

Temple University Boyer College of Music

M.M. Choral Conducting Matriculation Procedures

Program enrollment is limited to four students per year, for a maximum of eight graduate students in residency at a time.

ENTRANCE TO THE PROGRAM:

For the University

Complete Temple University Graduate School Application as instructed. Temple University Graduate School Applications **must** be submitted prior to the audition date, and include all Letters of Recommendation, official transcripts, and official TOEFL scores for international applicants.

For the Choral Department

Submit a current resumé

Submit a pre-audition videotape

- The candidate must submit a ten-minute VHS/DVD/CD-ROM of a recent rehearsal or performance he or she has conducted. If possible, please have the camera show a front view. The performance level of the choir is not significant. Please label the VHS/DVD/CD-ROM with your full name and briefly describe the ensemble or ensembles recorded. Include introductory remarks not to exceed three minutes if possible. This tape will not be returned to you.

After reviewing of the aforementioned items, the Choral Department will contact candidates by mail to schedule an audition. Two audition dates (normally late February or early March) are available.

Live audition (3 parts) *

- Conduct/rehearse the Concert Choir for 15-20 minutes, using literature currently in the repertoire of the group **and** literature new to the group. This music will be sent to the candidate prior to the scheduled audition.
- A written diagnostic examination covering composers, repertoire, and terminology.
- A personal interview with the Director of Choral Activities and the choral faculty.

* If geographic considerations make it impossible for a live audition, the Department will consider probationary acceptance as a non-matriculated student for one semester. This is a rare occurrence, and will happen in only the most compelling circumstances.

Once Admitted:

Diagnostic Examinations

- See the Graduate Bulletin for details

Course requirements

- Complete the course requirements as shown in the curriculum.

Master's Recitals

- In the second year of residency, the candidate will present two public concerts, with material chosen by the candidate and approved by the Department Chair.

Oral Examination

- Given by the choral faculty. This examination is taken during the final semester of study.