Dual-Credit Bachelor of Music + Early Admission Master of Music Education Program

Explanation of the Early Admission MMED Program
This program allows exceptional students to enroll in 9 hours and dual count them toward both the Bachelor of Music Leading to Teacher Certification degree and the Masters of Music Education degree at Texas Tech. These students enroll in the School of Music as well as the Graduate School while they are still undergraduates.

When these students receive their undergraduate BM degrees, they will already have completed up to 9 hours toward either a Texas Tech Masters of Music Education (thesis option; 30 hours total) or a Texas Tech Masters of Music Education (non-thesis option; 36 hours total). Dual-credit students accepted into this program will then have 21 hours remaining (Thesis track) or 27 hours remaining (non-thesis track) to complete the Masters in Music Education at the time they receive their undergraduate diploma.

Specific Hours Required
Dual credit undergraduate hours are limited to the following specific courses:
- 3 hours: MUED 3311 – Curriculum in Education & Music
- 3 hours: MUED 3312 – Method in Education & Music
- 2 hours: Dual credit students must take 4 hours of Music for Children and 4 hours of Band/Orchestra/Choir Techniques. 2 of the 8 hours may be taken for dual credit.
- 1 hour: Secondary instrument as determined by consultation with a music education advisor. This requirement may be fulfilled by enrolling in advanced methods classes or private lessons (private lesson instructor approval required).

- All dual-credit students will meet in the same class with traditional undergraduate students; coursework will include the normal undergraduate requirements as well as additional graduate level work in each course as determined by the course instructor.

Application Process
- Apply using the attached application forms and requirements.
- Apply in October (specific deadlines announced each September) of the semester you are enrolled in your first upper division music education class (usually Music for Children (MUSI 3237). This will allow you to dual count all 9 specified hours.
- Dual credit is not retroactive for courses enrolled in or completed prior to applying; however, you may still apply to take remaining courses for dual credit. For example, if you are currently enrolled in MUED 3311 you may NOT dual count that course, but you are still eligible to apply to the program and count MUED 3312 for dual credit. This will allow you to dual count less than 9 specified hours.

Enrollment Process
- Once admitted to the BM+MMED program, you will meet with the Chair of Music Education prior to registering each semester. Enrollment for BM+MMED will be completed through individual advising.

Further Details
- All 9 dual-credit hours will count as electives in the MMED program. See attached information regarding MMED Thesis Track (30 hours) and MMED Non-Thesis Track (36 hours).
- Students who enter the combined program, but later withdraw may use the dual credit hours of graduate classes already taken for completion of their undergraduate program.
- Students who enter the combined program may complete the MMED degree through contiguous or non-contiguous enrollment. Upon graduation, students may elect to complete the MMED degree in our summers-only program, during traditional long terms, or in a combination of the two while still maintaining a public school teaching position.
- These hours are applicable only to the Masters of Music Education degree at Texas Tech University. Other universities may or may not honor these hours as transfer credits; we cannot guarantee that they will do so.
Application for Admission Consideration
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Name ______________________________________________________      Date ________________________

Email ______________________________________________________   R# __________________________

Instrument ______________________________________________

Major (circle one):        MUTC      or      MUTC + Other Major __________________________ (specify)

Total Undergraduate Semester Hours Completed ________________
(Include hours enrolled during current semester)
(Total must be 60 or more for application to Graduate School)

Overall GPA ________________
(3.2 is minimum requirement for this program)

GPA in Music Courses _______

Required Materials (please attach)
These procedures are the same as those required of all applicants to the music education graduate programs at Texas Tech University.

1. Two letters of recommendation.
2. Essay of intent. Discuss your career goals and why this program would be of benefit to you
3. Resume. Include both college and high school activities.
4. Evidence of scholarly writing. Attach an extended paper that represents your best writing.
5. Video (DVD or thumb drive) of your teaching (optional, but recommended).
6. Transcripts. Unofficial university copies are acceptable.
7. Music Ed Faculty Review applications. Applicants will be notified by email of their admission status. If you are not admitted to this program you may still apply for graduate admission after you receive your undergraduate degree.