

# Music Education Major: Choral and General Music Emphasis (Grades K-12) - Bachelor of Science (BS)

## Major requirements

Completion of the Music Education: Choral and General Music Emphasis Program and associated benchmark assessments (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#SOE-program-requirements>) will lead to endorsement for the following Wisconsin teaching license:

- Music, grades K-12 (2500).

Students in all teacher education programs must satisfy the School of Education (SOE) core requirements (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#SOE-core>).

Students in all teacher education programs must be admitted to the School of Education (<https://www.uwlax.edu/soe/undergrad/admission-to-soe/>) in order to complete their program requirements and be eligible for endorsement for the appropriate teaching license(s). Students majoring in music education: choral and general music (grades K-12) must meet specific program admission criteria (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#K-12>).

## Retention and advancement

Teacher candidates may be retained in their teacher education program provided they fulfill the conditions described in the SOE Retention Policy (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#retention>). Students must complete all course requirements and other benchmarks prior to student teaching as described in the Student Teaching and Internship Policy (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#student-teaching>). Additional SOE program requirements, including the culminating assessment of pedagogical knowledge, are described on the SOE catalog page (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/>).

### Additional student teaching requirement

Students must complete MUS 149 with a grade of "B" or higher and successfully complete the recital requirement (400-level, applied music) prior to student teaching.

## Curriculum

The Music Education: Choral and General Music Emphasis Program is aligned with Wisconsin Teacher Standards (WTS) and the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM) Standards.

## Required general education courses (9 credits)

Besides the courses specified below, music education: choral and general music emphasis majors must satisfy additional general education requirements (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/>

[generaleducation/#generaleducationrequirements](#)text). The General Education Program requires a total of 42 credits.

Code	Title	Credits
EDS 203	School, Society, and Teachers <sup>1, 4</sup>	3
EDS 206	Multicultural Education <sup>2, 4</sup>	3
MUS 205	Global Cultures in Music <sup>3</sup>	3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>9</b>

<sup>1</sup> Counts toward General Education Program requirement: Self and Society (GE Category 6).

<sup>2</sup> Counts toward General Education Program requirement: Minority Cultures or Multiracial Women's Studies (GE Category 3).

<sup>3</sup> Counts toward General Education Program requirement: International and Multicultural Studies, Global and Multicultural Studies (GE Category 4-2). Also satisfies a music core requirement.

## Additional allied education requirements (21 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
EDS 309	Teaching Global Perspectives Across the Curriculum	3
SPE 200	Foundations of Special Education <sup>4</sup>	3
PSY 212	Lifespan Development <sup>4</sup>	3
<b>Student teaching semester <sup>5</sup></b>		
EDS 492	Student Teaching Seminar <sup>4</sup>	1
<b>One of the following: <sup>4</sup></b>		<b>11</b>
EDS 497	Student Teaching: Kindergarten through Grade 12 (K-12)	
EDS 495	Teaching Internship	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>21</b>

Audition required.

## Music core requirements (24 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
MUS 205	Global Cultures in Music <sup>±</sup>	3
MUS 264	History of Western Music I	3
MUS 266	Theory of Music I	3
MUS 268	Aural Skills I	1
MUS 364	History of Western Music II	3
MUS 365	History of Western Music III	3
MUS 366	Theory of Music II	3
MUS 367	Theory of Music III	3
MUS 368	Aural Skills II	1
MUS 369	Aural Skills III	1
Successful completion of concert attendance		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>24</b>

<sup>±</sup> Counts toward General Education Program requirement: International and Multicultural Studies, Global and Multicultural Studies (GE Category 4-2).

## Music education core requirements (13 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
MUS 149	Keyboard Competencies IV <sup>5</sup>	1
MUS 203	Foundations of Music Education	3
MUS 211	Basic Conducting	2
MUS 320	Orchestration and Arranging	2
MUS 328	Diction in Music	1
MUS 370	K-12 General Music Methods <sup>4</sup>	4
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>13</b>

## Additional music instruments (6-7 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
MUS 214	String Techniques	2
MUS 225	Percussion Techniques	2
Mock ensemble participation: two meetings per semester in convocation while enrolled in techniques courses		
Select one of the following:		2-3
MUS 220	Brass Techniques	
MUS 227	Woodwind Techniques	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>6-7</b>

## Advanced choral and general music education (11 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
MUS 213	Class Ukulele and Guitar	1
MUS 349	Vocal Accompanying	1
MUS 325	Choral Literature <sup>6</sup>	2
MUS 379	Advanced Choral Conducting & Field Experience I <sup>4, 6</sup>	3
MUS 383	Choral Music in the Schools and Field Experience II <sup>4, 6</sup>	4
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>11</b>

## Applied voice and ensemble (14 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Large ensemble-choral</b>		
Select six credits from the following:		6
MUS 106	Concert Choir I	
	or MUS 206 Concert Choir II	
	or MUS 306 Concert Choir III	
	or MUS 406 Concert Choir IV	
MUS 123	Treble Chorus I	
	or MUS 223 Treble Chorus II	
	or MUS 323 Treble Chorus III	
	or MUS 423 Treble Chorus IV	
MUS 158	Choral Union I	
	or MUS 258 Choral Union II	
	or MUS 358 Choral Union III	
	or MUS 458 Choral Union IV	
<b>Small ensemble</b>		
Select two credits from the following:		2
MUS 161	Ensembles	

MUS 134 Jazz Ensemble I  
or MUS 234 Jazz Ensemble II  
or MUS 334 Jazz Ensemble III  
or MUS 434 Jazz Ensemble IV

MUS 130 Jazz Orchestra I  
or MUS 230 Jazz Orchestra II  
or MUS 330 Jazz Orchestra III  
or MUS 430 Jazz Orchestra IV

Select five credits in applied voice, including at least two credits at the 300-level, from the following: 5

MUA 221	Applied Voice	
MUA 321	Applied Voice	
MUA 471	Recital	1
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>14</b>

<sup>4</sup> Also satisfies an SOE core requirement.

<sup>5</sup> Students must complete MUS 149 with a grade of "B" or higher and successfully complete the recital requirement (400-level, applied music), as well as all other course requirements and benchmarks prior to student teaching. For more information, please see the Student Teaching and Internship Policy (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#student-teaching>).

<sup>6</sup> Requires admission to the School of Education.

Additional teacher education requirements are listed on the School of Education (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/>) catalog page.

## Degree requirements

All teacher education students must complete the general education, School of Education, major/minor, and university degree requirements in order to qualify for a degree. The easiest way to track all of these requirements is to refer to the Advisement Report (AR) found in the Student Information System (WINGS) Student Center. All enrolled students have access to the AR.

- General education (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/generaleducation/>)
- School of Education requirements (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/>)
- Baccalaureate degree requirements (p. 2)

## Baccalaureate degree requirements

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degrees must accomplish the following:

1. Fulfill the general education requirements.
2. Complete at least one ethnic studies (diversity) course.
3. Complete the courses prescribed by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for the degree desired in the respective school or college.
4. Earn a minimum of 120 semester credits with at least a 2.00 cumulative GPA.<sup>1, 2</sup>
5. At least 40 credits must be earned in 300/400 level courses. Transfer courses earned or transferred at the 300/400 level apply to this requirement.
6. Complete major and minor requirements with at least a 2.00 GPA<sup>1, 2</sup> in each major and minor (and concentration or emphasis, if selected).

7. A minimum of 30 semester credits in residence at UWL is required for graduation. (See undergraduate resident requirement (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/academicpolicies/graduation/#undergraduate-residence-requirement>).
8. Submit an application for graduation via the "Apply for Graduation" link in the WINGS Student Center as soon as the student has registered for his or her final semester or summer term in residence. December and winter intersession graduates should apply by May 1. May and summer graduates should apply by December 1.

<sup>1</sup> Grade point average requirements for some programs will be considerably higher than 2.00. Re-entering students may be required to earn credits in excess of the 120 needed for graduation in any curriculum in order to replace credits earned in courses in which the content has changed substantially in recent years. Each case will be judged on its own merit.

<sup>2</sup> The grade point average recorded at the time the degree is awarded will not be affected by future enrollment.

**No degree will be awarded unless all requirements are fulfilled and recorded within 30 days after the official ending date of each term.**

## Sample degree plan

Below is a sample degree plan that can be used as a guide to identify courses required to fulfill the major and other requirements needed for degree completion. A student's actual degree plan may differ depending on the course of study selected (second major, minor, etc.). Also, this sample plan assumes readiness for each course and/or major plan, and some courses may not be offered every term. Review the course descriptions or the class timetable (<http://www.uwlax.edu/records/registration/>) for course offering information.

The sample degree plans represented in this catalog are intended for first-year students entering UWL in the fall term. Students should use the Advisement Report (AR) in WINGS (<https://wings.uwlax.edu>) and work closely with their faculty advisor(s) and college dean's office to ensure declaration and completion of all requirements in a timely manner.

### General Education Program

The general education curriculum (Gen Ed) is the common educational experience for all undergraduates at UWL. Sample degree plans include Gen Ed placeholders to ensure completion of the general education requirements. Courses may be rearranged to fit the needs or recommendations of the student's program of study. Gen Ed courses may be taken during winter term (January between the semesters) and summer to reduce the course load during regular terms (fall and spring). Students should consult with their advisor and/or the college academic services director in their college/school for assistance with course and schedule planning. Refer to the general education requirements (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/generaleducation/>) for more specific details.

At least 40 credits of the 120 credits required must be earned at the 300/400-level.

**Note:** New students and transfer students with less than 12 credits earned are required to take FYS 100 First-Year Seminar (3 cr.) during one of their first two semesters at UWL.

*This sample degree plan does not establish a contractual agreement. It identifies the minimum requirements a student must successfully complete, to qualify for a degree, in a format intended to assist the student in planning their academic career. Actual degree plans may differ.*

Year 1		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
MUS 146	1 MUA 221	1
MUS 147	1 MUS 148	1
MUS 205 (Gen Ed Global Studies)	3 MUS 149 <sup>1</sup>	1
MUA 221	1 MUS 266	3
Large Ensemble	1 MUS 268	1
FYS 100 (Gen Ed First-Year Seminar)	3 EDS 203 (Gen Ed Self & Society)	3
CST 110 (Gen Ed Literacy-Oral)	3 ENG 110 or 112 (Gen Ed Literacy-Written)	3
Gen Ed Arts	2-3 Large Ensemble	1
	Gen Ed World History	3
	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>

Year 2		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
MUA 221	1 MUA 221	1
MUS 203	3 MUS 264	3
MUS 213	1 MUS 328	1
MUS 249	1 MUS 349	1
MUS 366	3 MUS 367	3
MUS 368	1 MUS 369	1
EDS 206 (Gen Ed Minority Cultures)	3 PSY 212	3
Large Ensemble	1 Gen Ed Math	4
Gen Ed Health & Well Being	3 Large Ensemble	1
	Apply for Admission to SOE <sup>2</sup>	
	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>

Year 3		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
MUA 321	1 MUA 321	1
MUS 211	2 MUS 325	2
MUS 214	2 MUS 365	3
MUS 320	2 MUS 370	4
MUS 364	3 SPE 200	3
EDS 309	3 Small Ensemble	1
Small Ensemble	1 Large Ensemble	1
Large Ensemble	1 Apply for Field Experience I <sup>3</sup>	
Gen Ed Arts	2-3	
	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>

Year 4		
Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
MUA 321	1 MUA 321	1
MUS 225	2 MUA 471 or 472	1
MUS 379	3 MUS 220 or 227	2
Large Ensemble	1 MUS 383	4
Gen Ed Humanistic Studies	3 Gen Ed Natural Lab Science	4
Gen Ed Lang/Logical Systems	3-4 Large Ensemble	1
	Apply for Field Experience II <sup>3</sup>	
	Apply for Student Teaching <sup>4</sup>	
	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>

**Additional year**

**Fall Credits**

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EDS 492	1
EDS 497	11
	<b>12</b>

**Total Credits: 137**

<sup>1</sup> Prerequisite: MUS 148 or consent of instructor. Offered Spring - Even Numbered Years.

<sup>2</sup> See the SOE admissions website for complete admission and application details. Students will be required to complete a criminal background check at the time of application for admission.

<sup>3</sup> Students applying for field and student teaching placements will be asked to disclose any criminal charges.

<sup>4</sup> Students must apply for student teaching through the Office of Field Experience one year prior to the student teaching semester.

<sup>5</sup> For more information, please see the Student Teaching and Internship Policy.