

Graduate Course of Study Suggestions

Choral Track – 36 semester hours of credit

The following options have been created to help graduate students plan their curriculum over the three summers required to complete the Master of Music Education degree program at VanderCook College of Music. Each summer's course of study is designed to provide a balanced workload for the student. **Please note:** all students have the option of completing three six-week residency summers. Taking courses in the MECA program is not mandated.

Option 1

First Summer (12 credits)

Introduction to Graduate Study (2)
Vocal Mechanism 6-12 **OR** K-5 (2)
Secondary General Music Methods 6-12 (2)
Curriculum & Administration **OR**
Instructional Design (2)
Residency Elective (2)
Applied study of your choice (1)
Collegiate Chorale (.5)
Chorus (.5)

Second Summer (12 credits)

American Music History **OR** Music History I (2)
Choral Conducting (2)

Choral Arranging (2)
Secondary Choral Methods 6-12 (2)
Choral Literature (2)
Applied study of your choice (1)
Collegiate Chorale (.5)
Chorus (.5)
Master's Project

Third Summer (12 credits)

4 MECA courses of your choice - each worth 3 credits (electives may be completed during a 3rd residency summer)
Written Comprehensive Examination **OR**
Professional Teaching Portfolio

Option 2

First Summer (12 credits)

Introduction to Graduate Study (2)
Choral Conducting (2)
Residency Elective (2)
Secondary Choral Methods 6-12 (2)
Choral Arranging (2)
Applied study of your choice (1)
Collegiate Chorale (.5)
Chorus (.5)

Second Summer (12 credits)

4 MECA courses of your choice - each worth 3 credits (electives may be completed during a 3rd residency summer)

Third Summer (12)

American Music History **OR** Music History I (2)
Vocal Mechanism 6-12 **OR** K-5 (2)
Curriculum & Administration **OR**
Instructional Design (2)
Secondary General Music Methods 6-12 (2)
Collegiate Choral Literature (2)
Applied study of your choice (1)
Chorale (.5)
Chorus (.5)
Master's Project
Written Comprehensive Examination **OR**
Professional Teaching Portfolio

Option 3

First Summer (12 credits)

4 MECA courses of your choice - each worth 3 credits (electives may be completed during a 3rd residency summer)

Second Summer (12 credits)

Introduction to Graduate Study (2)
Music History II (2)
Vocal Mechanism 6-12 **OR** K-5 (2)
Residency Elective (2)
Secondary Choral Methods 6-12 (2)
Applied study of your choice (1)
Collegiate Chorale (.5)
Chorus (.5)

Third Summer (12 credits)

Choral Conducting (2)
Choral Arranging (2)
Curriculum & Administration **OR**
Instructional Design (2)
Secondary General Music Methods 6-12 (2)
Choral Literature (2)
Applied instrument of your choice (1)
Collegiate Chorale (.5)
Chorus (.5)
Master's Project
Written Comprehensive Examination **OR**
Professional Teaching Portfolio