MASTER OF MUSIC EDUCATION

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.

MUS 532 Global Perspectives on Mus Ed 4
MUS 533 Research in Music Education 4
Music Education Electives (any 400 or 500-level music education course) 6-8
EPSY, EPS or C&I (Educational Psychology, Educational Policy or Curriculum & Instruction) 4
Music (Music Theory, Musicology/Ethnomusicology, Conducting and Literature, Applied Study (4 cr. max), Ensemble (1 cr. max) 10
Choose 1 Capstone Option: 2-4
- Capstone Option I: MUS 569 - Capstone Project Synthesis (2 credits)
- Capstone Option II: MUS 599 - Thesis (4 credits)

Total Hours 32

Other Requirements ¹

Other requirements may overlap

Minimum Hours Required Within the Unit: 14
Minimum 500-level Hours Required Overall: 12
Minimum GPA: 3.0

¹ For additional details and requirements refer to the department’s Graduate Handbook (http://publish.illinois.edu/musicresources/academic-handbooks) and the Graduate College Handbook (http://www.grad.illinois.edu/gradhandbook).