



Master of Music

MUSIC EDUCATION

Program Overview

University of the Pacific's Conservatory of Music, in conjunction with Pacific's Benerd College, offers a Master of Music in Music Education (MM) designed for students with an undergraduate degree in music education. Students complete 33 units of

coursework (typically four semesters) at Pacific's Stockton (CA) campus. Graduates of the program are eligible for a Teaching Credential in Music (given proficient performance on coursework and examinations).

PROGRAM FAST FACTS

Stockton
Campus

33
units

2 Years

Rolling
admission

Fall
semester start

In-person
program

GRE
required

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The music education program at University of the Pacific provides an unparalleled level of real world experience. Thanks to the academic foundation and hands on practice I am receiving, I feel very confident to enter my field as a music educator.

Nico Peruzzi '18
Graduate Assistant Conductor

Curriculum

The Music Education program offers a core course of study along with numerous electives in music and education that provide an individualized program that caters to the individual's specific career goals. Students choose to pursue a thesis-based research track, or a non-thesis advanced technique track. Both tracks allow for flexible elective choices to personalize a student's degree plan. The Music Education program includes ample opportunity for:

- Independent research
- Regional fieldwork
- Experiential learning

Faculty

Graduate students benefit from close working relationships with dedicated and passionate professors. Dr. Ruth Brittin, who leads the program, is an internationally known music education researcher and has been a professor at the Conservatory of Music for over 20 years. In addition to their music education coursework, graduate students have opportunities working with faculty specializing in music performance, therapy, history, business or composition and theory, as well as with the teacher education faculty of the Benerd College. This breadth and depth of musical development is key to the 100% placement rate for our graduating students.

Tuition and Financing

Tuition and fees are set annually. The per-unit graduate tuition rate for the 2019-20 academic year is \$1,528 plus applicable fees.

The Conservatory of Music and School of Education offer a limited number of graduate assistantships on a competitive basis. Interested applicants should contact the music education department chair.

Graduate students who are U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens may apply for federal student loans. Please contact our Office of Financial Aid for more information about financing options.

OUTCOMES

The Music Education graduate program has a long history of success in placing graduate students into desirable teaching positions and doctoral programs across the U.S. and beyond.

REQUIREMENTS

The admission process involves a holistic review of each applicant's background and experiences. The following are required for admission through our application in GradCAS (gradcas.liaisoncas.com):

- Bachelor's Degree in music
- GRE*
- Live audition or video tape of performance
- Official transcripts
- Resume
- Personal statement
- Two letters of recommendation

For international students, the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) is required.

*GRE may be waived with evidence of outstanding academic achievement in the bachelors degree, i.e. GPA over 3.5.

For more information, please visit:

 go.Pacific.edu/Graduate