

# MM - Conducting Concentration

The Master of Music (MM) degree, conducting concentration, is designed to accommodate a small number of students (up to four per year) who receive extensive individualized conducting preparation with the university's resident band and orchestra conductors. Candidates have rehearsal/conducting opportunities with both large and small ensembles.

## Admission

Students must have completed a baccalaureate degree in music. Contingent upon admission into the conducting program and the approval of the appropriate conducting faculty member, all candidates should be prepared to:

1. Complete a satisfactory conducting audition conducting a university ensemble;
2. Perform on their primary performing instrument;
3. Demonstrate their understanding of score analysis; and/or
4. Complete a personal interview.

## Program Requirements

The MM degree requires completion of a minimum of 32 graduate credit hours, including a thesis or recital as indicated for the respective concentration. In addition to the core requirements for all MM concentrations, the program culminates in a conducting recital using university students and ensembles. Metropolitan or ad hoc ensembles may be substituted with faculty approval.

Each plan of study must include 12 credit hours in the MM core requirement, including:

Course	Title	Hours
<b>Core Required for all MM Concentrations</b>		
MUSC 852	Introduction to Bibliography and Research	3
MUSC 830	Seminar in Music Theory	3
Select 6 credit hours from the following in history and theory:		6
MUSC 832	Topics in Music Analysis	
MUSC 891	Seminar in Music History pre-1750	
MUSC 892	Seminar in Music History post-1750	
<b>Courses Required for Concentration</b>		
Approved Electives		6
Music or nonmusic courses 500 or above; May include applied lessons, ensembles, languages, etc. Courses must be approved by faculty advisor		
Approved Ensembles — conducting observation laboratories assigned by major advisor		4
MUSP 710B	Wind Ensemble (repeatable)	
MUSP 711A	Orchestra (repeatable)	
MUSP 713B	Symphonic Band (repeatable)	
MUSP 713F	Concert Chorale (repeatable)	
<b>Other Requirements</b>		
MUSP 790C	Special Topics: Conducting	2
MUSP 790R	Special Topics: Score Analysis	2
MUSP 790K	Performance Practicum	2
MUSP 790AD	Rehearsal Techniques	2
Graduate Conducting Recital		

MUSP 873	Graduate Recital (repeatable)	2
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>32</b>

## Examinations

All degree candidates in the School of Music must pass an oral comprehensive examination. The oral comprehensive examination for thesis candidates includes a thesis defense.

## Applied Learning

Students in the Master of Music - conducting concentration are required to complete an applied learning or research experience to graduate from the program. The requirement can be met by a terminal conducting recital (MUSP 873) given in their second year.