

Master of Music: Music Education

Program Guidelines

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Music Education students will choose either the Project Option or the Thesis Option. All students will take the required Academic Courses.

Project Option (24 hours)		Credit Hrs
MUSC 6770 MUSC 6975	Research in Music Education Music Education Project	3 6
Music Electives	Choose six credits of graduate music courses	6
Music Education Electives Musc 6700 Musc 6710 Musc 6720 Musc 6730 Musc 6740 Musc 6780 Musc 6790 Musc 6850 Musc 6850 Musc 6860 Musc 6870 Musc 6880	Choose three courses from the following: Advanced Choral Methods Advanced Instrumental Methods History and Philosophy of Music Education Musical Development and Learning Psychology of Music Assessment in the Arts Seminar in Music Education (Special Topics) Instrumental Conducting Seminar Choral Conducting Seminar Seminar in Instrumental Literature and Resources Seminar in Choral Literature and Resources	9
Thesis Option (24 hours)		
MUSC 6720 MUSC 6770 MUSC 6970	History and Philosophy of Music Education Research in Music Education Thesis Research	3 3 6
Music Electives	Choose three credits of graduate music courses	3
Music Education Electives Musc 6700 Musc 6710 Musc 6730 Musc 6740 Musc 6780 Musc 6790 Musc 6850 Musc 6860 Musc 6870 Musc 6880	Choose three courses from the following: Advanced Choral Methods Advanced Instrumental Methods Musical Development and Learning Psychology of Music Assessment in the Arts Seminar in Music Education (Special Topics) Instrumental Conducting Seminar Choral Conducting Seminar Seminar in Instrumental Literature and Resources Seminar in Choral Literature and Resources	9

Academic Courses (8 hours)

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	Total Credit Hours	32
MUSC 7510	Theory Pedagogy	
MUSC 6580	Special Topics in Music Theory (with instructor consent)	
MUSC 6536	History of Western Music Theory	
MUSC 6520	20 th /21 st Century Analysis I	
MUSC 6550	Advanced Formal Procedures of the 18 th /19 th Centuries I	
Music Theory	Choose one course from the following:	3
	6801, 6802, 6803, 6804, 6890)	
	or Research Seminars with permission of instructor (MUSC 6800,	
MUSC 6680	Opera Literature	
MUSC 6670	Symphonic Literature	
MUSC 6660	Music Literature: American Music	
MUSC 6650	Music Literature: 1900-Present	
MUSC 6640	Music Literature: Romantic	
MUSC 6630	Music Literature: Classical	
MUSC 6620	Music Literature: Baroque	
MUSC 6610	Music Literature: Renaissance	
Musicology	Choose one course from the following:	3
MUSC 6010	Music Bibliography	2
Bibliography		

Acceptance into the Master of Music in Music Education

To be considered for admission to the MM in Music Education, applicants must meet the following minimum requirements:

- 1. Hold a Bachelor's degree in music from an accredited institution.
- 2. Have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 in all previous collegiate work.
- 3. Have teacher certification in music from Utah or any other state, OR be accepted into the music teacher certification program at the University of Utah.
- 4. Score an 85 or higher on the TOEFL iBT (international applicants only).

Complete the following steps to apply to the MM:

- 1. Submit the online Graduate Admissions application. As part of this application MM applicants need to upload:
 - a. Transcripts of course work from all schools attended.
 - b. Three letters of recommendation from professors, employers, and/or other professionals qualified to judge the applicant's ability to successfully complete doctoral studies.
 - c. Statement of Purpose, including future goals.
 - d. An academic writing sample.
 - e. TOEFL score, if applicable.
- 2. Submit to the School of Music a DVD recording of your teaching in any setting (10-20 minutes in length).

Note: Applicant's application will be reviewed by a committee of faculty members within the music education area.

Graduate Placement Exams

Placement examinations in Music History and Music Theory are taken after the student has been accepted by Graduate Admissions. Preparation materials are available on the School of Music website. Placement examinations must be taken prior to registering for Music History and Music Theory courses.

Results of graduate placement exams determine placement in graduate courses and identify areas in which remedial work may be necessary. Students are encouraged to study diligently for these examinations. Poor performance could result in the student being required to take a considerable number of remedial courses. Students recommended for remedial courses must earn a B- or better in recommended courses before advancing to a higher-level course.

Music History: The graduate Music History diagnostic examination covers the breadth of Western art music from the medieval period to the present through a variety of questions evaluating the student's knowledge of important composers, works, terms, and concepts.

Music Theory: The graduate Music Theory placement examination assesses the student's competence in harmony, voice leading, counterpoint, form, and instrumentation.

Appointment of Supervisory Committee

Members of the Supervisory Committee consult with the student in planning their degree program and research; they also administer the project/thesis defense. It is the responsibility of the student to approach faculty to request that they serve on the Supervisory Committee. Students should submit the *Request for Supervisory Committee* form to the Academic Coordinator. The Graduate Studies Committee votes on and approves Supervisory Committees.

The student's project/thesis supervisor serves as the Chair of the Supervisory Committee. MM Supervisory Committees consist of three faculty members, the majority of whom must be tenure-line faculty in the School of Music. The Supervisory Committee is customarily chosen during the first year of study.

Project/Thesis Defense

Upon completion of the project/thesis, MM candidates will complete a project or thesis defense conducted by their Supervisory Committee. All defenses must be held before the last day of classes in the Fall and Spring semesters. Defenses are not to be held during Final Exam or Reading Days or during Summer semester.

A copy of the thesis must be distributed to the Supervisory Committee at least a month prior to the defense; the thesis advisor must approve the thesis prior to distribution. Thesis defenses must be held in a neutral location and are open to the public.