

MUSIC DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

Doctor of Musical Arts Degree

- The DMA program requires satisfactory completion of ninety (90) credit hours of approved coursework beyond the Bachelor's degree. In most instances, the first thirty-two (32) of these hours come from the Master's degree.
- All DMA programs, except Composition, require three major public performances (recitals, lecture/recitals, workshops, etc. as required by the specific program) and defense of a written document.
- The DMA Composition requires 2 major public performances and a written document.
- Each student is required to be "in residence" (i.e.: enrolled as a full-time student) for at least two consecutive 16-week semesters (i.e.: Fall and Spring or Spring and Fall).
- Each student is expected to complete all required coursework and at least one major public performance (or more, depending upon the degree program) within four (4) years of taking any coursework beyond the thirty-two (32) hours of the Master's degree. At that time, the student must pass the General Examination.
- Assuming satisfactory completion of the General Examination within the allowed timeframe, the student will have five (5) years from that semester to complete the degree, including any remaining major public performances and successfully proposing, completing, defending, and depositing two (2) copies of the written document in the library and submitting an electronic copy of the document to the Graduate College.

Doctor of Philosophy Degree

- The Ph.D. program requires satisfactory completion of ninety-three (93) credit hours of approved coursework beyond the Bachelor's degree. In most instances, the first thirty-two (32) of these hours come from the Master's degree.
- The Ph.D. in Music Education requires a dissertation.
- Each student is required to be "in residence" (i.e.: enrolled as a full-time student) for at least two consecutive 16-week semesters (i.e.: Fall and Spring or Spring and Fall).
- Each student is expected to complete all required coursework within four (4) years of taking any coursework beyond the thirty-two (32) hours of the Master's degree. At that time, the student must pass the General Examination.
- Assuming satisfactory completion of the General Examination within the allowed timeframe, the student will have five (5) years from that semester to complete the degree, including successfully proposing, completing, defending, and depositing two (2) copies of the written document in the library and submitting an electronic copy of the document to the Graduate College.

For further information, please access the School of Music website or call the Graduate Music Office at (405) 325-5393.