MASTER OF MUSIC, MUSIC EDUCATION
EARN YOUR INITIAL NEW YORK STATE TEACHING CERTIFICATION

Bachelor's Degree Requirements: Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree in music from an accredited college or university. Applicants to the Master in Music Education degree must have a Bachelor of Music degree or another Bachelor of Music degree with teacher certification. However, international students may apply with a music degree other than the Bachelor of Music in Music Education degree, but only if they are seeking a Master of Music degree in Music Education without New York Certification (this option is only available to international students.) Alternatively, for students who have a Bachelor of Music in an area other than Music education, and who are interested in achieving both teacher certification and a Master of Music in Music Education degree, The Crane School of Music offers a combined certification and a Master of Music in Music Education degree.

GPA Requirements: A minimum undergraduate grade point average of 3.0 is required to qualify for full admission. Additionally, a minimum undergraduate core music grade point average of 3.0 is required for full admission.

If you are applying for a graduate assistantship and/or scholarship, the application deadline is March 2nd for Fall admissions. All materials must be received by that date, including any audition videos; live auditions must have been completed by our final audition day (March 10, 2018) as well. For all other students, the deadline for for Fall admission is May 1st, and the deadline for Spring admission is November 15th. International students will not be accepted to begin in the Spring semester except under unusual circumstances.

2+2 Master of Music Education
Applicants who have teaching positions and are therefore unable to attend in the fall and spring semesters may complete the degree in as few as two summers, with as few as two additional Online courses.

- Completed online application (visit www.potsdam.edu/graduateapplication)

- *Letter of intent-Expressing how the program fits your professional goals. Specific attention must be given to the program guidelines, and the document should be no greater than three pages.

- Two letters of recommendation-Professional/Academic references only that address your readiness for graduate study and potential for success as an educator. Personal references will not be accepted.

- Transcripts from all institutions previously attended-Unofficial copies will be accepted for the purpose of admissions decisions, however official copies must be received after commitment to enroll is received. Transcripts showing a conferred bachelor’s degree are required for full admission.

- *Curriculum vitae/resume

- GRE General Exam scores-Required only if seeking initial NYS certification. (Score goals for admission are as follows: Quantitative-149, Verbal-147, Writing-3.0) or MAT scores (Score goal for admission is 390.)

- A video of the candidate teaching a class or conducting a rehearsal, or a live or video audition on the applicant’s principal instrument. For further details on audition requirements and video-upload instructions, visit [https://www.potsdam.edu/academics/ Cranes/o/graduate_studies/education]

- Academic writing sample-an essay or college-level paper that demonstrated the student's ability to organize ideas, research a topic, and write in an academic style. The essay must be word processed, well documented and include a bibliography.

- International applicants must visit [https://www.potsdam.edu/amissions/graduate/apply/international] for detailed information related to degree and language proficiency.

*May be uploaded along with the graduate application