

# *Music at River Plate Adventist University*

*Universidad Adventista del Plata*

**F**rom its first day of classes in 1898, singing was taught at the school that is now known as River Plate Adventist University. That tradition in singing continues today with noted choral groups that are often invited to sing at important events in Argentina and in its prestigious concert halls.

**T**he first band was organized in 1930. For the next fifty years its growth and success was uneven until Jack Boyson arrived in 1979. Over 120 students now participate in three bands. The school also has an orchestra and a handbell choir. The latter was formed five in 1991 and has been

invited to perform on Argentina's national television networks.

RPAU presently offers a music education tertiary degree. They are hoping to offer a university degree in the near future. There are 450 music students who participate in the music program.

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