

**2018-2020 EDUCATIONAL SKILL REQUIREMENTS**  
**Bandmaster**  
**Subspecialty 4700**

1. Curriculum Number: 999
2. Curriculum Length: 12 - 18 Months
3. GRE/GMAT Required: No
4. The officer must understand the fundamental concepts and be familiar with the basic function areas of Wind Band Conducting within the Department of the Navy and the Department of Defense including:
  - a. ***Applied Conducting***: In-depth study in podium leadership/advanced technical skill to permit real-time conducting of *major symphony*-level ensembles with demonstrated understanding of complex rhythms/time-signatures; legato, staccato, marcato articulations; beat patterns; cues; fermatas; dynamics; expression; phrasing; and preparation (anacrusis) of beats and entrances; and thorough knowledge of standard band literature.
  - b. ***Music Analysis & Score Study***: Theoretical and analytical study of music providing an understanding of form, harmony, style, composition, counterpoint, and phrasing; traditional techniques used in preparing to rehearse ensembles for performance of new pieces. Thorough understanding of traditional band instrumentation, including individual instrument ranges and limitations.
  - c. ***Music History***: Practical understanding of composers and their compositions with respect to style, genre, tradition, and performance; identification of significant periods in music history (i.e., Baroque, Classical); their relationship with earlier periods/impact on later styles.
  - d. ***Wind Band Ensemble Literature***: Thorough knowledge of music for band in composition, transcription, arrangement; practical knowledge of music publishers and their material, including standard wind ensemble repertoires.
  - e. ***Knowledge of Research Techniques***: Thorough understanding of standard resources including bibliographies, Internet; and standard historical material.
  - f. ***Interpretation***: Thorough understanding of standard literature and their associated styles including *modern, traditional, classical, and jazz*.
5. **Approved Schools List**:
  - a. University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
  - b. Arizona State University
  - c. Indiana University at Bloomington

d. University of Georgia at Athens

e. University of North Texas at Denton

APPROVED:   
Director, Fleet Band Activities

11 Mar 2019  
Date

APPROVED:   
PRESIDENT, NPS

21 MAR 2019  
Date

APPROVED:   
Director, TFTE (OPNAV N12)

10 JUN 15 2019  
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