

Texas State University
School of Music
M.M. – Music Education

Emphases in Latin Music

Background Studies (either taken prior to M.M. studies, or to complete before graduating):

- Proficiency equivalent to 2 years of Spanish in High School OR the first two semesters (1410 & 1420) of Spanish at the college level (all students in this emphasis must pass the proficiency exam in Spanish through the Texas State Modern Language Department)

Core Studies (12 credits):

- MU5334 Introduction to Graduate Studies in Music
- 1 “traditional” Music Literature course (choose from MU5310, MU5314, MU5320, MU5340, MU5360)
- History and Literature of Latin Music
- MU5350 Musical Styles

Major Field (12 credits):

- MU5324 Music Curriculum & Methods
- MU5325 Research in Music Education
- MU5326 Foundations of Music Education
- MU5327 Advanced Conducting

[Latin Music] Electives (12 credits):

NOTE: The smaller number of credits is the minimum number of credits a student must take in that specific category.

Ensemble Elective (3-5 credits)

- Mariachi Ensemble (1 credit) – up to two semesters
- Salsa Band (1 credit) – up to two semesters
- Jazz Band (1 credit)

Instrumental Elective (1-2 credits)

- Guitaron / Vihuela Class (1 credit) [new graduate course number]
- Afro-Cuban Hand Drumming (1 credit)

Arranging Elective (3-6 credits)

- Mariachi Arranging (3 credits) [new graduate course number]
- Salsa Arranging (3 credits)

Techniques Electives (2-4 credits):

- Mariachi Methods (2 credits) [new graduate course number]
- Salsa History & Methods (2 credits)

NOTE: The Final Music Education Project must be completed as part of one of these courses.

1-Hour Oral Exam