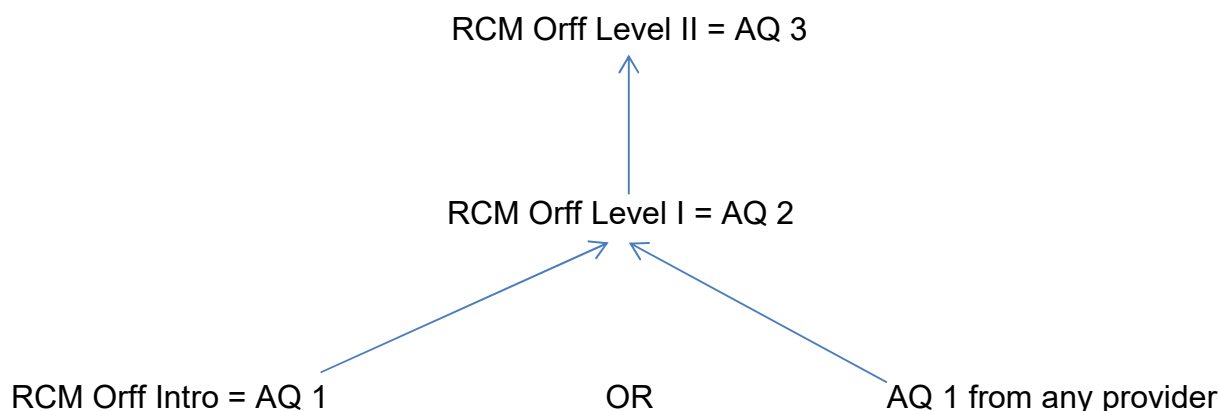


Additional Qualifications in P/J Vocal Music and Orff

Under the governance of the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE), Orff courses at the Royal Conservatory can be taken as Ontario College of Teachers Additional Qualifications for Primary/Junior Vocal Music, Parts 1, 2, and 3. For OISE's purposes these courses are called the **Additional Qualifications in P/J Vocal Music – Focus on Orff – Parts 1, 2 and 3**.



For course availability, see www.rcmusic.ca.

AQ applicants register separately with BOTH institutions before commencing the course. All usual regulations for AQ courses apply. AQ candidates complete additional course components within a flexible schedule to cover all OCT expectations for these courses.

For details, contact Aqcoordinator@rcmusic.ca.

- For AQ in P/J Vocal Music Part 1, register for Introduction to Orff
- For AQ in P/J Vocal Music Part 2, register for Orff Level 1
- For AQ in P/J Vocal Music Specialist, register for Orff Level 2

Register online with OISE at <https://cpl.oise.utoronto.ca/>
Select REGISTER ONLINE, then enter the search term “Orff”.

FAQs

I have the music qualifications to enter Level I Orff. Can I skip the Introduction to Orff and still get credit for AQ parts 1 and 2?

Unfortunately the College of Teachers does not have a process for recognizing your prior training. You must take the Introduction to Orff or AQ Part 1 from another provider if you want to complete your AQs.

I have the music qualifications to enter Level I Orff but I am taking the Introduction to Orff to get AQ part one. Will I be bored?

The overwhelming consensus from previous participants is that this course provides valuable training for those with prior musical training. The practical emphasis on creative strategies for the classroom, thoughtful presentation of issues in music education and exciting repertoire drawn from a wide variety of world cultures are valuable to both the novice and the experienced musician.

I took AQ part 1 from another provider. Can I go directly into Orff Level I to complete my AQ part 2?

Yes, providing you have the musical qualifications.

I took AQ parts 1 and 2 from another provider. Can I go directly into Orff Level II to complete my AQ part 3?

No, you must have Orff Level I in order to take Orff Level II.

When and to whom do I pay the \$100 fee to complete the AQ?

When you register for the Orff course at www.rcmusic.ca, register online with OISE at <https://cpl.oise.utoronto.ca/>. Select REGISTER ONLINE, then enter the search term "Orff". You must register with OISE within a week of starting your Orff course.

If you are taking Orff Level I/AQ Part 2 or Orff Level II/Specialist you will also need to send in a teaching experience form to OISE. This form is linked to the OISE registration page.

Are there additional assignments for those who are doing their AQs?

Yes. You will be asked to complete additional readings and some short culminating assignments over a number of weeks. These are submitted to the Coordinator of Additional Qualifications at the RCM and/or are completed online. When you have completed all requirements, please advise Aqcoordinator@rcmusic.ca. She submits your name to OISE after the assessment process; you will receive feedback and a confirmation of completion from the RCM evaluator.

How and when does the Ontario College of Teachers register the AQ?

OISE will advise the OCT when you have successfully completed all course components and the College will enter the completion on your teaching certificate. This usually takes about 2 months from the time you submit your final assignment. There will be no direct notification to you, but you can check your status at www.oct.ca.

I completed my Orff Levels before they were recognized as AQs. Can I get retroactive credit?

No. However, if you are not A4 you can ask QECO for recognition of AQ equivalency (one AQ for Orff Levels 1 and 2 together, then a second AQ for Level III). *This equivalency does not get recorded on your teaching certificate* but it does count towards category upgrade.

I am a pre-service teacher (or planning to complete my teaching qualifications in the near future). Can I start, or even complete, my AQ part 1 before I am an OCT?

No, you must have completed your teaching qualifications before you start the AQ course.

Further questions? Please contact: Aqcoordinator@rcmusic.ca