MUSIC EDUCATION, MME

for the degree of Master of Music Education in Music Education

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overview of grad college admissions & requirements: https://grad.illinois.edu/admissions/apply

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department faculty: Music Faculty (https://music.illinois.edu/people/)
college website: https://faa.illinois.edu/
department office: School of Music, 2040 Music Building, 1114 West Nevada Street, Urbana, IL 61801
phone: (217) 333-3459

The Master of Music Education degree program is designed to meet the needs and interests of individuals who are already certified to teach music and who seek to continue their careers as public school music educators or music administrators. It is also possible to structure a program that will enable individuals interested in seeking careers in education-related fields or as a step in preparation for eventual college teaching.

Although prior teaching experience is not a requirement for entrance into this degree program, graduate study will be more meaningful if teaching experience in the field has first been gained. Therefore, individuals considering pursuit of the MME are urged to plan to teach one to three years prior to initial enrollment or before completing the degree. Students interested in gaining certification to teach music as part of the MME should refer to the MME+certification website for information about the MME+Certification Program.

Graduate Degree Programs in Music

Music, MMUS (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/)
concentrations:
- Choral Music (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/choral-music/)
- Instrumental Conducting - Band (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/instrumental-conducting-band/)
- Instrumental Conducting - Orchestra (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/instrumental-conducting-orchestra/)
- Jazz Performance (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/jazz-performance/)
- Music Composition (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/music-composition/)
- Music Theory (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/music-theory/)
- Musicology (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/musicology/)
- Performance & Literature (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/performance-literature/)
- Piano Pedagogy (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/piano-pedagogy/)
- Vocal Coaching & Accompanying (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-mmus/vocal-coaching-accompanying/)

Music, DMA (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/)
concentrations:
- Choral Music (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/choral-music/)
- Instrumental Conducting - Orchestra (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/instrumental-conducting-orchestra/)
- Instrumental Conducting – Wind Band (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/instrumental-conducting-wind-band/)
- Jazz Performance (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/jazz-performance/)
- Music Composition (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/music-composition/)
- Performance & Literature (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/performance-literature/)
- Vocal Coaching & Accompanying (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-dma/vocal-coaching-accompanying/)

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Music Education, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/music-education-phd/)
Musicology, PhD (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/faa/musicology-phd/)
concentration:
- Medieval Studies (http://catalog.illinois.edu/graduate/las/concentration/medieval-studies/)

The School of Music has been an accredited member of the National Association of Schools of Music since 1933.

Admission

For all degree programs, consult the admission requirements stated on the School of Music’s website: https://music.illinois.edu/prospective-students (https://music.illinois.edu/prospective-students/).

Requirements for admission to the Master of Music (MM) programs are a Bachelor of Music degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-
Applicants to the MM and the Artist Diploma (AD) whose native language is not English must present an iBT score of 79 for admission to the Artist Diploma (AD), 90 for the Master of Music (MM), excluding Musicology; MM in Musicology requires an iBT score of 96. A TOEFL iBT of 103 or higher is required for Full Status Admission to the University of Illinois Graduate College and School of Music. For the full English proficiency requirements, please see: https://music.illinois.edu/english-proficiency-requirement/. Fall admission only; other terms of entry by departmental petition approval only.

Requirements for admission to the Master of Music in Education (MME) are:

1. Undergraduate degree in music education from an accredited institution;
2. An overall grade average for the last 60 credit hours of undergraduate work of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale). The grade average for Music Education and Education courses, when averaged separately, must also be at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale);
3. Recommendations from three individuals who can discuss the applicant’s musicianship, ability to undertake graduate level study, and teaching ability/potential;
4. The Graduate Record Exam (GRE) is not required for application to the MME, nor do MME students take placement tests in music theory or music history.

For MME applicants with public school experience:

1. recommendation from a principal or supervisor who speaks primarily to the quality of the applicants teaching experience;
2. recommendation from an individual who speaks primarily to the quality of the applicant’s musicianship;
3. recommendation from an individual who speaks primarily to the applicants potential for completion of graduate-level study;
4. applicants who wish to be considered for a Teaching Assistantship should ensure that at least one of their references provides specific comments on their potential to engage in university-level teaching duties associated with such an appointment.

Applicants to the DMA or PhD whose native language is not English must submit an iBT score of 96. A TOEFL iBT of 103 or higher is required for Full Status Admission to the University of Illinois Graduate College and School of Music. For the full English proficiency requirements please see: https://music.illinois.edu/english-proficiency-requirement/.

For information about admission to the MME and PhD in Music Education, please visit www.music.illinois.edu/.

Language Requirements

For the Master of Music program, applicants in voice and vocal accompanying and coaching are required to have had at least one year each of college-level French, German, and Italian or the equivalent. Applicants in other applied music areas, composition, conducting, and

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Musicology are required to have had one year of any language at the college level or the equivalent.

All Doctor of Musical Arts candidates will be required to demonstrate proficiency in at least one language other than English. Each area may specify which language is required or may require proficiency in more than one language. Please review the current Graduate Music Handbook (https://music.illinois.edu/graduate-handbooks/) for more details.

Proficiency is required in two languages, depending on the proposed field of specialization, for candidates in the Doctor of Philosophy in Musicology program. This may be demonstrated through two years of undergraduate study in each language.

For all Graduate Degrees:

For those students who do not meet the language requirement at the time of entrance, it may be satisfied by evidence of two years of undergraduate study or the equivalent, or by completion of a two-semester or by satisfactory test scores. For up-to-date information regarding the language requirements of the School of Music, please see the Graduate Music Handbook (https://music.illinois.edu/graduate-handbooks/).

Graduate Teaching Experience

Although teaching is not a general Graduate College requirement, experience in teaching is considered an important part of the graduate experience.

Financial Aid

Fellowships, teaching, graduate, and research assistantships are awarded on a one-year basis with continuation dependent upon success in the program. Specific information on application procedures is available from the Music Admissions Office, (217) 244-7899; musicadmissions@illinois.edu.

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1 For additional details and requirements refer to the department's Graduate Handbook (https://music.illinois.edu/graduate-handbooks/) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook/).

New Footnote

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