

# Bachelor of Music Education

The Bachelor of Music Education degree provides comprehensive music and professional training aimed toward teaching K-12 music in public or private schools. Music education study encourages the formation of school music teachers who will be agents of change, employing effective instructional strategies while imparting a broad scope of musical practice and cultural distinctiveness. This degree program meets the requirements for an Initial Special (K-12) or Initial Elementary (K-9) and Initial Secondary (6-12) Certification in the State of Illinois. Minor program changes may occur due to state requirements. Reciprocal certification is possible in many states.

## General Education

Biblical and Theological Studies	8 hours ( <a href="#">BITH 111</a> , <a href="#">212</a> , <a href="#">214</a> , <a href="#">316</a> )
Oral Communication	2 hours ( <a href="#">COMM 101</a> or <a href="#">252</a> )
Writing	4 hours ( <a href="#">ENGW 103</a> )
English Literature	2 hours (Any except <a href="#">ENGL 326</a> , <a href="#">327</a> )
Foreign Language	4 hours
Humanities	2 hours ( <a href="#">ART 101</a> or <a href="#">PHIL 216</a> )
American History	4 hours ( <a href="#">HIST 351</a> or <a href="#">352</a> )
Social Science	4 hours ( <a href="#">Choose from Gen. Ed. Social Science courses</a> )
Mathematics	2 hours (See <a href="#">Quantitative Skills Competency</a> )
Natural Science	6 hours (One laboratory course and <a href="#">PHYS 205</a> )
Applied Health Science	3 hours ( <a href="#">AHS 101</a> ; one course from <a href="#">AHS 105-174</a> )

## Music Theory & Composition (MUTC)

Music Theory 1-3	9 hours ( <a href="#">MUTC 151</a> , <a href="#">171</a> , <a href="#">251</a> )
Aural Skills 1-5	5 hours ( <a href="#">MUTC 152</a> , <a href="#">172</a> , <a href="#">252</a> , <a href="#">272</a> , <a href="#">352</a> )

## Context Studies (MUCS)

[Choose Option 1 or 2]

### OPTION 1:

Survey of Western Music I	4 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 265</a> )
Survey of Western Music II	4 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 345</a> )
World Music	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 264</a> )
Senior Capstone	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 494</a> )
MUCS Electives (Choose 2 hours from)	
Music Before 1600	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 261</a> )
Baroque & Classical Music	4 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 262</a> )
Nineteenth-Century Music	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 263</a> )
American Music	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 355</a> )
Jazz History	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 356</a> )
Twentieth-Century Music	4 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 361</a> )

### OPTION 2:

Baroque and Classical Music	4 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 262</a> )
Nineteenth-Century Music	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 263</a> )
World Music	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 264</a> )
Twentieth-Century Music	4 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 361</a> )
Senior Capstone	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUCS 494</a> )

**Methods Studies (MUMS)****25 hours**

Introduction to Music Technology	2 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 115</a> )
Basic Conducting	3 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 248</a> )
Choral Conducting	3 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 311</a> )
Instrumental Conducting	3 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 312</a> )
Instrumental Techniques	7 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 341:1-7</a> )
Vocal Techniques	1 hour ( <a href="#">MUMS 342</a> )
Elementary School Music/Practicum	3 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 473</a> , <a href="#">473L</a> )
Choose one (3 hours):	
Choral Methods/Practicum	3 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 471</a> , <a href="#">471L</a> )
Instrumental Methods/Practicum	3 hours ( <a href="#">MUMS 472</a> , <a href="#">472L</a> )

**Professional Education (EDUC)****26 hours**

School and Society	4 hours ( <a href="#">EDUC 125</a> )
Learning & Development	4 hours ( <a href="#">EDUC 225</a> )
Teacher Aiding Practicum	1 hour ( <a href="#">EDUC 225L</a> )
Philosophical Foundations of Education	3 hours ( <a href="#">EDUC 426</a> )
Special Education and Practicum	3 hours ( <a href="#">EDUC 427</a> , <a href="#">427L</a> )
Senior Education Seminar	2 hours ( <a href="#">EDUC 494</a> )
Student Teaching	9 hours ( <a href="#">EDUC 496</a> )

**Individual Performance (MUIP)****16 hours**

Primary Instrument	16 hours ( <a href="#">MUIP 201-422</a> ) (2 hours may be met by piano or voice lessons to meet proficiency)
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**Ensemble Performance (MUEP)****4 hours ([MUEP 213-218](#))**

Large Ensemble  
Every semester, except student teaching semester, up to eight semesters

**Recital and Concert Attendance (MUEP) 0 hours ([MUEP 219](#))**

Every semester, except student teaching semester, up to eight semesters

**Additional Requirements**

ePortfolio  
Senior Recital  
Proficiency in piano and voice (credit may be earned in MUIP)  
Admission to WheTEP (Wheaton Teacher Education Program)  
Illinois Basic Skills Certification Exam  
Illinois Subject Area Exam  
Illinois Assessment of Professional Teaching Exam

**Total hours required for degree****140 hours**

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