

MUSIC (M.A.): MUSIC EDUCATION (THESIS) (45 CREDITS)

Offered by: Music (Schulich School of Music)

Degree: Master of Arts

Program credit weight: 45

Program Description

The M.A. in Music; Music Education provides an opportunity for studio- and classroom-based teachers and music educators working in other community settings, to explore current issues in music education and to implement their own research studies. Seminars introduce foundations of a range of research methodologies and critical thinking skills. The thesis can be submitted in one of two formats: in-depth monograph-style thesis, or a research-paper-based thesis. Students who prefer to write an in-depth monograph-style thesis will take MUGS 684 Master's Thesis Research 2. as a complementary course. Students who prefer to write a research-paper-based thesis will take two more seminars.

Students admitted to the M.A. in Music; Music Education program who have undergraduate degrees other than the B.Mus.; Minor in Music Education from McGill University, may be required to successfully complete one or more undergraduate course(s) before completion of the Master's program.

Note: For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

Required Courses (27 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
MUGT 610	Seminar - Music Education 1.	3

Thesis Courses

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Course	Title	Credits
MUGS 683	Master's Thesis Research 1.	3
MUGS 685	Master's Thesis Research 3.	9
MUGS 686	Master's Thesis Research 4.	12

Complementary Courses (18 credits)

6-9 credits from the following:

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Course	Title	Credits
MUGT 610	Seminar - Music Education 1.	3
MUGT 611	Seminar - Music Education 2.	3

MUGT 612	Seminar - Music Education 3.	3
MUGT 613	Seminar - Music Education 4.	3

0-6 credits from the following

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Course	Title	Credits
MUGS 684	Master's Thesis Research 2.	6

3-12 credits of seminars, at the 600 level or higher, approved by the Schulich School of Music