

USF School of Music
Ph.D. in Music, concentration in Music Education (DMS-MDE) (updated: March 23, 2024)

RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT: Minimum one academic year of full-time study.

ASSISTANTSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS (no separate application): \$10,000 to \$37,000 per year plus tuition waivers. Preferred application deadline for fellowship considerations: December 31 for the following Fall admission.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Official Application to the USF Graduate School for the Ph.D. Program in Music (code DMS) with a concentration in Music Education (code MDE) in Music (code MUS) in CVPA (code FA).
2. Master's degree from an accredited institution. Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts must be received at the same time as the application for admission. Credits to be considered for transfer to this degree program, which are reflected on other transcripts besides the degree bearing transcripts, must also be sent for consideration by the faculty.
3. Minimum GPA of 3.0 for upper division of undergraduate degree (all credits beyond the first 60), and minimum GPA of 3.5 for master's degree.
4. The GRE General Test must be taken and results must be delivered to Graduate Studies in the School of Music as part of the admission application process.
5. Minimum of two years of teaching experience in elementary and/or secondary school(s), or the equivalent.
6. Successful interview with the music education faculty, either in person or by other arrangement. Prior to the interview, the following must be reviewed by the music education faculty:
 - a. At least three letters of recommendation from people qualified to speak on behalf of the applicant's academic and professional capabilities.
 - b. Sample of the applicant's best academic writing.
 - c. Curriculum vitae.
 - d. Link to a 15-20 minute video recording of the applicant teaching music.
 - e. Personal goal statement, including research interests.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Specialization (24 hours)*

MUE 7746 Measurement and Evaluation in Music	3
MUE 7748 Creativity Conceptions	3
MUE 7786 Qualitative Methods in Music Education	3
MUE 7815 Social Psychology of Music	3
MUE 7816 Music Cognition	3
MUE 7835 Philosophical and Historical Issues in Music Education	3
MUE 7935 Seminar on Music in Higher Education	2
MUE 7939 Seminar in Music Education Research (4 semesters: 1+1+1+1)	4

*MUE 7937 Special Topics in Music Education (2-3) or MUE 6906 Independent Study (3) may replace no more than two of the following: MUE 7746, MUE 7748, MUE 7786, MUE 7815, MUE 7816, MUE 7835, or MUE 7935.

Cognate (9 hours):

Choice of graduate courses in music (normally outside of music education) and/or from fields related to music and/or education. All cognate courses are to be associated with a particular topic approved by the advisor9

Statistics and Research Design (9 hours)

MUE 7825 Statistics for Music Educators I	3
MUE 7826 Statistics for Music Educators II	3
EDF 7410 Design of Systematic Studies in Education	3

Dissertation (18 hours)

MUE 7980 Dissertation (variable credit hours per semester)18
Prerequisite: Comprehensive Qualifying Examination

TOTAL HOURS BEYOND THE MASTER'S DEGREE60