MUSIC - GENERAL MUSIC (VOCAL-CHORAL) (MASTER OF ARTS)

Application Deadlines

Deadline dates for applications and receipt of all required application materials are:

Date	Event
July 1	Fall Admission
November 1	Spring Admission
April 1	Summer Admission

Any exceptions to these deadlines must be granted by the graduate program chair.

Application Materials Required for the MA with a Major in Music (Vocal-Choral)

Applicants for the MA with a major in Music and a general music concentration may be permitted to enroll for one semester of graduate coursework (only after official degree posted transcripts have been received) while completing all other general application requirements.

Applicants for the MA with a major in Music and a general music concentration must submit all of the following documentation to the Graduate School to be considered for admission:

Graduate Admissions
Jacksonville State University
700 Pelham Road North
Jacksonville, Alabama 36265-1602

1. Completed JSU Graduate Application for Admission (https://gr-recruiter.jsu.edu/Apply/Account/Login/).
2. Non-refundable $35.00 application processing fee.
3. Official transcripts from the baccalaureate degree awarding institution and **all** transcripts from institutions where post-baccalaureate work has been completed. To be considered for admission, applicants must hold a degree from an institutionally accredited institution or its foreign equivalent. (Students who have previously attended JSU do not need to request a transcript from the university.)
4. Three Graduate Reference Forms completed by individuals who can provide qualitative assessment of the applicant's potential for success in graduate coursework. Reference forms will be submitted electronically. Instructions for submission will be sent through email to the applicant upon submission of the online graduate application.
5. International student applicants must see the International Student Applicants (https://catalog.jsu.edu/graduate/admission/international-student-applicants/) section of this catalog for other application and enrollment requirements.
6. Applicants must take the graduate music diagnostic exam given by the Music Department. The examination requires students to demonstrate competence in the theory of music, knowledge of the history and literature of music, and an applied music audition.

Admission Requirements for the MA with a Major in Music (Vocal-Choral)

Applicants are admitted on a selective basis upon review of the completed application package.

Applicants who are granted conditional admission must achieve a GPA of at least 3.00 on the first 12 graduate hours attempted. Failure to meet these conditions will result in the student being dropped from graduate studies.

Minimum Requirements for the MA with a Major in Music (Vocal-Choral)

An overall 3.00 GPA is required on all coursework attempted for the master's degree. Transfer credit cannot be used to raise the GPA to the required 3.00 GPA.

Non-Thesis Option

Total of 32 graduate semester hours. The student must complete:

- 16 semester hours in required music courses
- 16 semester hours in approved music electives by advisement
- Students will be required to complete a comprehensive examination

Course	Title	Credits
Required Music Courses		
MU 5705	Seminar in Choral Music	3
MU 5700	Research Methods in Music and Music Education	3
Select one of the following:		3
MU 5701	Music Literature: Renaissance and Baroque Eras	
MU 5702	Music Literatures: Classic Era	
MU 5703	Music Literature: Romantic Era	
MU 5704	Music Literature: Contemporary Era	
Select one of the following:		3
MU 5716	Music Theory: Style Analysis	
MU 5717	Music Theory: Style Analysis	
Select four hours of the following:		4
MU 5715	Advanced Conducting	
MU 5714	Vocal Pedagogy	
MU 5870	Individual Applied Music	
MU 5871	Individual Applied Music	
MU 5900	Graduate Ensemble	
Electives		
Approved Music Electives by Advisement		16
Total Hours		**32**

32 Graduate Semester Hours Required for this Degree

Thesis Option

Total of 32 graduate semester hours. The student must complete:

- 16 semester hours in required music courses
- 10 semester hours in approved music electives by advisement
- 6 hours of thesis

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Required Music Courses		
MU 5705	Seminar in Choral Music	3
MU 5700	Research Methods in Music and Music Education	3
Select one of the following:		3
MU 5701	Music Literature: Renaissance and Baroque Eras	
MU 5702	Music Literatures: Classic Era	
MU 5703	Music Literature: Romantic Era	
MU 5704	Music Literature: Contemporary Era	
Select one of the following:		3
MU 5716	Music Theory: Style Analysis	
MU 5717	Music Theory: Style Analysis	
Select four hours from the following:		4
MU 5715	Advanced Conducting	
MU 5714	Vocal Pedagogy	
MU 5870	Individual Applied Music	
MU 5871	Individual Applied Music	
MU 5900	Graduate Ensemble	
Thesis Option		
Must complete the following for a total of six semester hours:		
MU 5990	Thesis	3
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Electives		
Approved Music Electives by Advisement		10
Total Hours		**32**

32 Graduate Semester Hours Required for this Degree

Thesis students must submit a Thesis Option form (https://www.jsu.edu/graduate/thesis-dissertation/), approved and signed by the student's Thesis Committee, to Graduate Studies for approval. The Thesis Option form is a Dynamic Form and is available online on the Thesis and Dissertation Information (https://www.jsu.edu/graduate/thesis-dissertation/) page.

Graduation and Comprehensive Exam

A comprehensive exam is required for the Non-Thesis Option of this degree; please see the graduate advisor for full details. For students choosing the Thesis Option, the thesis defense serves as the comprehensive exam. All students must apply for graduation (http://www.jsu.edu/graduate/graduation.html) by the given deadline of the semester (http://www.jsu.edu/registrar/academic-calendar/) in which they plan to graduate. Please see the Graduation and Comprehensive Exam (https://catalog.jsu.edu/graduate/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-comprehensive-exam/) section of this catalog for more information.