School of Music, The Ohio State University

Master of Music in String Performance

The program for the Master of Music in String Performance provides studies for the performer and teacher-scholar. The program requires a minimum of 30 semester credit hours of advanced graduate study after completion of a baccalaureate degree in music with violin, viola, cello, or bass as the major or principal instrument. The applicant must be sufficiently prepared to begin studies at the Music 7802 level. Deficiencies may be removed by additional preparatory course work assigned by the advisor.

The program described below is not rigid. It is intended to indicate both the nature of the course work and the usual elements for fulfilling the requirements for the M.M. degree. The student's actual course work will be designed to provide a well-rounded total program, including depth in the major area and breadth in supportive studies.

The advisor, with the assistance of the Advisory Committee, has the right and the responsibility to determine the content of each assigned advisee's program. At least 50% of the courses must be designated graduate study only (courses at the 6000-8000 level).

SUGGESTED CURRICULUM

I. MAJOR AREA OF CONCENTRATION 18 CREDIT HOURS

Core courses (required)

- Music 7802.31-34 (16) Applied Music (4) repeatable
- Music 7805 (2) Master’s Degree Recital1

II. SUPPORTIVE STUDIES 12 CREDIT HOURS

Required (6)

- Music 7215.01 (1) Symphony Orchestra (4 registrations)
- Music 7208.03 (1) Small Ensemble: Strings (2 registrations)

Course Electives (6):

Complete at least three credit hours of coursework in music theory, analysis and cognition; history and literature; or musicology and ethnomusicology.

Complete at least one of:

- Music 7810.30 (3) Music Pedagogy: String Instruments
- Music 8810.31 (3) String Pedagogy for Applied Teaching
- Music 8895 (3) Practices, Pedagogies, and Philosophies of Teaching

MINIMUM TOTAL SEMESTER HOURS 30 CREDIT HOURS

1 The final Master’s recital serves as the thesis.

2 All students pursuing the Master of Music in String Performance must register for Symphony Orchestra each semester in which they take eight or more hours.

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