

COURSE SELECTION

FRESHMAN

- Take EDUC 1010, CTMU 1010 in the fall and CTMU 1020 in the spring semester of your freshman year.
- Concentrate on taking University Core coursework

SOPHOMORE

- Take CTMU 2010 in the fall and CTMU 5110 or 5120 in the spring semester of your sophomore year
- Complete Admission to Teacher Education requirements, including passing scores on the Basic Skills Assessments, a background check, the pre-teaching experience, and a professional interview

JUNIOR

- Submit an application for Admission to Teacher Education after completing 45 credit hours in your program
- Progress through Professional Studies and Teaching Field courses
- Focus on completing requirements for Admission to Clinical Residency including required Praxis exams for your program

SENIOR

- Submit application for Admission to Clinical Residency
- Complete any remaining requirements for Admission to Clinical Residency
- Continue taking Professional Studies and Teaching Field courses, including Clinical Residency your final semester
- Submit your teacher certification application

ASK FOR ASSISTANCE

- Check in each term with your academic advisor in Professional Education Services (3464 Haley) to discuss your progress and available support services
- Meet with your faculty advisor to ensure you enroll in the correct music and music education courses in the correct order (Getting to know your faculty advisor helps him/her learn more about your goals)



- Continue to meet regularly with your academic advisor
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- Meet with your faculty advisor as needed to discuss individual progress and program expectations
- Meet with your academic advisor and faculty advisor as needed to ensure all graduation requirements are met
- Ask the Career Center for help in updating your résumé and preparing for job interviews
- Schedule a mock interview through the Career Center

GAIN EXPERIENCE

- Expand your experiences working with K-12 students through campus and community volunteer work (e.g., Best Buddies)
- Complete your required pre-teaching experience in a school setting
- Take advantage of opportunities to observe or shadow professionals in your field
- Take advantage of your course-related field experiences to get to know the music educators in the area
- Use LinkedIn (linkedin.com/alumni) to identify past graduates in your major to arrange informational interviews and shadowing opportunities to gain further insight into your field



- Investigate our clinical residency abroad program (Consortium for Overseas Student Teaching, COST)
- Explore graduate or professional school opportunities
- Attend Education Interview Day
- Participate in other career fairs sponsored by the Career Center

GET INVOLVED

- Join the College of Education Student Council
- Utilize AUnvolve to identify organizations of interest
- Explore how to become involved in professional organizations such as National Association for Music Education (NAfME).



**National Association
for Music Education**

- Apply to become a College of Education Student Ambassador
- Pursue leadership roles in an organization
- Join the National Association for Music Education (NAME) as a collegiate member and attend the Alabama Music Educators Conference in January
- Develop professional relationships during field experiences
- Connect with AU alumni and stakeholders to enhance professional opportunities

CAREER PLANNING

AUBURN UNIVERSITY CAREER CENTER

303 MARY MARTIN HALL | [AUBURN.EDU/CAREER](http://auburn.edu/career)

The music education program is designed to ensure that graduates have the knowledge, skills, and dispositions to help all students learn. The program is clinically based and in compliance with the Alabama State Board of Education's rules for educator preparation. Graduates are eligible to apply for professional educator certification upon program completion.

ELEMENTARY MUSIC TEACHER

MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.M.E.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$30K - \$49K

HIGH SCHOOL INSTRUMENTAL TEACHER

MINIMUM EDUCATION: B.M.E.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$30K - \$49K

SCHOOL COUNSELOR

MINIMUM EDUCATION: M.S./M.A./M.Ed.

ENTRY LEVEL SALARY RANGE: \$31.1K - \$52.3K

These are just three options out of many that music education majors pursue. For more career options be sure to check out "What Can I Do With a Major In..." on auburn.edu/career.