MUSIC EDUCATION, BME

for the degree of Bachelor of Music Education Major in Music Education

department website: https://music.illinois.edu
department faculty: Music Faculty (https://music.illinois.edu/people)
college catalog page: Fine & Applied Arts (http://catalog.illinois.edu/faa)
college website: https://www.faa.illinois.edu/

Students pursuing this major select one of four concentrations:

• Choral Music Concentration (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/music-education-bme/choral-music)
• Elementary General Music Concentration (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/music-education-bme/elementary-general-music)
• Instrumental Music Concentration (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/music-education-bme/instrumental-music)
• Technology Concentration (http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/faa/music-education-bme/technology)

A minimum of 130 hours of credit is required for graduation. This curriculum prepares its graduates for teaching music in grades kindergarten through twelve. For teacher education requirements applicable to all curricula, see the Council on Teacher Education (https://cte-s.education.illinois.edu/dotnet/webpages/webpage.aspx). Students complete a concentration in instrumental (band or strings), choral, technology, or general music education.

In order to be recommended for licensure, candidates are required to maintain a UIUC cumulative grade-point average of 2.5, content area (music courses) GPA of 2.75, and professional education course GPA of 3.0 (A=4.0). Candidates should consult the music education handbook, their advisor, or the Council on Teacher Education for a listing of courses used to compute these grade-point averages.

Illinois state law requires passing the Illinois Certification Test System Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP), or submit a composite ACT+Writing score of 22 (plus a combined English/Writing score of at least 19 for tests prior to September 2015; or ACT writing score of at least 16 for tests taken September 2016 or after), or a composite SAT (mathematics and critical reading) score of 1030 (SAT Writing score of at least 450) before student teaching. All music education students must earn a grade of C- or better in all music and education courses required for licensure.