis, Director of Athletic Bands at UCM with any questions: baumanis@ucmo.edu

Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in the University of Central Missouri Color Guard! We are proud of our team's history of award winning excellence in performance and are excited of the prospect of you joining us.

Steps for Auditioning:

In order to join the UCM Color Guard, auditions are required for all new and returning members each year. In order to audition for the 2020-2021 UCM Color Guard, you must complete the following steps:

1. **Fill out our “[Prospective Member Form](#)” (new members ONLY- returning members auditioning do not have to fill out this form).** All new marching band members, from wind players, percussion players, and color guard members should fill this out. Since we are moving almost entirely online, this will be the only way we can get in touch with prospective students and make sure they have everything they need.
2. **Prepare an online audition.** Each member of the UCM Color Guard, returning or new, must audition each season to become a member. Auditions include online video submissions and an online character interview with the UCM Athletic Band Staff. Start preparing your audition by following the steps below:
 - Check out our audition instructions and videos [here](#)
 - Once you have viewed our audition videos, if you would like some help preparing your work for your videos, sign up for an [online clinic](#) with one of our co-captains
 - Once you have made your audition videos, submit them on our [online audition submission form](#).
 - TIP! When creating and sending your links to your audition video, YouTube is preferred and works the best!

Important Dates to Remember

- *May 16* – Audition Video(s) Due
- *May 18-21*- Online character interviews are scheduled (you schedule this on the same form where you submit your audition videos)
- *May 25* – Results are posted
- *APPROXIMATE Preseason Training (Band Camp) days:* We ask that you keep the two weeks prior to Fall classes starting open for Preseason Training. UCM Fall classes begin on Monday,

August 17th. Dates for Preseason Training are tentative as UCM monitors the COVID-19 situation.

Expectations

All students selected for the 2020 UCM Color Guard must attend all of Preseason Training. Once solidified, the schedule for Preseason Training will be posted on the [UCM Bands website](#).

Members of UCM Color Guard are also required to register for the Marching Band Class at UCM. More instructions on how to do this will be sent out closer to the fall semester. All other expectations are outlined in our UCM Band Handbook.

Please contact Dr. Baumanis with any questions. We wish you the best on a successful audition and can't wait to meet our team for 2020!

Sincerely,

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