

Music-Master's

Program and Application Information

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Application Deadline:	International applications are due May 1 for fall semester and August 1 for spring and summer semesters. Domestic applicants should apply at least one month prior to the start of classes.
Degrees Offered:	M.M., D.M.A.
English Proficiency Requirements:	TOEFL iBT 71; IELTS 6

Graduate Degrees

Graduate degrees (the Master of Music and the Doctor of Musical Arts) are offered in performance, conducting and music education.

The Master of Music Degree (M.M.)

Three tracks are offered: Performance, Conducting and Music Education. The Performance, Choral Conducting and Instrumental Conducting tracks require a minimum of 30 credits; the Music Education track requires a minimum of 32 credits.

The M.M. in performance and conducting is the professional degree in music designed for performers and conductors wishing to augment and refine their skills. The M.M. in Music Education is designed for music teachers who wish to update and increase their practical pedagogical knowledge.

Applications may be completed online at www.ndsu.edu/gradschool. A complete application will include three recommendations, transcripts and a scholarly writing example. Applicants should notify the graduate music coordinator, jo.miller@ndsu.edu, (jo.miller@ndsu.edu) of their intention to apply. For applicants in performance and conducting, an on-campus visit and audition are required. Following acceptance into the masters program, applicants will complete a diagnostic exam, which will be used by their advisors to plan appropriate coursework.

All coursework must be passed with a minimum grade of B. Comprehensive written examinations in the student's primary area and in music academic studies must be passed near the end of or after coursework. The final oral examination (administered by the student's committee) occurs after the written comprehensive exam.

Conductors and performers will prepare a recital as their capstone experience. Those in the music education track will complete a written practicum. Both experiences will be planned with guidance by the candidate's committee. The committee will include three graduate faculty members: the advisor, a representative from music academic studies, and at least one other music faculty member.

Master of Music in Music Education Degree

This degree is designed to be completed in three summers or in a combination of summers and the academic year. Students must register for a least six credits per calendar year until all degree requirements are completed. Classes are offered both online and on campus. Course-work can be focused in elementary, choral/vocal, or instrumental music education. No thesis is required; rather, students will complete a four-credit practicum. The practicum will be agreed upon and planned jointly by the student and his/her advisor. Comprehensive written examinations must be passed near the end of or after coursework. The final oral examination (administered by the student's committee) occurs after the written comprehensive examination.

Doctor of Musical Arts (D.M.A.)

The D.M.A. is the terminal professional practical degree in music, designed for performers and conductors wishing to acquire the highest performance abilities. Graduates will have attained the academic qualifications generally accepted for teaching at the college level.

Entering students in the vocal performance track are expected to have appropriate language proficiencies in French, German, and Italian. Remedial work may be required upon recommendation of the adviser and committee.

Recitals and a final written project are planned in conjunction with the candidate's committee, which consists of at least three graduate faculty members: the adviser, a representative from academic studies, and at least one other member at large.

All course work must be passed with a minimum grade of B. Qualifying examinations in the student's primary focus area and in academic studies must be passed near the end of or after course work, and prior to a final oral examination by members of the candidate's committee. All D.M.A. graduates must have reading proficiency in at least one foreign language. For some, an alternative such as a computer language or other research skill, if

appropriate to the student's focus area, may be substituted. This proficiency will be determined and assessed by the candidate's committee. Further, students in Choral Conducting must demonstrate appropriate proficiency in foreign language diction.

Two tracks are offered: Performance and Conducting. Each track requires a minimum of 90 credits beyond the baccalaureate degree (93 for the D.M.A. in choral conducting). Students entering the program with an approved master's degree or its equivalent may apply credits toward the D.M.A. The graduate music faculty will determine the viability and number of transfer credits.

Master of Music in Music Education Degree

Music Education Core		9
MUSC 701	Psychology Of Music	
MUSC 703	Foundations of Music Education	
MUSC 790	Graduate Seminar	
Music Core		10
MUSC 702	Graduate Theory Survey	
MUSC 704	Graduate Music History Survey	
MUSC 731	Applied Study	
Music Electives		9
MUSC 713	Advanced Choral Music Methods	
MUSC 714	Advanced Elementary Music Methods	
MUSC 715	History of Choral Literature	
MUSC 765	Band Literature:History and Development	
MUSC 766	Band Literature:Chamber Music,Other Genres	
Other Music History, Theory, Literature or Pedagogy (to be determined with adviser)		9
MUSC 794	Practicum	4

Master of Music in Instrumental Performance

MUSC 709	Graduate Ensemble	1
MUSC 722	Applied Instrumental Pedagogy	1-3
MUSC 731	Applied Study	1-4
MUSC 748	Music Bibliography/Research Methods	2
MUSC 764	Applied Instrumental Literature	1-3
MUSC 780	Recital	2-4
Theory		3
MUSC 611	Form and Analysis	
MUSC 630	Counterpoint	
MUSC 631	Contemporary Harmonic Techniques	
MUSC 734	Analytical Techniques	
History		3
MUSC 740	Medieval/Renaissance Music History	
MUSC 741	Baroque Music History	
MUSC 742	Classical Music History	
MUSC 743	Romantic Music History	
MUSC 744	20th Century Music History	
Electives (in consultation with adviser)		1-2
Minimum Total Credits		30

Master of Music in Piano Performance

MUSC 709	Graduate Ensemble	1
MUSC 722	Applied Instrumental Pedagogy	1-3
MUSC 748	Music Bibliography/Research Methods	2
MUSC 780	Recital	2-4

One course to be taken from each of the following areas:

Literature		
MUSC 643	Keyboard Literature	
MUSC 770	Topics in Keyboard Literature	
Pedagogy		
MUSC 623	Piano Pedagogy I	
MUSC 624	Piano Pedagogy II	
MUSC 723	Advanced Piano Pedagogy	
MUSC 724	Topics in Piano Pedagogy	
Theory		3
MUSC 611	Form and Analysis	
MUSC 630	Counterpoint	
MUSC 631	Contemporary Harmonic Techniques	
MUSC 734	Analytical Techniques	
History		3
MUSC 740	Medieval/Renaissance Music History	
MUSC 741	Baroque Music History	
MUSC 742	Classical Music History	
MUSC 743	Romantic Music History	
MUSC 744	20th Century Music History	
Electives (in consultation with adviser)		1-2
Minimum Total Credits		30

Master of Music in Collaborative Piano

Pending approval by the National Association of Schools of Music in November, 2015.

MUSC 705	Graduate Diction Survey	3
MUSC 731	Applied Study	1-4
MUSC 732	Applied Collaborative Study	1-4
MUSC 748	Music Bibliography/Research Methods	2
MUSC 750	Studies in Collaborative Piano	2
MUSC 764	Applied Instrumental Literature	1-3
MUSC 780	Recital (2,2)	2-4
One course to be taken from each of the following areas:		
Theory		3
MUSC 611	Form and Analysis	
MUSC 630	Counterpoint	
MUSC 631	Contemporary Harmonic Techniques	
MUSC 734	Analytical Techniques	
History		3
MUSC 740	Medieval/Renaissance Music History	
MUSC 741	Baroque Music History	
MUSC 742	Classical Music History	
MUSC 743	Romantic Music History	
MUSC 744	20th Century Music History	
Total Credits		31

Master of Music in Vocal Performance

MUSC 709	Graduate Ensemble	1
MUSC 721	Advanced Vocal Pedagogy	3
MUSC 731	Applied Study	1-4

MUSC 748	Music Bibliography/Research Methods	2
MUSC 780	Recital (2,2)	2-4
One course to be taken from each of the following areas:		
Theory		3
MUSC 611	Form and Analysis	
MUSC 630	Counterpoint	
MUSC 631	Contemporary Harmonic Techniques	
MUSC 734	Analytical Techniques	
History		3
MUSC 740	Medieval/Renaissance Music History	
MUSC 741	Baroque Music History	
MUSC 742	Classical Music History	
MUSC 743	Romantic Music History	
MUSC 744	20th Century Music History	
Literature		
MUSC 767	Vocal Literature I-Baroque/Classical	3
MUSC 768	Vocal Literature II-Romantic	3
MUSC 769	Vocal Literature III-20Th Century/Contemporary	3
Electives (in consultation with adviser)		
Minimum Total Credits		30

Master of Music in Choral Conducting

MUSC 731	Applied Study	1-4
MUSC 748	Music Bibliography/Research Methods	2
MUSC 780	Recital (2,2)	2-4
Theory (One course)		3
MUSC 611	Form and Analysis	
MUSC 630	Counterpoint	
MUSC 631	Contemporary Harmonic Techniques	
MUSC 734	Analytical Techniques	
History (One course)		3
MUSC 740	Medieval/Renaissance Music History	
MUSC 741	Baroque Music History	
MUSC 742	Classical Music History	
MUSC 743	Romantic Music History	
MUSC 744	20th Century Music History	
Literature (Two courses)		6
MUSC 760	Medieval/Renaissance Choral Literature	
MUSC 761	Baroque Choral Literature	
MUSC 762	Classical/Romantic Choral Literature	
MUSC 763	Contemporary Choral Literature	
MUSC 709	Graduate Ensemble	1
MUSC 721	Advanced Vocal Pedagogy	3
Minimum Total Credits		30

Master of Music in Instrumental Conducting

MUSC 731	Applied Study	1-4
MUSC 748	Music Bibliography/Research Methods	2
MUSC 780	Recital (2,2)	2-4
Theory (One course)		3

MUSC 611	Form and Analysis	
MUSC 630	Counterpoint	
MUSC 631	Contemporary Harmonic Techniques	
MUSC 734	Analytical Techniques	
History (One course)		3
MUSC 740	Medieval/Renaissance Music History	
MUSC 741	Baroque Music History	
MUSC 742	Classical Music History	
MUSC 743	Romantic Music History	
MUSC 744	20th Century Music History	
Literature		6
MUSC 765	Band Literature:History and Development	
MUSC 766	Band Literature:Chamber Music,Other Genres	
MUSC 709	Graduate Ensemble (1,1)	
MUSC 731	Applied Study	
Minimum Total Credits		30

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