

# Master of Music in Music History and Literature

*The Master of Music in Music History and Literature at Baylor University*

The M.M. in Music History and Literature from the Baylor University School of Music offers students the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the manifold traditions, styles and cultural contexts through which music has and continues to define itself.

**Special strengths of Music History at Baylor** in comparison to other colleges and universities include our excellent teaching faculty, our small class sizes, and the personal attention our students receive both in and out of class. The faculty includes specialists in all eras of western music history; these professors also have expertise in Ethnomusicology, Jazz, Latin American Music, and Performance Practice. Students choosing the M.M. in Music History will conduct research under faculty mentors who are engaged in scholarly discourse on national and international levels. Graduates with degrees in Music History from Baylor have gone on to doctoral study at other prestigious institutions and have become Music History professors themselves. Others have become arts administrators and music editors. Several graduates work for education and outreach programs of opera companies.

## **Degree Plan Overview:**

MUS 5320 – Research Methods and Bibliography  
MUS 5302 -- Analytical Techniques  
Four Graduate Music History Seminars  
MUS 5V89 – Thesis (Independent Research Project)  
MUS 5010 -- Academic Division Colloquium (repeated each semester)

Three hours of applied music lessons  
Six hours of Electives  
Ensembles

Total: 33 Hours [Please see the Graduate Catalog for more details: <http://www.baylor.edu/graduate/>]

*Please note that Music History degree candidates must have or obtain intermediate proficiency in a foreign language. Please see the Baylor University Graduate Catalog for more details.*

## **Admission Process**

*To be admitted into the Master of Music in Music History program, you must be accepted by **BOTH** the Graduate School and the School of Music.*

Materials to be submitted to the Graduate School:

- Complete online application. The application can be found at: <https://www1.baylor.edu/graduate/GraduateApplication/>
- Transcripts from post-secondary institutions you have attended
- Graduate Record Exam General Test Scores (GRE)
- TOEFL scores are required for international students.

Baylor University  
Graduate Admissions

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Waco, Texas 76798-7264

Materials to be submitted to the School of Music:

- A writing sample that demonstrates your ability research and write about music. It may be a previously written document (i.e. term paper).
- A statement of intent. Identify your reasons for pursuing graduate work in Music History and the benefits you anticipate deriving from the degree. Also include reasons for pursuing the degree at Baylor University and through the Baylor School of Music.

Documents submitted to the School of Music may be sent electronically during the application process or via U.S. mail. Materials sent through the mail should be submitted to:

Graduate Program Director  
School of Music  
Baylor University  
One Bear Place #97408  
Waco, TX 76798

### **Questions?**

If you have questions about the M.M. in Music History degree, please contact [Laurel\\_Zeiss@baylor.edu](mailto:Laurel_Zeiss@baylor.edu) or [Jean\\_Boyd@baylor.edu](mailto:Jean_Boyd@baylor.edu)