

**Masters in Music Education**  
**Castleton University**

*NOTE: If you would like to join the cohort starting summer 2021, we would encourage you to contact us and to apply as soon as you are ready at: <https://connect.castleton.edu/apply/>*

The only program of its kind in Vermont, Castleton's Master of Music Education (MMEd) emphasizes real world application with courses taught by experienced music educators. The **18-credit core curriculum** will help students expand and develop their classroom and musicianship skills and learn the most current philosophies and methodologies in the field of music education, and techniques for advocating for music and the arts. The pre-Capstone core coursework is primarily concentrated into two summers, to fit in-service teachers' schedules and to offer the best option for district funding. **12 additional elective credits** of "Topics Courses" enable students to direct their own program of study, focusing on topics and skills in which they are most interested.

**CORE COURSES – 18 credits**

Please see the Graduate Catalog at [Castleton.edu](http://catalog.castleton.edu) for course descriptions  
[http://catalog.castleton.edu/preview\\_program.php?catoid=19&poid=1698&returnto=1556](http://catalog.castleton.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=19&poid=1698&returnto=1556)

**Summer 1 (2021)**

**MUS 5010 Philosophies Approaches and Current Issues in Music Education** 3 credits  
*June 29 – July 2, 2021, 8:00am – 4:00pm Synchronous Online*

**MUS 5090 Research Methods in Music Education** 3 credits  
*Online with weekly ZOOM meetings Wednesdays 5:30 – 8:30pm, July 7 – August 11.*

**Fall 1 (2021)**

**MUS 5460 Assessment in Music Learning** 3 credits.  
*Online/ZOOM meetings 5:30 – 8:30pm Wednesday, August 25 – Wednesday, December 15th*

**Summer 2 (2022)**

**MUS 5160 Curriculum Development in Music Education** 3 credits  
*Summer 2022. Typically, the last week of June in person at Castleton University (TBD)*

**MUS 6740 Graduate Seminar** 3 credits            *Online Summer 2022 July/August*

**Fall 2 or later: MUS 7010 Capstone Thesis Project** 3 credits  
*May be taken any semester following approval of the Capstone Proposal but must be completed within 5 years of matriculation.*

**ELECTIVE/TOPICS Courses** (12 Credits – taken at student convenience)

"Topics Courses" make the MMEd program at Castleton unique, and enable the Masters candidate to direct their program of study to their individual interests. Topics courses may be in music areas such as pedagogy, theory, history, world cultures, conducting, applied lessons, performance ensembles, or other areas approved by the Department Chair. Students may also design individual projects to receive Topics Course credit. Topics Courses may be taken at Castleton, through the Castleton Center for Schools, or transferred in from other institutions. All Topics Courses must be approved by the student's Advisor and Department Chair.

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