

Music Education

Bachelor of Music Education

Program Description	Type	Degree
Music Education, B.M.E. (https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/artsandletters/music/bme-music-education/)	Degree	B.M.E.

Overview

The Bachelor of Music Education is a nine-semester degree program designed to prepare candidates to obtain a teaching credential certificate to teach vocal and instrumental music in elementary and secondary schools. Complete information on admission to the music program, applied music, course sequencing, senior recital, large and small ensemble requirements, and other departmental policies may be found in the Music Department Student/Faculty handbook, available upon request from the chair of the Music Department. Candidates should request advisors in the Music Department and in the College of Education.

Admission

All prospective music majors/minors and transfer students must contact the music department office prior to their first semester's registration to be assigned a departmental advisor and take diagnostic placement tests and performance auditions. Acceptance as a music major/minor is dependent upon auditions and these examinations. Examinations should be taken before or during the week preceding classwork.

Performance Auditions

These auditions will include technique demonstration and repertoire performance.

Theory Placement Exam

This exam will determine the specific semester of music theory to which a student will be assigned.

Piano Placement Exams

These tests serve to determine the specific semester and section of class piano or private instruction to which a student will be admitted. All music majors must complete the department's required piano proficiency to graduate. Credits in MUSC 1118, MUSC 1119, MUSC 2218, MUSC 2219, or MUSA 1120 may be used toward passing the piano proficiency. The student must register for piano or piano class each semester until passing the proficiency exam.

Special Graduation Requirements

1. An overall cumulative grade point average of 2.0 for all University courses is required for graduation. The Teaching and Educational Studies Department requires a Music Endorsement requirement GPA of 3.0 as a standard for graduation. An additional requirement is that a music major or minor must earn no less than a "C" grade in each music course. Furthermore, at least a "C" grade must be received to advance to another course for which the earlier course is a prerequisite, or to advance to the next level of a continuation course.
2. All Music majors must pass the department's Junior Standing Exam (usually taken at the end of the sophomore year) and register for, and pass, applied music lessons, a minimum of 2 semesters at the 3000 level, and 1-2 semesters at the 4000 level.

Music Department Handbook

A handbook is available online at <https://www.isu.edu/media/libraries/music/Departmental-Handbook.pdf>, which describes more completely the facilities, policies, course sequencing, and departmental operations. Prospective students and music majors/minors are urged to become familiar with its contents.