STUDIES IN MUSIC EDUCATION

Purpose
Liberty University has long been an advocate for the inclusion of the arts in elementary and secondary education. Our music education degree demonstrates this commitment by providing praxis education experience at all levels of training in music theory, music technology, improvisational technique, arranging, vocal and instrumental pedagogy, and practice teaching. Additional attention is given to directed studies in Music History, Music in World Cultures (Ethnomusicology) and developmental psychology.

The Bachelor of Music in Music Education is intended for the student who plans to teach music in Christian, public, or private schools and who seeks licensure as a qualified music teacher by a state department of education. It is also appropriate for the student whose eventual goal is college teaching in fields related to music education. The program is designed to develop competent music professionals with a Christian worldview and skill to work in the educational domain.

Virginia Music Teacher Licensure
Teacher preparation and endorsement in choral or instrumental music is available in partnership with the School of Music, Department of Music Education, Department of Applied Music Studies, and the School of Education. The teacher licensure in music education programs are approved by the Council for the Accreditation of Education Preparation (CAEP), formerly known as the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Licensure information is also available at http://www.liberty.edu/uguide or www.liberty.edu/SOM.

The following options are available for Teacher Licensure Endorsement (PreK-12) in the Bachelor of Music degree:

- Instrumental Music concentration in Music Education
- Choral Music concentration in Music Education

A student not seeking teacher licensure may elect other courses to fulfill degree requirements. Graduates who are licensed in Virginia may obtain licensure in other states through reciprocity.

Programs
- Music Education Major (B.M.)
- Music Minors