Overview
Take your teaching, conducting, and musicianship to new heights with this unique program that combines an online curriculum with hands-on experience. Designed for elementary, secondary, and independent music educators this degree features on-campus participation in the annual Colorado Kodály Institute as an exclusive two-week residency each summer.

The courses you’ll take online cover theory and research, while the on-campus summer institutes offer important interaction and the opportunity to apply the techniques and methods you’ve been studying. Upon completion of this program, you’ll not only have your master’s in music education, but through the summer institute, you’ll have earned national Kodály music teaching certification as well.

The annual Colorado Kodály Institute includes applied course sessions taught by some of the most prestigious music pedagogues from around the country. The curriculum introduces the philosophy and teachings of Hungarian music educator, Zoltán Kodály, and emphasizes concepts like:

- Enjoyment as a motivating force in learning.
- The importance of a sequential music curriculum.
- Use of folk song, folk dance, and game literature to teach musical concepts.
- Cultural heritage, music, and musical literacy.

Completion of the Kodály program can lead to opportunities throughout regional, state, and national music teaching organizations, such as the Organization of American Kodály Educators (OAKE), and the National Association for Music Educators (NAfME).

Delivery
Online and on campus

Credits
30 credits

Tuition
$530 per credit; financial aid is available

Time Frame
Can be completed in 2 ½ years

Degree Awarded
Master of Music in Music; transcript reflects the music education specialization and national Kodály teaching certification

Offered By
School of Music, Theatre and Dance

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Minimum Admission Requirements

- Bachelor’s degree in music from a regionally-accredited institution
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on all undergraduate coursework
- Applicants should be state-licensed music teachers. (Exceptions may be made by department on a case-by-case basis.)

Completion Requirements

- Applicants must apply and be admitted by both the Graduate School and the Department of Music, Theatre, and Dance to begin this degree program.
- You are required to complete a summer residency program on campus each summer and 15 online graduate-level credits. During your final semester of coursework, you must successfully complete a written and oral examination before the master’s degree is awarded.

Curriculum

Through this graduate degree, you will take a variety of courses that cover topics such as pedagogy and folk song literature, folk song analysis and retrieval, conducting, Solfège/musicianship, and choir.

On-campus summer courses

- MU 526A – Kodály Training Program Level I (5 cr.)
- MU 526B – Kodály Training Program Level II (5 cr.)
- MU 526C – Kodály Training Program Level III (5 cr.)

Online courses

- MU 510 – Foundations of Music Education (3 cr.)
- MU 518 – Analytic Techniques II (3 cr.)
- MU 534 – Music of the Romantic Era (3 cr.)
- MU 630 – Methods of Music Research (3 cr.)

Electives (3 cr.)

- Electives vary each semester; you will work with your advisor to choose approved electives.

You may be required to take additional coursework as determined by diagnostic examinations and/or your graduate advisor.

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