



2009 Information Sheet

IMPORTANT -PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY!

1. Class Registration: Please note that all students must be enrolled in order to participate in the Band of the Hour.

- Full-time UM students must register for the course Marching Band (MIP 170).

- Students who are not full time UM students, but are enrolled at a local community college or university must enroll via the non-degree status process and submit the following:

- 1) The Application for non-degree registration (a copy is enclosed)
- 2) \$150.00 participation fee in lieu of tuition in order to participate (checks should be payable to The University of Miami)
- 3) A copy of your most recent high school or Jr. College transcript
- 4) A copy of your current immunization records from your physician. Additional information may be obtained from the band office (305) 284-4273. This must be completed by September 11, 2009.

2. Performance/Rehearsals: All students in the Band of the Hour are expected to participate in all pre-season rehearsals as well as all regular rehearsals and performances of the Band of the Hour, including any postseason conference championship or bowl trip. Please see the enclosed performance schedule.

3. Camp Dorm Reservations: If you are a Full-Time UM Student and will be living on campus during the fall semester you are eligible to move-in to your dorm prior to band camp. Dorm check-in will be available on Saturday, August 15 at 8:00 a.m. (All band students will check-in at the MAHONEY Residence Hall Desk regardless of Dorm Assignment. **YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ENCLOSED DORMITORY RESERVATION FORM** and return to the band office prior to **August 1st** in order to be put on the early move-in list. You may fax the form to (305) 284-5727 or email it to bands@miami.edu.

4. Auditions:

Hurricaneettes (Dance Line and Colorguard): The final auditions will be held on Friday, August 14 beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center. Students will be notified that day of their acceptance and are required to participate in rehearsals beginning on Saturday, August 15.

Percussion: The auditions for the percussion section (Snare, Tenor, Bass Drum and Cymbals) will be held on Thursday, August 13 beginning at 5:00 p.m. Students will be notified that

evening of their acceptance and are required to participate beginning on Friday, August 13. Students may select the instrument(s) on which they wish to audition but may be asked to move to a different instrument based on the audition results. Every member of the line is a valuable member regardless of instrument.

Wind Players: There are no formal auditions for wind players with prior experience. Students will be assigned a part in the music based on the observations of the staff during sectional rehearsals. Strong players will be assigned to all parts in order to balance the ensemble. Only in rare instances will a student not be accepted.

5. **Shoes** (Brass, Woodwind and Percussion Players Only)

The Band of the Hour will wear WHITE MTX marching shoes this season. If you have WHITE MTX marching shoes that are in good condition you will not need to purchase new ones. All other students must purchase these shoes. Please see the summary of costs on the next page for details on payment options.

6. **Hats and Visors** (Brass, Woodwind and Percussion Players Only)

Students are strongly encouraged to purchase an official hat or visor to wear during the games as the sun can be quite intense. The official UBand hat is the only hat that will be allowed in the stands or at any marching band function or performance. Please see the summary of costs on the next page for details on payment options.

7. **Hurricane Fees** (Dancers and Colorguard)

All Hurricane members will pay an equipment/uniform fee that will cover the following items: practice uniform, performance boots/shoes, duffel bag. The Band of the Hour will provide university equipment, performance uniform, and practice uniform without charge. These are the property of the University and must be returned in similar condition at the end of the season. The fee for flag line members will be \$110. The fee for dance line members will be \$165. All Hurricanes should also anticipate an additional \$30 in miscellaneous expenses for tights, make-up, etc.

8. **Instrument Rental** (woodwind, brass, and percussion)

If you require a university-owned instrument for marching season (sousaphone, baritone, mellophone, tenor saxophone, piccolo or percussion instrument), you may check one out on the first day of Band Camp during registration (August 15th) The instrument rental fee is \$30.

9. **Website** (www.music.miami.edu/band)

Please check the website on a regular basis both during the summer and once the season begins. It is our intention to use the web and e-mail as our primary source of communication. If your e-mail changes please notify the band office immediately.

10. **Questions**

If you have questions not answered in this packet or need assistance of any kind please do not hesitate to contact the band office at (305) 284-4273 or bands@miami.edu. We will do our best to help you in any way we can to be a successful member of the Band of the Hour.

Summary of Expenses

A great many of the expenses associated with band are covered by funds from the University such as costs of transportation, housing (hotels), meals, and equipment. There are however certain items for which each student is responsible. The following information is provided as a summary of those expenses. **Fees are payable on the first day of full Band Camp (August 15).**

Brass, Woodwind and Percussion Members

1) Band Fee \$70.00

This fee includes 1 pair of gloves (wind players only), white MTX marching shoes, all uniform cleaning fees, a UBand dri-fit shirt to be worn under the uniform, a band polo for travel and pep performances, and a drawstring bag.

If Needed:

1) Instrument Rental and Checkout \$30.00

The **instrument use fee must be paid** prior to any instrument being issued to you.

2) Hat or Visor \$20.00

This is a separate purchase from Tau Beta Sigma (Band Service Sorority). Checks or cash will be given directly to them at registration.

Hurricaneettes (Dancers and Colorguard)

Required:

1) Hurricaneette Fee \$165.00 for Dance Line \$110.00 for Flag Line

All Hurricaneette members will pay an equipment/uniform fee that covers the following items: Performance boots/shoes, practice uniform, duffel bag.

Note: All fees are payable by cash or check only. Unfortunately, we cannot charge to your University Account.

***CHECKS SHOULD BE MADE PAYABLE TO: THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI**