

Application Information

APPLICATION Requirements

The Graduate School and Music Department base admission on a variety of criteria.

To apply to the Graduate School, submit the online Graduate School application and all supporting documents by the appropriate date. Applications completed later than the published deadlines may be considered depending on space and resources available. Late applications that cannot be considered will be updated by the Office of Admissions to a later semester. The following items are required for your application:

- **Official, sealed undergraduate transcripts**
- **a typed statement of career goals and specific reasons for applying to the CSU degree program (2-3 pages)**
- **a narrative essay that considers a current issue facing the field of music education in K-12 schools in the United States (ideally between 5-10 pages in length),**
- **a 35-45 minute Music Teaching video (please include a lesson plan or narrative description including lesson objectives and relevant contextual information)**

Application to the M.M. in any music program is contingent upon admission to the Colorado State University Graduate School.

- A bachelor's degree or its equivalent, with a minimum average of 3.25 (A = 4.0). If your average is below 3.25, you may be considered for conditional admission if sufficient evidence indicates that you can perform well in a graduate program. Students with an undergraduate GPA of less than 3.0 seeking admission to any graduate degree program are required to submit additional information.

Applicants are encouraged to review the Graduate School's Admissions Requirements and Procedures available at: <http://graduateschool.colostate.edu/prospective-students/>

Note: Scores from the general exam of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) are not required for students seeking admission to any Music program. If you are a non-native speaker of English, a minimum TOEFL score of 550 (paper based); 85 (internet based) or an IELTS score of 6.5 required for admission to any music program.

Upon receipt of all application materials, we will contact you to schedule **a personal interview with our Music Education faculty**. Out-of-state applicants may arrange a personal interview by Skype or telephone if needed. For additional questions about the Master of Music, Music Education (in-residence) program, please contact Dr. Erik Johnson (e.johnson@colostate.edu).

Application Deadlines

General deadlines for the receipt of complete applications are as follows:

Fall Semester (March 1)

Spring Semester (October 1)

Exit Exam Requirements

Comprehensive written and oral exams are required for graduation and are completed during the final semester of study. Specific exam requirements are determined by the student's advisor and committee. Please contact your Advising Committee for more information.

ADVISORS

Before the beginning of your first semester, you will be assigned an advisor who will direct your program of study as well as your Graduate Exit Committee for your degree. The name of your advisor will be determined by your program of study:

Dr. Ryan Olsen (ryan.olsen@colostate.edu) – Choral

Dr. Bonnie Jacobi (bonnie.jacobi@colostate.edu) -- Elementary

Dr. Erik Johnson (e.johnson@colostate.edu) - Instrumental