

During Freshman year:

- In order to be fully admitted to the College of Education's Initial Teacher Preparation Program in the future, you must eventually demonstrate minimum test scores for basic skills in math, reading, and writing. For most students, this means documenting official scores from the general SAT with a Math minimum sub-score of 530 and Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing minimum sub-score of 480. If you do not currently meet these minimums, you likely will need to take the SAT. It is also possible for ACT (if taken before October 2017) and Michigan Merit Exam scores to count as evidence of basic skills. See an advisor for details.
- Consider taking SPGN 251 and EDPS 322 before formal admission to the teacher education program. You are also strongly encouraged to take MUED 180 during the Freshman year.

After Sophomore year:

Once you have earned 56 credits (at least 12 earned at EMU), you should apply to Phase 1 of the Initial Teacher Preparation Program in the College of Education.

Minimum Admission Criteria to Phase 1 of the College of Education:

<http://www.emich.edu/coe/students/undergraduates/admissions.php>

Admission to the College of Education's Initial Teacher Preparation Program is now split into two phases, the Phase I application and the Full Admission application. To apply online, complete the Phase I application:

<http://www.emich.edu/coe/forms/itpp-phase-one-application.php>

- Completion of 56 credit hours
- Meet EMU grade point average (GPA) requirements of:
 - An overall EMU GPA of 2.5 or higher based on a minimum of 12 credit hours taken at EMU
 - An EMU GPA of 2.5 or higher in the major, based on at least one course. OR Transfer to EMU with 56 credits and a cumulative transfer GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- A grade of "C" or higher in the following courses (if taken):
 - WRTG 121
 - CTAC 124
 - quantitative reasoning
 - one lab science
 - professional education courses (MUED 180, SPGN 251, EDPS 322)
- Passing **at least one** of the subareas of the Professional Readiness Exam, Basic Skills (BSK), ACT, SAT or Michigan Merit Exam.
 - Official scores from the general SAT (If taken after March 1, 2016) with either a math minimum sub-score of 530 or Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing minimum sub-score of 480. Scores from the MTTC Basic Skills Test, Professional Readiness Exam, ACT, or Michigan Merit Exam may be used as well. *See an advisor for details.*

- Provide an ICHAT criminal background check and Statement of Civil/Criminal Convictions. A person may be denied admission based on a civil/criminal conviction issue. Students with issues will provide:
 - A copy of the Judgment of Sentence, or Registrar of Actions, or Certification of Conviction.
 - A written explanation of the offense(s)
- Documentation of attendance at Group Advising Session

After Admission to the Phase 1 of the College of Education's Initial Teacher Preparation Program:

- Before taking Phase 1 Professional Studies courses, you must first complete the "Pre-Admission Phase" courses (EDPS 322, MUED 180, SPGN 251).
- If you have already completed "Pre-Admission Phase" courses, start taking Phase 1 Professional Studies courses (follow the sequence shown in the catalog):
 - MUSC 330 (MEDV—Vocal Music Education) OR MUSC 332 (MEDI—Instrumental Music Education)
 - SOFD 328W
- While taking MUSC 330/332, begin completing pre-student teaching observation hours.
 - 100 hours (total) of pre-student teaching with K-12 populations completed prior to applying for student teaching.
 - of these, 60 structured" hours will be included in the methods courses (MUSC 330-334)
 - remaining 40 hours are "on your own." All hours must be earned within 3 calendar years of when you plan to student teach and MUST BE DOCUMENTED in the FEME booklet--log pages. See music education faculty regarding hours and sites.

After Completion of Phase 1 of the College of Education's Initial Teacher Preparation Program:

Once you have completed Phase 1 coursework (MUSC 330/332 and SOFD 328W) AND meet minimum test scores in the areas of math, reading, and writing, you should apply for Full Admission to the Initial Teacher Preparation Program in the College of Education.

Minimum Criteria for Full Admission to the College of Education's Initial Teacher Preparation Program:

<http://www.emich.edu/coe/students/undergraduates/admissions.php>

Full admission to Teacher Preparation Candidacy requires:

- Current Phase I admission.
- A grade of "C" or higher the curriculum class required for your major (MUSC 330 OR 332).

- A grade of “C” or higher in SOFD 328W.
- Official scores from the general SAT (taken March 1, 2016 or later) with a math minimum sub-score of 530 and Evidenced-Based Reading and Writing minimum sub-score of 480. Scores from the MTTC Basic Skills Test, Professional Readiness Exam, ACT, or Michigan Merit Exam may be used as well. *See an advisor for details.*
- A Dispositions Review from your curriculum instructor.

To apply online, complete the Application for Phase 2 Teacher Preparation Candidacy:

<http://www.emich.edu/coe/forms/itpp-phase-two-application.php>

After Full Admission to the College of Education’s Initial Teacher Preparation Program:

- Complete Phase 2 Professional Studies courses:
 - LTEC 330
 - RDNG 311
 - MUED 331 (MEDV) OR MUED 333 (MEDI—Strings) OR MUSC 334 (MEDI—Band)
- Apply to student-teach by the appropriate due date:
 - Fall Student Teaching--application due January 15
 - Winter Student Teaching--application due June 15
- See more information here:
 - [\[http://www.emich.edu/coe/students/undergraduates/student-teaching.php\]](http://www.emich.edu/coe/students/undergraduates/student-teaching.php)
 - Music teacher certification requires passing of MTTC Test #99—Music. Plan to take this test when you have completed (or will have completed at the end of the current semester) 90% of your required coursework. (For most students, this is during the student-teaching semester.)
 - Certification is recommended by EMU and requires passing grades "SC" in both EDUC 496 & 497 (student-teaching); a final criminal background check; completion of all degree requirements; proof of CPR training (Red Cross); and your MTTC Test #99—Music score.
 - It takes the state a while to issue certificates so know that EMU issues a "90 day letter" verifying your status in the event you get a job offer or wish to sub.
 - Your Music Teaching Certificate (JQ) certifies you to teach any music offering: general, vocal, or instrumental in a K-12 setting. LEARN ALL YOU CAN WHILE AT EMU!

Certification Exams:

In order to be certified in the state of Michigan, students in all curricula must pass the appropriate subject area from the Michigan teacher Certification Examination. Instrumental and Vocal students must pass the music subject area examination, which is given four times a year. Apply through the College of Education.

<http://www.michigan.gov>

<http://www.mttc.nesinc.com>

<http://www.rea.com>

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