

KODALY CERTIFICATE

The Kodály graduate certificate program is designed provide music educators with an opportunity to enhance their pedagogical skills with a program that promotes music literacy through experiential learning in singing, movement, and reading activities. The program may be completed as a stand-alone certificate, or concurrently with the Master of Music-Education concentration. The Kodály program—named for the methods developed by Zoltán Kodály, a Hungarian composer and ethnomusicologist—includes courses that provide classroom applications of the method, folksong literature research, conducting experiences, and instruction in solfege.

Program Related Information

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Program Website (<http://www.unomaha.edu/college-of-communication-fine-arts-and-media/music/>)

Admissions

General Application Requirements and Admission Criteria (<http://catalog.unomaha.edu/graduate/admission/>)

Application Deadlines

- Spring 2026: November 15
- Summer 2026: April 15
- Fall 2026: June 15

Other Requirements

- Student must have an undergraduate degree in music from an accredited institution and have an undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0 or a GPA of 3.0 or better in all music courses.
- If the student does not have an undergraduate degree in music, the student must take the School of Music Graduate Diagnostic Exam before enrolling in any graduate courses in order to determine which undergraduate foundation courses may be necessary.
- **English Language Proficiency:** Applicants are required to have a command of oral and written English. Those who do not hold a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from the United States, **OR** a baccalaureate or other advanced degree from a predetermined country on the waiver list (<https://www.unomaha.edu/office-of-graduate-studies/admissions/entrance-exams.php>), must meet the minimum language proficiency score requirement in order to be considered for admission.
 - Internet-based TOEFL: 80, IELTS: 6.5, PTE: 53, Duolingo: 110
- **Resume**

Degree Requirements

| Code | Title | Credits |
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| Core Courses | | |
| MUS 8670 | KODALY I: METHODOLOGY | 3 |
| MUS 8680 | KODALY 2: METHODOLOGY | 3 |
| MUS 8690 | KODALY 3: METHODOLOGY | 3 |

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| MUS 8720 | KODALY 1: MUSICIANSHIP | 1 |
| MUS 8730 | KODALY 2: MUSICIANSHIP | 1 |
| MUS 8740 | KODALY 3: MUSICIANSHIP | 1 |
| Select Track One or Two: | | |
| Track One | | 4 |
| MUS 8710 | KODALY 4: METHODOLOGY AND ADVANCED STUDIES | |
| MUS 8770 | KODALY 4: MUSICIANSHIP | |
| Track Two | | |
| Electives in Music (The electives are approved by the graduate advisor during the advising process) | | 3 |
| TOTAL | | 15-16 Hours |