

Hawkeye Marching Band Drumline 2019

Audition Info + Summer Schedule

Welcome!

Thank you for your interest in the Hawkeye Drumline, one of the most visible and exciting sections of the Hawkeye Marching Band. Earning a spot in this group is only the beginning of an amazing journey throughout your time at the University of Iowa. The HMB Drumline marches snare drums, bass drums, quads, and cymbals. Membership in the HMB Drumline is by audition only. Auditionees will be judged on playing and marching ability, attendance, attitude, and work ethic. We look forward to meeting you at clinics and auditions, and as always -- GO HAWKS!

Interested in Auditioning for the Drumline or Attending a Clinic?

- 1 Email Drumline Instructor Nick Miller at nick-miller-1@uiowa.edu** with the following information:
Year in school // Top two preferred instruments // Clinics you plan to attend // Conflicts (e.g. late arrival) // Drumline experience
- 2 Download, print, and memorize ALL of your music and technique packet (uiowa.edu/drumhawk).**
You must have a binder for these materials. If Nick has your email, he will let you know when the website is updated with new music. Memorizing music is a part of being in the drumline. It is just like any other skill you learn, so you must practice it.

Questions? Email Drumline Instructor Nick Miller: nick-miller-1@uiowa.edu, Director of the Hawkeye Marching Band, Dr. Eric Bush: eric-bush@uiowa.edu, or call the UI Band Office at 319 335 1635.

Things to Keep in Mind as You Prepare to Audition...

- Get good at the “easy” stuff! Auditionees always want to show off their stick tricks, and the newest drum corps lick they learned. We want auditionees who take pride in perfect rhythms, sound quality, and consistency.
- Eat well, exercise, and get your rest. These rehearsals can be draining. Your body needs to be equipped to carry your instrument.
- Practice efficiently. Spend your time in front of a mirror, with a metronome, on a drum (if possible), and record yourself. Recording and evaluating your practice can be frustrating, but it will always reveal the truth. Feel free to send me videos of your practice. Record yourself playing, and Nick will send you feedback.
- Consistent improvement across all of the clinics and auditions will be taken into consideration when determining who earns a spot. Showing progress and making an impression during the summer might just be the difference between you and someone else.

What do I need to bring to clinics/auditions?

Please bring a practice pad, sticks/mallets, a pencil, and your binder. It is advised to bring sunscreen, earplugs, a water bottle, athletic clothing, and lunch money. Equipment will be provided, but if you have a drum and/or stand, please bring it.



When are the clinics/auditions?

Please pay close attention to attendance requirements for each event:

Saturday June 8th - Clinic #1

Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex

(Open to: HMB Veterans, Prospective members of the HMB Drumline, and any High School drumline students)

9 AM	Block 1
Noon - 1 PM	Lunch
1 PM - 4 PM	Block 2

Saturday June 22nd - Clinic #2

Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex

(Open to: HMB Veterans, Prospective members of the HMB Drumline, and any High School drumline students)

9 AM	Block 1
Noon - 1 PM	Lunch
1 PM - 4 PM	Block 2

Saturday June 29th

Clinic #3 and Mock Auditions

Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex

(Open to: HMB Veterans and Prospective Drumline members. **Attendees must be planning to attend the University of Iowa in Fall 2019**)

9 AM	Block 1
Noon - 1 PM	Lunch
1 - 4 PM	Mock Auditions/sectionals
4 - 5 PM	Dinner (Provided)
5 - 9 PM	Mock Auditions/sectionals

Saturday July 13th

Drumline Auditions

Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex

Attendance is mandatory for all veteran and prospective members unless excused by Nick Miller.

(Attendees must be planning to attend the University of Iowa)

9 AM	Block 1
Noon - 1 PM	Lunch
1 - 4 PM	Block 2
4 - 5 PM	Dinner (Provided)
5 - 9 PM	Block 3

Sunday August 11th - Early Move-ins

Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex

Mandatory attendance for all members unless excused by Nick Miller

TBA	Move into your dorm
5:30 - 6 PM	Welcome Meeting
6 - 8 PM	Sectionals
8 - 9 PM	Full Drumline

Monday August 12th

Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex

Mandatory attendance for all members unless excused by Nick Miller

9 AM - Noon	Block 1
Noon - 1 PM	Lunch
1 - 5 PM	Block 2
5 - 6 PM	Dinner
6 - 9 PM	Block 3

Tuesday August 13th

Hawkeye Tennis and Recreation Complex

Mandatory attendance for all members unless excused by Nick Miller

9 AM - Noon	Block 1
Noon - 1 PM	Lunch
1 - 5:30 PM	Block 2
5:30 - 6:30 PM	Dinner
6:30 PM	Band Camp Begins

