

ESMAR Program

Extended Study Musicianship and Repertoire

Assessment: 1 hour and 30 min.

GOLD Curriculum Requirements

- 1. **Major Scale Routine**—All keys: includes parallel octaves, 3^{rds}, 6^{ths}, 10^{ths}, and contrary motion with musical shape. Quarter note = MM 92
- 2. **Minor Scales (all forms)**—All keys: hands together, 4 octaves up & down with musical shape in all keys. Quarter note = MM 100
- 3. **Arpeggio Routine**—All white keys, Ab, plus 1 black key of student's choice. Starting on the same note, play the following 4-octave arpeggios.

Quarter note = MM 80

Major Tonic (I); Minor Tonic (i); Major flat submediant (bVI); Relative Minor (vi); Major Subdominant (IV); Minor Subdominant (iv); Major Seventh (Maj. 7, Ma 7, M7, Δ , Δ 7); Dominant Seventh (on the key of) (V7); Minor Seventh (min7, mi7, m7, -7); Half-Diminished Seventh (\varnothing 7, mi7(b5); Diminished Seventh (dim7, \circ 7); Augmented Triad (I+); and Major Triad (I).

- 4. Chord Progression—All keys: play twice, labeling chords on repeat ("1—Tonic—C Major").
- 5. **Rhythm Reading**—Tap and count a two-handed rhythm with polyrhythms, asymmetrical, and mixed meters.
- 6. **Sight Reading**—Read a Bach chorale, an excerpt from a little-known sonatina, and a short piece in Contemporary style (see OMTA list of Contemporary idioms). Examples found on OMTA website.
- 7. **Harmonization**—Harmonize the following songs by ear. The adjudicator will pick the song and key.

 1) *Happy Birthday* in the keys of F & G Major. 2) *The Star-Spangled Banner* in the keys of G and Ab Major. 3) *America the Beautiful* in the keys of Bb and C Major.
- 8. Lead Sheet—Realize a lead sheet of a folk tune or Christmas carol. Examples found on OMTA website.
- 9. Transposition—Transpose a short musical excerpt into any key. Examples found on OMTA website.
- 10. Form & Harmonic Analysis—Analyze a required classical piece in sonata-allegro form. Submit with registration.
- 11. **Music History**—Select a composer whose music you are studying and give a 5-minute speech on how the compositional style reflects the society in which they lived. Consider the political climate, technological innovations, religious movements, ethnic influences etc.
- 12. **Repertoire***—Prepare one of the following programs (25-30 minutes of music):
 - Perform five pieces representing four of the five periods: Baroque, Classical, Romantic, Impressionistic, Contemporary. Four of the five pieces must be memorized. One piece may be a concerto movement (memorized with accompanist).
 - Perform a complete concerto (written for piano & orchestra) by a major composer with an accompanist. The concerto must be fully memorized and contain at least three movements. A short piece (memory optional) from a different period may be added to fill the time requirement.
- 13. **1-Hour of Community Service**—Play at a church, an assisted care facility, a school, store, airport, public place etc. Or donate some piano lessons to an individual or group. Record the date/time/location of your teaching/performing and include your lesson plan/assignment or pieces performed on the Community Service Form. Submit form with required signatures along with your registration.

^{*}All repertoire must be at or above OMTA Syllabus Level 10. Do not use repertoire previously performed in OMTA Syllabus unless it is a Level 10 piece that was not performed by memory. That piece may be used as an ESMAR memorized piece.