BACHELOR OF ARTS (SECONDARY ED)

MUSIC & EDUCATION

Our combined degree prepares students for careers in music education within a secondary school setting. Offering a combination of music and education courses, this program is designed primarily for those desiring to teach instrumental music in junior or senior high school. A choral component is also included.

WE ARE ALL TREATY PEOPLE
The University of Alberta respectfully acknowledges that we are situated on Treaty 6 territory, traditional lands of First Nations and Métis people.

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WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MUSIC EDUCATION DEGREE?
I COULD BE A... junior or senior high school teacher, private music teacher, conductor, or choral director.

TOP 4 REASONS TO STUDY MUSIC:

1. Access to award-winning teachers, global researchers, and renowned performers in a warm, close-knit academic community.
2. Be totally immersed in music, with over 100 department events every year, including guest lectures, workshops, and concerts.
3. Enjoy the unique achievement of completing two degrees in five years.
4. Gain practical experience in the classroom in your Introductory and Advanced Placement terms.

ENHANCE YOUR DEGREE
CONNECT TO EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:
Introductory and Advanced Placement terms (student teaching)

OFFERS COURSES IN...
- Instrumental or vocal instruction
- Large ensembles
- Instrument techniques
- Music technologies
- Music theory
- Music history
- Conducting
- Music education

COURSE REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR MAJOR
Complete your major requirements and test out different classes. Design your academic plan — you’re in control!

MUSIC MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENTS:
Music requirements only; see calendar for Education requirements
The Department of Music and the Faculty of Education offer two, five-year integrated programs of 162 credits each, leading to the degrees of Bachelor Music and Bachelor of Education (Elementary), or Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Education (Secondary). Topics covered throughout your degree[s] include:
- Applied music lessons
- Music theory
- Music history
- Aural skills
- Large ensemble
- Instrumental and choral conducting
- Instrumental techniques [brass, woodwind, and percussion]
- Teaching minor subject
- Education courses

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**EARLY DEGREE**
Expand your career options, be proactive and get involved in campus life.
- Study your instrument in one-on-one lessons.
- Join the Music Students’ Association.
- Expand your horizons by performing and attending concerts and symposia.
- Learn more about Indigenous peoples, perspectives, and worldviews.
- Sample a course in electronic music or music technologies.
- Gain practical experience in the classroom.

**MID-DEGREE**
Take risks, try new things, ask for and offer help to people you know and people you meet.
- Enjoy conducting instrumental and choral ensembles.
- Choose a minor teaching subject.
- Expand your knowledge by learning how to play — and how to teach — all of the band instruments.

**LATE DEGREE**
Develop and revise your career story based on your values, interests, and what you learn.
- Learn more about the art of teaching with the Faculty of Education.
- Stay on track to graduate: Complete a Program Check on Bear Tracks.
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- Sing in a choir, play in a band or orchestra.

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