Music Education Convocation

September 8th, 2017
Field Experience

• **How do students obtain placement for field experience?** (part of methods endorsement)

• Complete the Field Experience Request Form (FERF) by **September 15**\(^{th}\) if you are going to participate in field experience for the Fall 2017 semester.

• The FERF form is located at the College of Education website: Education Preparation Office EPO)

• Direct link: [https://cehd.gmu.edu/endorse/ferf](https://cehd.gmu.edu/endorse/ferf)
Field Experience

• You have four choices when applying for field experience. The first two choices will apply to undergraduate music education majors.

  – Choice #1: I request the clinical practice specialist to arrange a placement for my field experiences (including observations and/or case studies).

  – Choice #2: I have been assigned a placement by my program/instructor for my field experiences (including observations and/or case studies).
Field Experience

• If you know where you would like to conduct your field experience (choice #2), let Dr. Ciorba (instrumental) or Dr. Billingham (vocal) know in advance.
Student Teaching

• Placements outside of FCPS
  – Memorandum of agreement is needed.
Can our students choose their own placements?
– No. School district divisions find placements.
Are You Student Teaching This Spring?

- **Spring 2018 Internship Dates**
- Eight-week internships
  - **First Session:** January 16, 2018 – March 9, 2018
  - **Second Session:** March 12, 2018 – May 4, 2018
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• Follow the calendar of your host school division in regard to holidays and spring break, not the Mason calendar.

• Spring internships are often impacted by school cancellations due to weather. As such, please begin to accumulate direct instruction hours toward your license as early as possible (to the extent of your mentor teacher’s comfort level).
Are You Student Teaching This Spring?

• Paperwork that needs to be completed by Sept. 15
  1. Complete the Application for Student Teaching
     • Direct Link
       https://cehd.gmu.edu/teacher/internships-field-experience
  2. All endorsement courses must be completed
  3. All testing must be completed
  4. CPR training (get online and get in a class)
     • Direct Link:
       https://cehd.gmu.edu/teacher/emergency-first-aid
Are You Student Teaching This Spring?

Paperwork needs to be completed by Sept. 15 continued

5. TB test within the last 6 months
6. Dyslexia training module on VDOE website (not required for student teaching but it is required for licensure)

Please note, the College of Ed. can work with you if you are missing a single test, but all endorsement courses must be completed prior to student teaching.
Are You Student Teaching This Spring?

• It is **highly recommended** that you arrange an appointment with Lynn Wildman, and have her conduct a degree audit.
Student Teaching Placements

• When do you find out specific info regarding actual placement information?
  – No fixed date. Supply list is completed by early October
  – Actual placements will be announced by Thanksgiving or sooner