

Music Education

Department Information

- **Department Web Site:**
www.ndsu.edu/performingarts/music/ (<http://www.ndsu.edu/performingarts/music/>)
- **Credential Offered:**
B.Mus.; Minor
- **Official Program Curriculum:**
catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/music-education/ (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/undergraduate/program-curriculum/music-education/>)

The **Bachelor of Music in Music Education** (B.Mus.) includes licensure requirements for teacher candidates to teach music in North Dakota's public schools. Teacher candidates will be certified to teach K-12 after completing all requirements from the music education curriculum. Though the degree contains comprehensive preparation, students generally elect a principal area in either instrumental or voice/choral.

Licensure in Music Education

Teacher candidates must complete the School of Education (<https://www.ndsu.edu/education/>) requirements, complete the common core music requirements, complete either the vocal or instrumental emphasis and pass a piano proficiency examination prior to student teaching. Piano credit requirements may be waived in whole or in part upon successful completion of the piano proficiency examinations. Specific general education requirements, School of Education requirements, and other information may be obtained from the Division of Performing Arts (<https://www.ndsu.edu/performingarts/>) office.

Ensembles

The NDSU Challey School of Music sponsors a large variety of ensembles including the NDSU Wind Symphony, Concert Choir, University Symphony Orchestra, Madrigal Singers, two large Jazz Ensembles, Jazz Combos, the Gold Star Marching Band, Brass Ensemble, University Chamber Singers, NDSU Statesmen, Cantemus, University Band, Bison Pep Bands, NDSU Opera Theatre, and chamber ensembles in typical instrumental and vocal combinations. The Concert Choir, Wind Symphony, Jazz Ensemble, Madrigal Singers and several other groups have touring programs, some of which are national or international in scope. Participation in these ensembles is open to all students, some by audition and some as open-enrollment ensembles.

Music Curricula

Requirements are grouped by degree. Please refer also to graduation requirements listed in the Academic Policies (<http://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2024-25/academic-policies/>) section of this publication. The information in this Bulletin may be superseded by information updated regularly and provided by the Challey School of Music.