

# B.A. Music Education | Major Map

## 2022 GRADUATE CAREER OUTCOMES

Based on information from 100% of graduates

**100%** Secured Employment

**100%** Admitted Into Graduate School or Professional Program

## POPULAR CAREERS

- Band director
- Choir director
- Fine arts coordinator
- K-12 music teacher
- Music therapist
- Music arranger/composer
- Entertainer/performer
- Private instructor
- Music critic
- Music admission specialist
- Nonprofit organization director

## POPULAR EMPLOYERS

Public & private school districts, colleges & universities, fine arts museums, private businesses, music & entertainment business, nonprofit organizations

## SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES

- **Internships**
  - Arts South Dakota
  - Augustana ensembles
  - Levitt at the Falls
  - Gloria Dei Lutheran Church
  - Surrounding school districts
  - South Dakota Symphony Orchestra
  - Washington Pavilion of Arts & Science
  - Pinnacle Productions
- **Example Research Topics**
  - Four Directions: Music Production
  - The History and Influence of the Spanish Zarzuela
  - A Study of Women Composers Through Song
  - The Connected lives of Composers: An Examination into the Lives of Vivaldi, Bach, Bizet, Saint-Saens, de Falla, Strouse and Bernstein
- **Service Learning**
  - Augustana Annual Band Festival
  - Sioux Falls Arts Council
  - AU Jazz on the Upper Great Plains
- **Study Away**
  - AU Faculty-Led: AU Band in Spain
  - AU Faculty-Led: AU Choirs — Carnegie Hall Performance



## WHY STUDY MUSIC EDUCATION?

Inspired by the Lutheran liberal arts tradition of excellence in music, the music education program provides a comprehensive education that challenges and prepares music majors for professional careers and graduate study. All students are offered the opportunity to study and perform in a nurturing environment. Large and chamber ensembles are available in choral/vocal and instrumental studies. Choral, band, symphonic, operatic, solo, chamber and jazz are some of the varied ensemble opportunities for AU students. All ensembles are open to the campus community, and there are more than a dozen performing groups engaging music of all eras and styles. Keyboard majors rehearse and perform on the highest quality concert pianos and organs. Many of our faculty artists take the time to work with major and non-major students.

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## EMPHASIS OPTIONS

Choral/Vocal | Instrumental

### FIRST YEAR

### MIDDLE YEAR(S)

### LAST YEAR

#### EXCEL ACADEMICALLY

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review SOPHIA and program requirements with your academic advisor.</li><li>• Review your degree audit report, and create a plan of study in Academic Planner.</li><li>• Review the Music Handbook.</li><li>• Enroll in EDUC 110, MUSI 095-098, 120L, 121L, 152, 153, 160s and 191.</li><li>• Participate in FYS 112 to confirm your major, hear from upper-level students about signature experiences and chart a personalized plan for your engagement.</li><li>• Choose or confirm your major(s) or minor(s).</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore interdisciplinary minors or elective credits that interest you.</li><li>• Contact the Student Success Center to declare any second majors or minors.</li><li>• Engage in practicum experiences based on your class requirements.</li><li>• Participate in music performances.</li><li>• Secure admission into the education program.</li><li>• Work with your applied instructor and faculty advisor to apply for upper-division screening exam by the end of fourth semester.</li><li>• Achieve piano proficiency by the end of fourth semester.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Apply to graduate by Oct. 1, and review the degree audit provided by the Registrar's Office.</li><li>• Take Praxis exams.</li><li>• Complete your student teaching.</li><li>• Participate in music performances.</li><li>• Apply for the Honor in Music Award.</li></ul> |
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#### ENGAGE & APPLY YOUR LEARNING

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Access your Viking Central account. Participate in campus activities such as Augustana student chapter of the American Choral Director's Association or student chapter of the National Association for Music Education.</li><li>• Explore student organizations sponsored by the School of Music.</li><li>• Explore study-away opportunities at the study-away fairs.</li><li>• Create an account in Augie Opportunities.</li><li>• Participate in choral and instrumental ensembles.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attend the Sophomore Retreat.</li><li>• Engage in campus clubs such as the Ukulele Club or Hip Hop Club and gain relevant summer employment.</li><li>• Participate in the alumni mentor program.</li><li>• Consider elite scholarship opportunities, such as the Fulbright, Rhodes or Truman.</li><li>• Earn the Diversity Advocate Certificate.</li><li>• Apply for Knight Internship Funds and ASA transportation funds. Pursue elite fellowships.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• During the summer, take standardized exams (e.g., GRE), and share your application to graduate or professional schools with your advisor and CAP specialist for feedback.</li><li>• Attend the BIG (Business, Industry &amp; Government) and Teacher Job Fairs.</li><li>• Participate in mock interviews and networking events.</li><li>• Complete the career outcome survey to update us of your employment or enrollment in graduate school.</li><li>• Join the Augustana alumni community.</li></ul> |
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**CHART YOUR COURSE TODAY!**

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