



**Bachelor of Music Education**  
**Major: Music Education (Choral Emphasis)**  
**2024-2025 Sample 4-Year Plan**  
**Total Degree Requirements: 126**

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Advisor \_\_\_\_\_ Minimum GPA 2.7 Minor/Career Interest(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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**FIRST YEAR**

**Fall 2024**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
SGR #1	Written Communication	p. Placement, grade of C or better required	3		
SGR #5	Mathematics	p. Placement; Suggested MATH 103, grade of C or better required	3		
MUS 110-110L	Music Theory I and Aural Skills I		4		
MUS 119	First Year Seminar		2		
MUAP 1XX	Applied Lessons in Primary Area		1		
MUS 185	Recital Attendance	Concurrent enrollment with MUAP	0		
MUEN 1XX	Primary Ensemble		1		
MUAP 115	Beginner I Class Piano	Piano proficiency required. Complete 4 semesters of class piano or take a proficiency exam.	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15		

**Spring 2025**

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SGR #1	Written Communication	p. ENGL 101	3		
SGR #2	Oral Communication	Grade of C or better required	3		
PSYC 101 OR SOC 100	General Psychology OR Introduction to Sociology (SGR #3)		3		
MUS 111-111L	Music Theory II and Aural Skills II	p. MUS 110-110L	4		
MUAP 1XX	Applied Lessons in Primary Area		1		
MUS 185	Recital Attendance	Concurrent enrollment with MUAP	0		
MUEN 1XX	Primary Ensemble		1		
MUAP 116	Beginner II Class Piano	Piano proficiency required. Complete 4 semesters of class piano or take a proficiency exam.	1		
MUS 271	Vocal Pedagogy: German and French Diction	Offered odd Springs	1	S	
MUS 271/371	Instrumental Pedagogy of choice option: Brass Pedagogy	2 instrumental pedagogies required. Brass offered Odd Springs only. If a different instrument family is desired, take this course at a later time.	1	S	
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			17-18		

**SECOND YEAR**

**Fall 2025**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 101	Foundation of Education		1		
SGR #4	Arts and Humanities	SGR #4 satisfied by coursework from 2 different disciplines or a 2-semester foreign language sequence	3		
SGR #6	Natural Sciences	Suggested GEOG 131-131L	4		
MUS 210-210L	Music Theory III and Aural Skills III	p. MUS 111-111L	4		
MUS 130	Music Literature and History I (SGR #4)		2		
MUAP 2XX	Applied Lessons in Primary Area	p. MUAP 1XX	1		
MUS 185	Recital Attendance	Concurrent enrollment with MUAP	0		
MUEN 1XX	Primary Ensemble		1		
MUS 370	Vocal Pedagogy: Vocal Repertoire	Offered odd Falls	1	F	
MUAP 115	Intermediate I Class Piano	Piano proficiency required. Complete 4 semesters of class piano or take a proficiency exam.	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			18		



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SGR #6	Natural Sciences	Suggested GEOG 132-132L	4		
MUS 211-211L	Music Theory IV and Aural Skills IV	p. MUS 210-210L	4		
MUS 131	Music Literature and History II (SGR #4)		3		
MUAP 2XX	Applied Lessons in Primary Area		1		
MUS 185	Recital Attendance	Concurrent enrollment with MUAP	0		
MUEN 1XX	Primary Ensemble		1		
MUAP 116	Intermediate II Class Piano	Piano proficiency required. Complete 4 semesters of class piano or take a proficiency exam.	1		
MUS 270	Vocal Pedagogy: Italian, Latin, English Diction	Offered even Springs	1	S	
MUS 271/371	Instrumental pedagogy of choice option: Percussion Pedagogy	2 instrumental pedagogies required. Percussion offered Even Springs only. If a different instrument family is desired, take this course at a later time.	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15-16		

**THIRD YEAR**

**Fall 2026**

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EDFN 340	Adolescent Development in Educational Contexts		3		
EDFN 351	Teaching and Learning I		1		
MUS 420	Orchestration and Arranging	p. MUS 211-211L	3		
MUS 360	Conducting I	p. MUS 111-111L	2		
MUAP 3XX	Applied Lessons in Primary Area	p. MUAP 2XX; piano proficiency attempted.	2		
MUEN 3XX	Primary Ensemble		1		
MUS 185	Recital Attendance	Concurrent enrollment with MUAP	0		
MUS 351	Elementary Music Ed Methods	p. MUS 211-211L	2		
MUS 371	Vocal Pedagogy: Principals of Teaching Voice	Offered Even Falls	1	F	
MUS 270/370	Instrumental pedagogy of choice option: Woodwind Pedagogy	2 instrumental pedagogies required. Woodwind offered Even Falls only. If a different instrument family is desired, take this course at an earlier time.	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			15-16		

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EDFN 352	Teaching and Learning II	p. EDFN 351; Education program consent required.	3		
MUS 313	Forms and Analysis	p. MUS 211-211L	3		
MUS 361	Conducting II	P. MUS 360	2		
MUS 365	Music Ed IV: Supervision and Administration	p. MUS 351	2		
MUS 362	Music Ed III: Choral Methods and Materials	Vocal offered odd Springs only	2	S	
MUAP 3XX	Applied Lessons in Primary Area		2		
MUS 185	Recital Attendance	Concurrent enrollment with MUAP	0		
MUEN 3XX	Primary Ensemble		1		
MUEN 3XX	Secondary Ensemble of choice	Can be taken earlier but recommended to be taken after instrumental pedagogy if no prior instrumental experience.	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			16		

**Summer 2027**

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
MUS 355	Computers for Music Educators	Summers only	2	SU	
AIS 211	SD American Indian Culture/Education (SGR #3)		3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			5		

**FOURTH YEAR**

**Fall 2027**

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EDFN 453	Teaching and Learning III	Education program consent required.	3		
SEED 450	7-12 Content Literacy		1		
MUS 433	Music Literature and History III		3		
MUAP 4XX	Applied Lessons in Primary Area	p. MUAP 3XX	2		
MUS 185	Recital Attendance	Concurrent enrollment with MUAP	0		
MUAP 483	Recital	p. Piano proficiency	0		
MUEN 3XX	Primary Ensemble		1		
General Elective			3		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			13		



**Spring 2028 – Student Teaching Semester**

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EDFN 454	Teaching and Learning IV	p. EDFN 453; c. SEED 456; Education program consent required; Capstone	11		
SEED 456	Capstone	c. EDFN 454	1		
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>			12		

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