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Music teacher training programme

MALMÖ ACADEMY OF MUSIC



Are you a good musician, and enjoy teaching music to children?

Then you can apply for the Music teacher training programme at Malmö Academy of Music.

IS IT EASY TO GET A JOB AS A MUSIC TEACHER?

All students in Sweden's elementary schools (grundskola) study music. In high school (gymnasium) students can continue to study music in an aesthetic programme. In addition, most municipalities (kommuner) in Sweden have a culture school (kulturskola), where children study music. There are also music programmes at many of the Sweden's residential colleges for adult education (folkhögskola). Therefore, many music teachers are needed and the job market looks good.

Today, the average salary for a music teacher in Sweden is approximately SEK 33,000 a month before tax if you work full time.

Many music teachers also play concerts with different music groups when they are not teaching. Then they usually work as freelancers and get paid per concert.

You can also choose to become a music teacher and a teacher in another subject, like mathematics, religion or English. Then it will be easier to get a full-time job at the same school.

FINANCING YOUR STUDIES

The Swedish Board of Student Finance (CSN) helps you with grants and study loans. Read more at: www.csn.se

OUR PROGRAMMES

We offer three programmes you can choose between:

- Music teacher training programme
- Additional pedagogical training for musicians
- Culture school teacher education

Music teacher training programme

The Music teacher training programme is a five-year long university programme. You will study your main instrument a lot and you will learn how to play in an ensemble. You also study other music subjects, such as music theory and choir. You will learn how to teach music to other people. You will also learn about pedagogy, which is the method and practice of teaching. You will do an internship, where you get to try teaching music in different schools.

Do you want to become a teacher in music and in another subject, for example mathematics, religion or English? Then you study the second subject for a year and a half during the Music teacher training programme. You study the second subject at Lund University.

When you apply for the programme, you choose a specialisation. The specialisation depends on the type of music you want to play. You can choose between:

- Folk and world music
- Western Classical music
- Jazz music
- Rock and pop music
- Singer/songwriter (here you write your own songs)
- Song, mixed genres (many different kinds of music)



HOW TO GET ACCEPTED

First of all, it is important to know that, if you want to study our Music teacher training programme, you must be able to speak, read and write at university level in Swedish.

In addition, to be able to apply for the programme, you must have:

- General entry requirements (grundläggande behörighet) to study at the university. Read more at: [universityadmissions.se](https://www.universityadmissions.se)
- Specific entry requirements: you must have completed studies in Social Studies, level 1B/A, and English, level 6/B. You can do this in upper secondary school or in the municipal adult education (vuxenutbildning). It is important that you have these qualifications because the Music teacher training programme is not just about being able to play and sing. You need to be able to read and write a lot as well, both in Swedish and English.
- You must also have a good knowledge of music to pass the admission tests.

ADMISSION TESTS

We use admission tests, so we know that you are good at music. You must pass the following tests:

- Performance test on your main instrument. That test looks different, depending on which of the specialisation you apply for. Read on the website. For several of the specialisations, you must be able to play to sheet music.
- You must be able to sing three songs and accompany yourself on piano or guitar.
- You must take a music theory test. This is the same for all specialisations. You need to know the basics of Western music theory. This means you must be able to read and write music and understand how chords and harmony work. On our website you will find old tests that show you what you need to know.

Other options

Have you already studied to become a musician? Do you want to get a diploma so you can work as a music teacher, too? Then we have two programmes you can choose from. You must have the general entry requirement and the specific entry requirements for both programmes. Just like the Music teacher training programme.

PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING FOR MUSICIAN

This programme takes one and a half years to complete. Here you do not study any music subjects. Instead, you study pedagogy, which is the method and practice of teaching. You will learn how to teach your instrument to other people. You will also do internships in different schools. After the programme, you can get a job in any school as a music teacher.

CULTURE SCHOOL TEACHER EDUCATION

This programme takes one and a half years to complete. This is a useful programme for you, if you want to work in one of Sweden's many cultural schools (kulturskola). You will learn about how it is to work at a cultural school and the Cultural school teacher education will make it easier for you to get a job there. But it does not give you a qualification to teach in a regular school. You can also study this programme if you are an actor or a visual artist.

If you are not eligible for university studies yet

Do you not have the general entry requirements and the specific entry requirements from upper secondary school? Then you must first get it. We are not allowed to accept you otherwise.

Maybe you have the necessary knowledge, but you do not have any documents to prove it? In that case, you can apply for something called 'actual competence' (reell kompetens). It is a way for you to show that you have the knowledge needed. You fill in a special application for this when you apply for our programmes.

Maybe you already have a university degree from a country outside of the EU, and you also have the documents to prove it? Then you can get it evaluated (ekvivalerad). That means that the authorities look at what your degree corresponds to in the Swedish system. Read more and get help at: uhr.se

Do you need to learn more about playing music and about music theory before applying to any of our programmes? Then there are courses at other schools you can take. If you are planning to attend upper secondary school (gymnasium), you can study an aesthetic programme with a focus on music. If you have already finished upper secondary school, you can apply for a music course at a residential college for adult education (folkhögskola). Read more at: www.folkhogskola.nu

Do you have the general entry requirements but need to learn more about music first? Then you can take one of our independent preparatory courses. They are good if you want to learn more about music in order to pass the admission tests.

DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

Contact Lena Hallabro (lena.hallabro@mhm.lu.se). She oversees the admission to our programmes.

DO YOU WANT TO BE A MUSICIAN INSTEAD?

Do you not want to work as a music teacher, but study to be a musician instead? Then you can attend one of our Performance programmes in Music.

WELCOME WITH YOUR APPLICATION!

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