Prospective Student

Admission requirements for the MM in Music Education degree program

Full admission for the Master of Music Education degree program requires:

- An undergraduate degree in music (Bachelor of Music Education; Bachelor of Music; Bachelor of Science; or Bachelor of Arts);
- A 3.00 grade point average on a 4.00 scale;
- Satisfactory scores on the Graduate Record Examination;
  Submit an official GRE score that is no more than 5 years old. We do not have a “minimum” score requirement; candidates with GRE score (1100 old test; 152 V and 152 Q new test) are encouraged to apply. Significant preparation, ideally two months of studying, is encouraged for GRE exam. Testing information can be found here: GRE: http://www.ets.org/gre
- Three (3) letters of recommendation.
- Satisfactory interview/audition;
- A letter of intent/ and Writing sample
- Pass on the Graduate Entrance Examinations in Music Education, Music Theory, and Music History

Additionally, the student must complete a personal audition which must be scheduled and planned in consultation with the Graduate Coordinator. All incoming graduate students are required to take entrance examinations in music history and music theory. Graduate students who waive their right to take the Graduate Placement Exams are required to complete a departmental graduate placement exam waiver. By completing this form, the graduate student will be enrolled in MUS 560 General History of Music and MUS 540 Theory Review courses for the current semester.

Conditional Admission
An applicant whose credentials do not meet the stated requirements may be considered for conditional admission if the following minimum requirement is satisfied: A quality point average of at least 2.6 overall and a GRE score acceptable
to the Department. In addition, the student must also pass ENG500 course Applications being considered for conditional admission are placed in a pool and reviewed periodically (usually every semester). This review results in admission, denial, or continued holding in the pool. A graduate student admitted conditionally removes the condition by making an average of "B" or better for the first 6 semester hours of graduate-level work completed, and by satisfying any other conditions specified by the School at the time of admission. If the 6 hours are completed in a term in which the total credits exceed 6, the evaluation is made on the basis of all graduate-level work completed at the end of that term of enrollment. Failure to remove the condition within the first semester of graduate work will result in the student's being dropped from the program. A student who satisfies the condition automatically assumes the status of a regularly admitted graduate student.

Audition Information
In addition to the materials required on the Graduate Application, applicants for the MME should submit GRE General Test Scores. All graduate music education applicants must provide an entrance essay, a ten-minute video recording which demonstrates proficiency in teaching, plus a short video or audio recording which demonstrates proficiency as a soloist or conductor; (website, HTML, or DVD are acceptable).

Applicants are asked to write an essay of three to five pages or provide a writing sample of similar length. The purpose of this essay is to assess your ability to organize your thoughts and to express them clearly in writing. Please describe in the essay your previous background in music and music education, with particular emphasis on your teaching experience. Include in your essay a discussion of what you hope to accomplish in your graduate study and your long-term career goals. Your essay must be submitted with your application.

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