

MUSIC EDUCATION (M.A.) - MUSIC STUDIES

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2023 through summer 2024. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

This program is a non-licensure program. Refer to www.liberty.edu/advisingguide

Code	Title	Hours
Foundational Studies in Music Education		
MUSC 510	Foundations of Music Education	3
MUSC 524	Analytical Techniques ¹	3
MUSC 531	Bibliography and Research in Music Education	3
Total Hours		9

¹ Students must successfully complete the Graduate Music Theory Assessment or enroll in and successfully complete MUSC 522 Introduction to Music Theory (3 c.h.) as a prerequisite to MUSC 524 Analytical Techniques (3 c.h.)

Code	Title	Hours
Music Studies Concentration		
ETHM 511	Introduction to Ethnomusicology	3
MUSC 515	Graduate Conducting ¹	3
MUSC 525	Advanced Contemporary Arranging Techniques	3
MUSC 630	Principles of Music Technology	3
MUSC 650	Research in Music Education	3
WRSP 510	Biblical Foundations of Worship	3
Total Hours		18

¹ Students must successfully complete the Graduate Conducting Assessment or enroll in and successfully complete MUSC 514 Basic Conducting (3 c.h.) as a prerequisite to MUSC 515 Graduate Conducting (3 c.h.).

Code	Title	Hours
Music Education Studies Courses		
MUSC 620	Music in America	3
MUSC 640	History and Philosophy of Music Education in America	3
MUSC 670	Principles of Curricula and Pedagogy for Music Education	3
Total Hours		9

Code	Title	Hours
Research Studies Courses		
MUSC 689	Masters Thesis Proposal & Research	3
MUSC 692	Graduate Music Comprehensive Exam	0
Choose one of the following:		
MUSC 687	Music Education Curriculum Project ¹	
MUSC 690	Thesis ¹	

Code	Title	Hours
MUSC 691	Lecture Performance Recital ^{1,2}	
Total Hours		3

¹ Any student who will not be able to complete and defend his/her thesis, curriculum project or lecture recital in the course of a single semester may be required to repeat MUSC 689 Masters Thesis Proposal & Research (3 c.h.) each semester until deemed ready for enrollment in MUSC 687 Music Education Curriculum Project (3 c.h.), MUSC 690 Thesis (3 c.h.), or MUSC 691 Lecture Performance Recital (3 c.h.)

² Offered in Resident format only

All Applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 39 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Resident & Online Format

Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
MUSC 510	Foundations of Music Education	3
MUSC 531	Bibliography and Research in Music Education	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
MUSC 620	Music in America	3
MUSC 650	Research in Music Education	3
Hours		6
Second Year		
First Semester		
MUSC 515	Graduate Conducting ¹	3
MUSC 524	Analytical Techniques	3
MUSC 630	Principles of Music Technology	3
Hours		9
Second Semester		
MUSC 525	Advanced Contemporary Arranging Techniques	3
MUSC 670	Principles of Curricula and Pedagogy for Music Education	3
Hours		6

Course	Title	Hours
Third Year		
First Semester		
ETHM 511	Introduction to Ethnomusicology	3
MUSC 640	History and Philosophy of Music Education in America	3
Hours		6
Second Semester		
MUSC 689	Masters Thesis Proposal & Research	3
MUSC 692	Graduate Music Comprehensive Exam	0
WRSP 510	Biblical Foundations of Worship	3
Research Studies Elective ²		0
Hours		6
Total Hours		39

¹ Intensive optional

² Choose from MUSC 687, 690, or 691