ACADEMIC LEARNING COMPACT

Music Education, B.M.E.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Music Education Program of the Music Department, at the University of West Florida, to provide for our students the highest quality courses and clinical experiences, using the latest materials and trends in music education, as we prepare them to become highly qualified teachers, who attain their P-12 Florida Certification.

Student Learning Outcomes

The student graduating with a Bachelor of Music Education will be able to:

Content

• Recognize effective curriculum, identify best practices in pedagogy and performance, and implement this knowledge in instruction.

Critical Thinking

• Analyze, select, and perform musical literature and curriculum that is high quality and level appropriate.

Communication

• Articulate and sequentially plan clear musical and classroom objectives leading to a comprehensive music curriculum.

Integrity/Values

• Develop personal, professional, and artistic integrity.

Diversity Skills

• Demonstrate empathy, foster a classroom climate of openness, and master educational strategies to effectively teach all students.

Assessment of Student Learning Outcomes

Music Education students are expected to maintain an electronic portfolio using the TK20 software. Students are expected to achieve levels of competency representative of their level of study in applied music. Jury exams are required each semester to assess student progress and constitute 50% of the final applied grade. The portfolio will be reviewed at each jury exam. Admission to the Junior Level (Advancement Exam) must be approved by the faculty at the end of the sophomore year. The students will be interviewed at the advancement exam to assess their progress in the music education program. The students will be evaluated by both a University coordinator and Supervising teacher during their semester of student teaching and are expected to create concise, understandable lesson plans.

Job Prospects for Music Education Graduates

High School/Middle School Band Director High School/Middle School Choral Director Elementary Music Specialist Studio Musician Church Musician Music Retail Private Music Studio

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