Level 4

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

OVERALL REQUIREMENTS	SCALES	CADENCES/CHORD PROGRESSIONS	CHORDS
Level 4 All elements must be performed	A E♭ B♭ Major □ = 2 octaves and	A E B Major I - IV - I - V - V7 - I use the common tone	A B Major Primary first, then secondary, root position
Elements may be played in any order	c g natural and	with legato pedal	A Major g minor
All Hands Together	harmonic minor	i - iv - i - V - V7 - i use the common tone	Broken triads to
4:30 minutes to perform	\Box = 2 octaves	with legato pedal	the octave, root position
Minimum Scale tempo:	Chromatic scale, contrary motion, 1 octave, thumbs begin on D		and inversions, up first, then down

THEORY REQUIREMENTS

Be able to write elements, recognize them individually, and recognize them in musical excerpts. The student is responsible for all theory elements from Preparatory Level through Level 4.

Tonality

1. Scales and key signatures: C G D A E B F# F Bb Eb Ab Db Gb Major a, e, b, d, g, c minor, natural and harmonic

2. Names and Roman numerals of scale degrees in Major keys:

I - Tonic

V - Dominant

ii - supertonic

vi - submediant

iii - mediant

viiº - leading tone

IV - Subdominant

Lines must be placed above and below Roman numerals for Major chords, such as ▼, and lower case

Roman numerals must be used for minor and diminished chords, such as vi or vii^o. 3. Intervals: Perfect and Major, ascending and descending, on: C G D A E B F# F Bb Eb Ab Db Gb; Wind

4. Chords/triads:

- a. Triads: Major and minor, blocked and broken in root position and inversions, labeled R, 1st, 2nd (optional figured bass is acceptable) on: C G D A E B F B E
- b. Diminished triads in root position: C G D A E B F B
- c. Roots of inverted triads
- d. Primary triads in the keys of: C G D A E F Major; a harmonic minor
- e. Secondary triads in Major keys: C G F

f. Dominant 7th chord, root position (identify by name - Dominant 7, Dominant Seventh, Roman numeral V7)

in these keys: C G D A F B E on these roots: C G D A E F B

g. Cadences: authentic, half, plagal, root position & common tone, single staff: C G D A E F Major

Time and Rhythm

Be able to:

- identify notes and rests with their names
- give the number of beats each note will receive
- write counts using numbers
- match notes and rests of the same value
- determine the time signature for a rhythm
- add missing notes or rests to a measure
- add barlines to a rhythm

Rhythms such as:



Signs and Terms (Definitions are on page 47)

andantino

...etto

allegretto

...ino

presto

tr trill

cantabile

parallel Major and minor

espressivo

transposition

leggiero

meter

subito

imitation

articulation

HISTORY

Know the four periods of music history in order: Baroque, Classical, Romantic, 20th/21st Centuries

EAR TRAINING REQUIREMENTS (12 questions; included on written theory test)

- 1. Identify Major and Perfect intervals up to and including an octave, ascending and descending, blocked and broken.
- 2. Identify the difference between Major and minor triads in root position, blocked and broken.
- 3. Hear the difference between repetition and sequence.
- 4. Identify a simple four-measure melody in Major or minor.
- 5. Be able to hear the difference between 2/4 and 3/4 meters.
- 6. Be able to hear the difference between legato and staccato touch.
- 7. Be able to hear the difference between Presto and Andantino, and between Adagio and Allegro.

SIGHT-READING REQUIREMENTS

Be able to sight-read Level 2 music. All skills from previous levels may be included, with the addition of being outside of a five-finger position, the use of dotted quarter notes, and some syncopation. Students will have 30 seconds to preview the example.

IMPROVISATION REQUIREMENTS (Optional)

Students may perform an optional Improvisation at their CM Evaluation. Improvisation is an optional performance segment. Any improvisation may be played during the performance portion of the evaluation.

• Improvisation is not rated by the evaluator.

- Improvisation is limited to 5-60 seconds in length, as listed in the CM Syllabus according to the CM level.
- Improvisation is done in addition to and not in place of the other required segments of the CM evaluation (technique, sight-reading, and repertoire). Students must prepare the entire technical requirements as indicated for their level. All segments (including improvisation) need to be performed within the appropriate evaluation length of each level.

• Improvisation may be from any resource and is independent of a student's registered CM level.

REPERTOIRE REQUIREMENTS

Repertoire requirements for Level 4 begin on page 109.