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**Favorite classes**: Any of my music classes! The professors in the music school are great and really care about each student as an individual. They also make sure to offer resources for students if they're having any trouble. The music classes are also really fun because you get to be with others who share your love for music.

**Favorite thing about Puget Sound and the School of Music:** Many things! I especially love the amount of encouragement I get from my peers and professors. The general environment is very welcoming and I love being able to share my music with others. I've also been challenged in ways that make me a better musician and performer. The expertise of the music faculty is boundless and I have learned so much in just the short time I've attended school at UPS. I've developed a stronger passion for music through my peers and my professors and I couldn't be happier to be in such a positive place to share my music with others.

**On why I chose Puget Sound:** The Liberal Arts curriculum really appealed to me. The University of Puget Sound really offers a well-rounded and interesting core curricular. I find myself really excited about other classes as well as ones that are focused around my major. I also really liked the average class side of Puget Sound. Most of the classes are really small and this allows for more one-on-one attention from the professor. This also helps to get to know your classmates a little better and build a comfortable community within the classroom.

**Favorite musical memory at Puget Sound (so far):** We had a "collage" concert at the beginning of the fall semester and it was a really fun to perform in and watch. This concert highlighted different students and ensembles from the music school and it was a great way to start my first semester in performing and supporting my peers.

## Favorite place on campus: Diversions Café

**Looking forward to:** I'm always looking forward to any of my concerts! I love performing in the orchestra. There are so many talented musicians and it is a privilege to play beside them. It is also really encouraging to see so many Puget Sound students who are not a part of the music program attending the concerts; the music school is very much a part of the campus community as a whole.