

MUSIC EDUCATION, PH.D.

Admission

The general requirements for admission are: a master's degree in music education (or the equivalent); satisfactory score on the general section (verbal/quantitative/analytical) of the GRE or the Miller Analogies Test; master's thesis or equivalent demonstration of the ability to undertake and complete significant, original scholarly work; evidence of successful full-time teaching at the elementary or secondary level (a minimum of three years and an expectation of five years); an interview; and fulfillment of the general requirements for admission to The Graduate School, including the submission of three recommendations preferably written on School of Music forms. Applicants whose native language is not English are also required to submit a satisfactory score on the TOEFL or the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam. The minimum acceptable score on the TOEFL is 100 (internet-based) or 600 (paper-based). The minimum acceptable overall band score on the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam is 7. Applicants for the Doctor of Music Arts degree in composition, conducting, or performance whose TOEFL score is below the minimum acceptable score will be considered on an individual basis for conditional admission. Such applicants must demonstrate exceptional abilities in the major area and evidence through past academic or professional activities strong promise for future professional success. Additional admission requirements for specific areas are listed online. Admission decisions are based upon the applicant's total portfolio with particular weight being given to a record of successful music teaching at the elementary or secondary level and documented evidence of an ability to undertake and complete significant, independent research and writing.