FAQ: "Phoenix Winds" Wind Ensemble

Who can participate in the Phoenix Winds?
Any student at Elon University with previous experience playing a wind or percussion instrument is eligible to participate in the Phoenix Winds.

Do I have to be a music major to join?
No, all students regardless of major are welcome! The band has members representing a wide variety of majors.

Do I have to audition to join?
No. There is no audition to join, however there is a part placement audition at the first rehearsal.

Will I have time to be in the Phoenix Winds?
Absolutely! The Phoenix Winds meet only once a week, on Tuesday nights from 7:00-9:00. The low time commitment allows you to continue to play great music, but also have time to participate in marching band or other musical ensembles, as well as take advantage of the other academic, service, and social experiences that Elon offers.

What kind of music does the Phoenix Winds play?
The Phoenix Winds is contemporary wind band that performs a wide variety of music including the classic and traditional repertoire for winds as well as modern, avant-garde wind repertoire, and everything in between.

Why should I join the Phoenix Winds?
There are many reasons to join the Phoenix Winds including: continuing your musical education and getting to participate in a great ensemble experience, having the opportunity to perform creative programs with a variety of exceptional, high-quality works, taking part in unique opportunities such as recording and performing world premieres of new music commissioned specifically for the Phoenix Winds, performing with spectacular guest artists, working directly with composers, and collaborating on special performances with other artistic genres such as dance and visual art! The reasons are endless.

What do I have to do to join?
Contact Director of Bands, Dr. Adam Kehl, via email at akehl@elon.edu and let him know you are interested. Then register for MUS 101 during your fall registration! Simple as that!