



Mead Witter School of Music

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

MUSIC EDUCATION

This document contains the admission requirements for the Music Education area. Please refer to the “Graduate Application Guide” for detailed instructions about the application process and general requirements for admission to the School of Music.

EXPERIENCE

Applicants for the Master of Music degree must have an undergraduate degree in Music Education (closely related areas will be considered) and some experience as a professional educator in preK-12 and/or community music education settings, or else obtain the consent of the Music Education area faculty before applying.

PROGRAM MODELS

The 34-credit Music Education degree may be completed in two different timelines:

- **4-semester “Academic Year” MM program**
Apply for the Fall 2027 term. Enroll in four consecutive fall/spring terms and complete the degree in two academic years (2027-28, 2028-29), taking a minimum of 8-9 credits per semester. Finish your Master’s thesis project and graduate in May 2029. A limited number of TA and Fellowship opportunities will be available on a competitive basis. Students in the “Academic Year” program may also take advantage of summer course options, depending on seat capacity.
- **3-semester “Summer” MM program**
Apply for the Summer 2027 term. Enroll only in the summer terms and complete the degree in 3 summers (2027, 2028, 2029), taking a maximum of 12 credits per summer. Finish your Master’s thesis project and graduate in August 2029.

IMPORTANT: Due to the nature of School of Music graduate funding, there are currently no TA or Fellowship opportunities associated with the summer program. Students will be expected to self-fund.

Contact the Music Education faculty to discuss your interest in these program options and which one is the best fit for you: <https://music.wisc.edu/music-education/>

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