

For students entering the
M.M. program in the
Jacobs School of Music:
Fall 2025 and later

Credit Hours and Grade Average Required:
Minimum Credit Hours.....33
Minimum Graduate GPA.....3.00
Credits earned in graduate theory and history & literature review courses, major ensemble, language proficiencies, or tool subjects are not applied to the minimum required hours for graduation.

Current students may obtain
an up-to-date advisement
report at
<http://one.iu.edu> – search
“Advisement Report”

This sheet is for use as an aid in understanding degree requirements. In questions of official policy the *Jacobs School of Music Bulletin* and official notices supersede this document. Please consult the bulletin for additional details regarding general regulations and policies for graduate music students.

Music History & Literature and Music Theory Entrance Proficiencies

All new students are required to show proficiency in Music History & Literature and Music Theory. The proficiencies may be satisfied in any of the following ways:

Students may take and pass the graduate entrance exams. Students must take the exams at the beginning of their first semester of enrollment; they may take them for a second time in their second semester. They may not take them again, nor may they take them after their second semester of enrollment. (Note that this includes summer sessions in which students are enrolled. Exams are ordinarily given in the week before classes begin each semester.)

Students who completed their undergraduate degree at IU in the current calendar year or three preceding calendar years can be exempt from the graduate entrance exams with minimum grades in specific courses. See the *JSOM Bulletin* for details.

Students may enroll in and pass the graduate review courses listed below:

M501 Proseminar in Music History (3 cr)
T508 Written Theory Review for Graduate Students (3 cr)
T509 Sight Singing Review for Graduate Students (1 cr)
T511 Aural Theory Review for Graduate Students (1 cr)

Students should begin enrolling in review courses from which they are not exempted by examination as soon as possible; otherwise completion of the degree may be delayed as T508 and M501 serve as prerequisites to the master's music history and literature requirement. *The review courses are not offered every semester.*

Keyboard Proficiency Examination

All music graduate students must pass a keyboard proficiency examination. This exam is designed to ensure the student's ability to use the keyboard as a tool within the framework of professional activities, and the requirements vary according to level and area of music study. This exam may be repeated as many times as necessary to show proficiency. The exam is offered at the end of each term. The keyboard proficiency requirement may be satisfied by passing the examination at any of the times it is offered or by receiving a grade of B or higher in **P715 Keyboard Review for Graduate Students** (1 cr).

Diversity Performance Requirement

To fulfill program requirements, performance majors must include performances of works by composers that reflect diversity of gender, race, ethnicity or other historically excluded groups. During each degree, students must perform a work identified as meeting this requirement. The most straightforward way for students to meet this requirement is to include diverse programming in degree recital repertoire. However, any performance certified by the student's teacher chair will meet this requirement. Responsibility for assessing the suitability of repertoire to meet this requirement rests with the student's teacher, who will provide evidence of successful performance to the music graduate office.

Comprehensive Review

Prior to graduation, all master's degree students must pass an oral or written examination. It is the responsibility of the student to consult with the major field department to ascertain the procedures established within that department. This consultation should be accomplished within the first year of residency.

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Major Field Requirements (21 Credits)

Applied Lessons¹	V900	Voice Graduate Major (3-8 credits per enrollment)	12 credits
	I500 and/or I501	Studio and/or Departmental Masterclass (0 cr—concurrent with enrollment in V900, if applicable)	
Literature	M531	Song Literature III (3 cr)	6 credits
	M532	Song Literature IV (3 cr)	
Pedagogy	E594	Voice Pedagogy (3 cr)	3 credits
Recitals²	1711	Master's Recital (0 cr) (0 credits x 2 recitals)	0 credit

¹V910 vocal coaching may substitute for a maximum of two credits of V900, with permission of the voice department.

²The first recital requirement (1711 Master's Recital) must be a standard voice recital. The second recital may be a standard or specialized voice recital, or this requirement may be met with opera roles, if approved by the voice faculty.

Major Ensemble

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X70 University Choral Ensemble
(2 credits each fall and spring semester of enrollment)

Music History and Literature Requirement (6 Credits)

Choose two courses from the following list:

M525	Survey of Operatic Literature (3 cr)
M527	Symphonic Literature (3 cr)
M528	Chamber Music Literature (3 cr)
M650	Music in the United States (3 cr)
M651	Medieval Music (3 cr)
M652	Renaissance Music (3 cr)
M653	Baroque Music (3 cr)
M654	Classic Music (3 cr)
M655	Romantic Music (3 cr)
M656	Modern Music (3 cr)
M657	Music Since 1960 (3 cr)
M502	Composers: Variable Topics (3 cr) ¹
M510	Topics in Music Literature (3 cr) ¹

¹Course topics may not be repeated.

Other Required Credits (6 credits)

6 credit hours, inside or outside the Jacobs School of Music. Courses must be at 500 level or higher, except that courses outside the Jacobs School of Music may be at the 300 or 400 levels, with the approval of the director of graduate studies. For students whose degree requires a language as a tool subject, 200-level courses in that language may be used with the approval of the student's degree department and the director of graduate studies. Performance lessons must be at 800 level and may not include lessons on the student's major instrument. Credits may not be used for major ensemble, capstone courses (e.g., thesis, document), recitals, proficiency courses, language requirements, or tool subjects. 6 credits taken within a single department outside the student's major department may become an Outside Area. An Outside Area may become a minor if 12 credit hours are taken in that field.

Language Proficiency

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Vocalists must show knowledge of French, German, and Italian grammar equivalent to two semesters at the college level in each, and proficiency in diction in each language as demonstrated by examination or by passing a Jacobs School of Music diction course. Students must take all three diction exams in the week prior to the beginning of their first semester of enrollment; they may take specific exams for a second time in the week prior to their second semester of enrollment. For any exam not passed, students must pass the appropriate Jacobs School of Music diction course.

Grammar Courses:

- Italian FRIT-M 100 and FRIT-M 150 Elementary Italian I and II (4 cr each) or
FRIT-M 115 Accelerated Elementary Italian (4 cr) or
FRIT-M 112 Italian Through Music (4 cr.)
- German GER-G 100 and GER-G 150 Beginning German I and II (4 cr each) or
GER-G 105 Accelerated Elementary German (5 cr) or
MUS-V 580 Practicum in German for Musicians and GER-V 605
German Grammar and Structure for Musicians (2 cr each, taken together
in the same semester)
- French FRIT-F 100 and FRIT-F 150 Elementary French I and II (4 cr each) or
FRIT-F 115 Accelerated Elementary French (4 cr)

If you took a language at another university, and your official transcript includes the title of the course(s), the credit hours, and a letter grade of “C” or higher, then you may be able to have that language waived. See the Music Graduate Office for details by the end of your first semester of enrollment to have your transcript reviewed.

Diction Courses:

- Italian V150 Lyric Italian Diction (1 cr)
- German V250 Lyric German Diction (1 cr)
- French V350 Lyric French Diction (1 cr)

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