

**The University of Georgia – Hugh Hodgson School of Music**  
**Non-Degree Graduate-Level Certification Programs in K-12 Music Education**

**Admission Requirements and Prerequisites**

(supplemental coursework may be added to degree as needed)

1. Earned Bachelor's degree in Music from accredited institution, minimum cumulative GPA 3.0.
2. Acceptance to the graduate school and HHSOM graduate program OR
  - a. At least three letters of recommendation
  - b. A written essay on your preparedness for graduate or further education, your career aspirations for the teacher certification. Please include your experiences in educational or relevant settings, and any contributions you have made or aspire to make to a diverse, heterogeneous community of learners and teachers
3. Interview with Music Education Faculty
4. Obtain Pre-Service Certificate (background checks and ethics training and exam)
5. Pass the Hodgson School of Music Piano Proficiency examination (or Piano 1-4)
6. Beginning conducting course from previous degree
7. Monthly Attendance to Music Education Seminars is required (every 4th Wednesday of the month during Common Hour)

**Required Coursework: (30-32 hours).**

Some coursework from previous degrees may count to fulfill requirements. Substitute courses may be considered with approval from the faculty advisor.

MUSI 4500S/6500S (3 hours) – Music Techniques and Experiences for Children [spring only]

Choose 1 course (3 hours):

- EPSY 2130 Exploring Learning and Teaching (3)
- EMUS 7100E Music Ed Pedagogy (3) [Fall only]
- MUSI 7550 Music Pedagogy (3) [Spring – not offered on a regular basis]

Choose 1 course (3 hours):

- MUSI 4520/6520 (3) – Choral Techniques and Field Experience [Fall only]
- MUSI 4530/6530 (3) – Instrumental Techniques and Field Experience [Fall only]

Choose 1 course (3 hours):

- MUSI 5450 Music for Exceptional Children (3) [spring only]
- SPED 4020/6020 Students Special Needs PreK-5 (3)
- SPED 4030/6030 Students Special Needs Gr 6-12 (3)

Choose 4 (4-6 hour) with faculty advisor approval)

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| MUSI 2400 Voice 1 (1)                   | MUSI 4350/6350 Strings (1)    |
| MUSI 3400 Guitar Techniques (1)         | MUSI 4360/6360 Woodwinds (1)  |
| MUSI 3441 Jazz Pedagogy (1)             | MUSI 4370/6370 Brass (1)      |
| MUSI 3450S Vocal Pedagogy (2)           | MUSI 4380/6380 Percussion (1) |
| MUSI 4090 Vocal Diction Methods (1)     | MUSI 2540 Piano V (1)         |
| MUSI 3240 Instrumentation Arranging (1) | MUSI 2550 Piano VI (1)        |

Choose 1 course (2-3 hours):

- MUSI 5270/7270 (2) – Advanced Conducting [fall only]
- MUSI 3490 (3) - Choral Conducting [spring only]
- MUSI 3500 (3) - Band Conducting [spring only]
- MUSI 3510 (3) - Orchestral Conducting [spring only]

EMUS 5460/7460 (12 hours) – Senior Practicum/Internship in Music Education