



DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM & PEDAGOGY | FACULTY OF EDUCATION

Music Education

Situated in spectacular Point Grey in the beautiful city of Vancouver, The University of British Columbia offers exciting opportunities to study Music Education.

BECOMING A MUSIC EDUCATOR

Teaching music in secondary schools is one of the most exciting and rewarding careers in education, as music teachers make an essential and unique contribution to students' lifelong intellectual, physical, and emotional development. Students in school music classes acquire knowledge and skills that enable them to be involved in music as a lifelong interest or to pursue careers in music and related fields. They acquire important insights into culture and history. Many secondary school students and graduates say that their times of learning and performing music in school choirs, bands, orchestras, guitar ensembles, and other music classes have been some of the best times of their lives. It's great to be a music teacher and have such an important impact on students.

DEGREE OPTIONS

Dual Degree: Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Education in Music Education (B.Mus. and B.Ed.)

Bachelor of Education in Music Education (B.Ed.)

Master of Education (M.Ed.)

Master of Arts (M.A.) in Music Education

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Curriculum Studies with specialization in Music Education

COMMENTS FROM GRADUATES

"I have taught music at Point Grey Secondary in Vancouver since 2005, and whatever success I have had began with the B.Ed. program in Music Education at UBC. It prepared me for life as a teacher and made the task of finding employment in Vancouver much easier." *Stephen Fleming, B.Mus., B.Ed., M.Ed.; Point Grey Secondary School, Vancouver, BC*

"The practicum was an incredibly beneficial experience that inspired me from start to finish, allowing me to pass on my passion to the future generation of talented musicians to come." *Silvia Tang, B.Mus., B.Ed., M.Ed.; Garden City, Maple Lane, and Manoah Steve Elementary Schools, Richmond, BC*

"The UBC B.Ed. program in Music Education was a fantastic year with many opportunities to teach, conduct, plan lessons, practice, grow, and lead music classes in a musically diverse cohort; it prepared me with the necessary tools to teach music in Brooklyn, New York, where I've taught Pre-K through 8th Grade ... I remember my time at UBC fondly; the small student cohort, friendly team of professors with tons of experience, and my amazing sponsor teacher have continued to help me grow as a teacher." *Jeffery Mizen, B.A., B.Ed, M.A.; W. L. Morse School, Sleepy Hollow, NY, USA*

BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

[Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Education in Music Education](#)

Students who have completed a Bachelor of Music (B.Mus.) degree can undertake a fifth-year program to earn a Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) degree plus teaching certification in Music Education. In this 11-month program (September through July), students complete general courses in Education as well as specialized courses in Music Education methods. The practicum in schools and the community field experience (CFE) components typically include practice-teaching in both secondary and elementary school music programs in Vancouver, Surrey, Burnaby, Richmond, and regional areas in B.C.

DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM

[Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Education in Music Education](#)

Students complete the Bachelor of Music (B.Mus.) and Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) degree programs *concurrently* over 5 years, graduating with both degrees plus teaching certification in Music Education. The program includes the same general courses in Education, specialized courses in Music Education methods, and the practicum in schools and community field experience (CFE) components as in the 11-month program. Fewer credits are required.

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

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These programs are offered by the Department of Curriculum & Pedagogy (EDCP) in the Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia.

EDCP is an academic unit characterized by theoretical depth, methodological diversity, and innovative and practice-oriented programming.

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