

## Degree Requirements for the Masters of Music degree in *MUSIC EDUCATION – THESIS OPTION*

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The degree requires the completion of 34 credit hours, including a thesis (ME 759). An oral thesis defense is required. After the successful defense has been completed, a final copy of the thesis must be approved by the thesis committee and by the Director of Graduate Studies, and submitted according to the guidelines found on the University Library's website. Approval and submission must be completed before the degree can be conferred.

A separate final comprehensive oral examination (ME 799) covering the entire program of study is also required at the end of the program (separate from the thesis defense).

The Graduate Music Theory and Music History Diagnostics are required for placement purposes. Depending on the results of these exams, students may be required to take review coursework (MH 508-Graduate Music History Review, MT 508-Graduate Music Theory Review, and/or other remedial coursework). These review classes count as general music electives.

6 credit hours of the MM Music Education degree are a specialization which can be created with approval from the music education graduate advisor, selected from elective coursework from within the School of Music, related programs at Butler University, or transfer credit from outside programs. The default specialization for students enrolled in the MM Music Education degree program is in Conducting and Rehearsal Studies.

### **COURSE DISTRIBUTION:**

*Courses are offered on an alternating annual schedule. The School of Music course rotation is available online.*

<u>Course #</u>	<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
ME 510	Critical Issues in Contemporary Music Education	2
ME 511	Historical and Philosophical Foundations of American Music Education	2
ME 515	Research in Music Education	3
ME 516	Curriculum Design and Assessment Practices in Music Education	2
ME 552	Psychology and Sociology of Music	2
ME 553	Music Education for Diverse Learners	2
ME 759	Thesis in Music Education	6
ME 799	Final Comprehensive Exam	0
MH ____	Graduate Music History Elective	3
MT ____	Graduate Music Theory Elective	3
MT 550	Pedagogy of Music Theory	3

*Specialization-Conducting and Rehearsal Studies*

ME 512	Educational Practices for the Ensemble Rehearsal	2
ME 514	Repertoire Studies for the Performance Classroom	2
MT 513	Conducting Practices for the Ensemble Classroom	2

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS:** **34**

At least 50% of the curriculum must be courses numbered at the 500-level or higher.