COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCES (CLAS) ACADEMIC ADVISING CENTER 2025-2026

MUSIC EDUCATION- INSTRUMENTAL -B.M.E

THIS IS A **GENERAL** CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR FACULTY MENTOR AND ACADEMIC ADVISOR

You must audition for the School of Music before declaring Music Education as a major and before taking any Music Education specific courses.

Year One			
MUS 130 Music Theory I *(Fall only)*	3	MUS 131 Music Theory II *(Winter only)*	3
MUS 133 Aural Perceptions I *(Fall only)*	1	MUS 134 Aural Perceptions II *(Winter only)*	1
MUS 263 Keyboard Musicianship I *(Fall only)*	1	MUS 264 Keyboard Musicianship II *(Winter only)*	1
MUS 141 Private Instructions Freshman	1	MUS 142 Private Instructions Freshman	1
[2]MUS 1xx Ensemble	1	[2]MUS 1xx Ensemble	1
MUS 107 Marching Band *(Fall only)*	1	MUS 257 Class Percussion *(Winter only)*	1
[4]EDF 115 Introduction to Education	3	PSY 101 Introductory Psychology	3
[1]WRT 120 **or** WRT 150 Strategies in Writing (self-placement)	3-4	[1]WRT 130 **or** WRT 150 Strategies in Writing (self-placement)	3-4
Total	*14-15*	*Total*	*14-15*
Year Two			
MUS 230 Music Theory III *(Fall only)*	3	MUS 231 Music Theory IV *(Winter only)*	3
MUS 233 Aural Perceptions III *(Fall only)*	1	MUS 234 Aural Perceptions IV *(Winter only)*	1
MUS 283 Keyboard Musicianship III *(Fall only)*	1	MUS 242 Private Instructions Sophomore	1
MUS 241 Private Instructions Sophomore	1	[2]MUS 1xx Ensemble	1
[2]MUS 1xx Ensemble	1	MUS 255 Brass Techniques *(Winter only)*	2
MUS 107 Marching Band *(Fall only)*	1	MUS 200 Introduction to Music Education I *(Winter only)*	1
MUS 119 Survey of Music Literature I *(Fall only)*	3	MUS 120 Survey of Music Literature II *(Winter only)*	3
MUS 258 String Techniques *(Fall only)*	2	General Education (Mathematical Sciences)	3
Total	*13*	*Total*	*15*
Year Three			
[2]MUS 1xx Ensemble	1	[2]MUS 1xx Ensemble	1
MUS 341 Private Instructions Junior	1	MUS 342 Private Instructions Junior	1
MUS 253 Woodwind Techniques *(Fall only)*	2	[3]MUS 302-08, Upper-Level Music History Course SWS Prerequisite: MUS 120	3
MUS 218 World Music	3		
MUS 354 Teaching the Developing Voice Prerequisites: MUS 200, 231, 234, and 283 or 284	2	MUS 465 Choral Music in the Secondary School Prerequisites: MUS 200 and 354	2
[4]EDR 225 Teaching Multilingual Learners	3	[4]EDF 315 Diverse Perspectives in Education	3
General Education (Life or Physical Sciences with Lab)	4	General Education (Life or Physical Sciences NO Lab)	3
Total	*16*	*Total*	*13*
Year Four			
[2]MUS 1xx Ensemble	1	MUS 370 Performance Pedagogy *(Winter only)* Prerequisite: MUS 320	2
MUS 441 Private Instructions Senior	1		
MUS 330 **or** MUS 333, Upper-Level Theory Course (Fall only) Prerequisite: MUS 231	3	MUS 461 Instrumental Music Methods and Mat. *(Winter only)* Prerequisites: MUS 320 and 456	2
MUS 320 Introduction to Conducting *(Fall only)* Prerequisite: MUS 231 and 234	2	MUS 338 Techniques of Jazz Instruction *(Winter only)* Prerequisites: MUS 200 and 341	1
MUS 456 Teaching Music in Elementary School *(Fall only)* Prerequisite: MUS 200, 231, 234, and 283 or 284	2	MUS 362 Marching Band Techniques *(Winter only)*	1
[4]PSY 301 Child Develop. **or** PSY 331 Adolescent Develop. Prerequisite: PSY 101	3	[3,4]EDF 260 Research and Assessment SWS	3
General Education *(*Philosophy and Literature)	3	General Education (Historical Analysis)	3
		General Education (Issues)	3
Total	*15*	**Apply to Teacher Apprenticeship* *Total*	*15*
Year Five			
Apprenticeship		***Internship***	
EDI 335 PK-12 Apprenticeship and Seminar	4	EDI 435 Teacher Internship and Seminar	7
EDI 332 Disciplinary Content Seminar	2	EDI 432 Disciplinary Content Practicum	2
EDR 321 Cont. Area Lit. SWS	3	EDF 495 Capstone: Reflective Inquiry and Practice	3
EDT 476 Teaching with Tech. **or** EDT 477 Teaching Adolescents with Technology	3		
EDS 318 Teach Students w Difficulties **or** EDS 319 Universal Design Learning	3		
Total	*15*	**Take MTTC Content Area Test* *Total*	*12*

[1]Students who self-place into WRT 120 should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of their first year. Students who self-place into WRT 150 can take it in either semester during their first year. Students will not need to take WRT 150 if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment. A grade of C or better is required in WRT 130 or 150 in order to satisfy the WRT requirement at GVSU.
[2]Ensemble courses may be repeated for credit.
[3]Students must complete two courses with an SWS attribute.
[4]Students must complete PSY 301 or 331, EDF 115, EDR 225, EDF 260, EDF 315 before apprenticeship.
*Students must have a minimum of 120 credits to graduate with 58 of the 120 credits being from a senior level institution and the final 30 of the 120 credits completed at GVSU.
*The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15. A total of 120 credits minimum is required to graduate.
*A major GPA of 2.7 within the Music Education major is required.
*A GPA of 2.7 within the second Education major is required and no grade lower than a C.
*A GPA of 2.0 overall is required to graduate.
*A GPA of 3.0 is required before admission to Education Teacher Apprenticeship.

General Education Overlap	
General Education Categories fulfilled by courses required in the Music Education major:	
Arts: MUS 218	Social and Behavioral Sciences: PSY 101 & EDF 115
Global Perspectives: MUS 218 & EDF 225	U.S. Diversity EDF 315
Supplemental Writing Skills (SWS): MUS 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, or 308 & EDF 260	Issues: EDT 476 OR 477 & EDS 319

Second Major in Education (39 credits)

- ___ PSY 301 Introductory Psychology (3) **or**
  PSY 331 Adolescent Development (3)
  Prerequisites: PSY 101
- ___ EDF 115 Introduction to Education (3)
- ___ EDF 260 Research and Assessment (3)
- ___ EDR 225 Teaching Multilingual Learners (3)
- ___ EDF 315 Diverse Perspectives in Education (3)
  Prerequisites: Sophomore Standing
- ___ EDS 318 Teaching Students with Difficulties (3) **or**
  EDS 319 Universal Design for Learning (3)
- ___ EDR 321 Content Area Literacy (3) **or**
  EDR 320 Development, Assessment, and Instruction (3)
  Corequisites: EDI 310 and EDI 335
- ___ EDI 332 Disciplinary Content Seminar (2)
- ___ EDI 335 PK-12 Apprenticeship and Seminar (4)
  Corequisites: EDI 310
- ___ EDI 432 Disciplinary Content Practicum (2)
  Corequisites: EDI 495 and EDI 435
- ___ EDI 435 Teacher Internship and Seminar (7)
  Corequisites: EDI 495 and EDI 432
- ___ EDT 476 Teaching with Technology (3) **or**
  EDT 477 Teaching Adolescents with Technology (3)
- ___ EDF 495 Capstone: Reflective Inquiry and Practice (3)
  Corequisites: EDI 435 and EDI 432