

# VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC EDUCATION

## Field endorsement to teach grades PK-12

You care about the beauty of music, and you have a passion for teaching. You want children to discover the joy and the outlet that music provides. With a degree in Music Education from Wayne State College, you'll be able to teach it all – elementary music, and directing choirs, orchestras, and bands in grades PK-12. With the field endorsement to teach vocal and instrumental music, you'll have even more opportunities to get a job and become a music teacher in a school setting.

*If you choose the Vocal and Instrumental Music field endorsement, you are not required to choose any other endorsements to receive your B.A. or B.S.*

## fast facts

### Hours:

60 hours for endorsement  
33-36 hours in education core classes  
30 hours in general education

*At least 120 hours are required for graduation from Wayne State College.*

**Degrees offered:** B.A. or B.S.

**Departments:** Music, Educational Foundations and Leadership

**Schools:** Arts and Humanities, Education and Behavioral Sciences

**Clinical practice:** One semester of student teaching required

**Popular pairings:** Theatre Education (7-12), Coaching (7-12)

## focus on results

### Skills Learned

- Music theory and ear training
- Music software: Finale<sup>®</sup>, Cakewalk<sup>®</sup>, Pyware 3D<sup>®</sup>, and Audacity<sup>®</sup>
- Playing piano, guitar, woodwinds, brass, strings, and percussion
- Instrumental and choral conducting
- History and literature of music
- Performance with large and small ensembles
- Vocal and instrumental instruction techniques
- Classroom management and leadership

### Possible Careers

- Music teacher
- Band director
- Choir director
- Orchestra director
- Composer
- Conductor
- Songwriter
- Private instructor
- Church musician

### Types of Employers

- Elementary schools
- Middle schools
- High schools
- Music schools
- Churches
- Performance groups
- Theaters

## outside the classroom



Visit [www.wsc.edu/clubs](http://www.wsc.edu/clubs) to learn more about clubs and organizations on campus.

### Performance Opportunities

- Chamber Music
- Concert Choir
- Fortis Choir
- Jazz Ensemble
- Marching Band
- Mariachi
- Symphonic Band
- Wind Ensemble
- Lyrica Treble Choir

### Clubs / Organizations

- Kappa Kappa Psi (honorary band fraternity)
- Music Teachers National Association
- National Association for Music Education (NAfME)
- Nebraska State Education Association (NSEA) Aspiring Educators

# Sample program of study

2023-24 Academic Year

Every effort is made to ensure this information is current, but please be aware that some content may have changed. There is no substitute for developing a careful course registration plan in consultation with your advisor. The class sequence listed is suggested only. The final decision rests with the student and academic advisor.

Students wishing to complete this program in four years will need to complete 15 hours of summer or transfer courses.

## Freshman - 1st semester

MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 141 Choir.....	1
MUS 142 Band.....	1
MUS 150 Class in Voice I .....	1
MUS 280 Class in Piano I.....	1
General Studies.....	6

## Freshman - 2nd semester

EDU 150 Introduction to Professional Education .....	3
ENG 102 Composition Skills (General Studies CAT 1).....	3
MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 101 Music Theory I.....	3
MUS 104 Aural Skills I.....	3
MUS 141 Choir.....	1
MUS 142 Band.....	1
MUS 281 Class in Piano II .....	1

## Sophomore - 1st semester

CNA 100 Principles of Human Communication (General Studies CAT 2).....	3
EDU 250 Human Development and Cognition.....	3
MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 102 Music Theory II.....	3
MUS 105 Aural Skills II.....	1
MUS 141 Choir.....	1
MUS 142 Band.....	1
MUS 175 Class in Brass I.....	1
MUS 178 Class in Guitar.....	1
MUS 208 Fundamentals of Conducting.....	1
MUS 380 Class in Piano III .....	1

## Sophomore - 2nd semester

EDU 275 PK-12 Instructional Design.....	3
MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 141 Choir.....	1
MUS 142 Band.....	1
MUS 176 Class in Brass II.....	1
MUS 177 Class in Percussion .....	1
MUS 201 Music Theory III.....	3
MUS 203 Aural Skills III.....	1
MUS 305 Music Technology.....	1
MUS 306 Choral Conducting and Materials.....	1
MUS 381 Class in Piano IV .....	1

**Advancement to Level 2:** Acceptance to Teacher Education Candidacy required before taking any 300/400 level EDU/SPD courses.

## Junior - 1st semester

MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 171 Class in Strings I.....	1
MUS 202 Music Theory IV .....	3
MUS 204 Aural Skills IV.....	1
MUS 307 Instrumental Conducting and Materials .....	2
MUS 401 History and Literature of Music I .....	3
MUS 411 Content Area Practicum.....	0.5
MUS 415 Teaching Music PK-6.....	2
MUS 441 Choir .....	1
MUS 442 Marching Band/Wind Ensemble .....	1

## Junior - 2nd semester

MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 172 Class in Strings II .....	1
MUS 303 Instrumentation .....	2
MUS 308 Teaching Vocal Music 7-12.....	2
MUS 402 History and Literature of Music II.....	3
MUS 412 Secondary Education Practicum.....	0.5
MUS 441 Choir .....	1
MUS 442 Marching Band/Wind Ensemble .....	1
EDU 310 Reading, Writing, and Assessment in Content Areas .....	2
General Studies.....	3

## Senior - 1st semester

MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 173 Class in Woodwinds I.....	1
MUS 441 Choir .....	1
MUS 442 Marching Band/Wind Ensemble .....	1
SPD 435/436 Classroom Management through Social-Emotional Learning K-6 or 7-12 .....	3
General Studies.....	9

## Senior - 2nd semester

MUS Major Applied Lessons .....	1
MUS 174 Class in Woodwinds II .....	1
MUS 309 Teaching Instrumental Music.....	2
MUS 412 Secondary Education Practicum.....	0.5
MUS 454 Senior Recital .....	1
SPD 302 Inclusion and Co-teaching in General Education.....	3
General Studies.....	9

## Advancement to Level 3: Clinical Practice

## Fifth-Year Senior - 1st semester

EDU 452 Clinical Practicum and Seminar for Elementary School.....	6
EDU 456 Clinical Practicum and Seminar for Secondary School .....	6

All persons seeking Nebraska certification are required to provide proof of a passing score on the Praxis II content test designated for the area(s) of endorsement. For information about the test requirements, please visit the Nebraska Department of Education website at [www.education.ne.gov](http://www.education.ne.gov).

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