Music Education Advising Facts  
A Guide for Navigating the Bachelor of Science in MUED Curriculum

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All music education students are considered candidates for the BS in Music Education Degree or Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) Teacher Licensing (certifying students to teaching music at the P-12 level in Maryland Public Schools and other states with reciprocal agreements) until they apply to and are admitted into the Music Education degree program, along with meeting the following Music Education requirement:

Additional requirements of the College of Education include the following. (Questions may also be directed to the Center for Professional Practice (CPP), Hawkins Hall, Room 303, 410-704-2567.)

1. Completion of at least 45 earned college units.

2. Earned 2.75 cumulative GPA for all postsecondary institutions attended (applicable to students who matriculated to Towson University prior to Fall, 2017).

3. Earned 3.00 cumulative GPA for all postsecondary institutions attended (applicable to freshmen and transfer students who matriculated to Towson University in Fall, 2017).

4. Completion of a notarized Criminal History Disclosure Statement of criminal background (http://www.towson.edu/coe/centers/professionalpractice/documents/criminalhistory/disclosure.pdf); free notary available in Hawkins Hall, 404F and 303; bring two (2) forms of picture ID) to be filed with the Music Education Division leader.

5. Standardized test scores reflecting one of the following (provide a copy of one (1) of the following tests to the Music Education Division leader):

   → ACT – composite score of 24 (**subject to change)

   → GRE – (Graduate Record Examinations) revised General Test: composite of the combined verbal and quantitative score of 297. Candidates who took the GRE prior to September 2011 will use the old composite score of 1000 math and verbal composite score of 1000
→ **PRAXIS I Scores** before August 31, 2014 will be accepted until August 31, 2017. Minimum Composite score accepted is 527.

**Test takers must meet the criteria listed on [www.mdcert.org](http://www.mdcert.org) for each test.**
(TU help – [https://www.towson.edu/coe/centers/professionalpractice/praxis.html](https://www.towson.edu/coe/centers/professionalpractice/praxis.html))

→ **PRAXIS CORE** after August 31, 2015 – you must pass each category: Reading target = 156, Writing target = 162 and Math target = 150.

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→ **SAT** – taken after 2005, math and critical reading composite score of 1100 (**subject to change**)

→ **SAT** - taken between 4/95 and 2005, math and verbal composite score of 1100.

→ **SAT** – taken prior 4/95, math and verbal composite score of 1000.

If you do not have scores that are applicable, take the PRAXIS CORE [www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org).

If you submitted scores with your Towson University application, you may submit a copy of scores listed on the bottom of your Student Center Page in PeopleSoft. ([Always keep a copy of your scores.](#) You will need them for teaching applications.)

**Praxis Subject Assessments for Music** required for Maryland Teaching Certificate and Licensure (usually completed during student internship (spring term of senior year) ([www.ets.org](http://www.ets.org)).

**State and Federal Criminal Background check REQUIRED before Student Internship.**