

Towson University – Department of Music

Proficiency Levels for Applied Lessons

Discipline: VOICE

General Information:

- The stated proficiencies below apply to all students taking lessons in the particular discipline.
 - Level of difficulty for specific repertoire will be adjusted based upon the student's degree program.
 - These proficiencies are the minimums for a passing grade in the discipline.
 - Any student wishing to take 300-level applied lessons must successfully pass an upper division jury demonstrating the proficiencies as articulated below.
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Proficiencies for a 1-credit lesson

Each semester the student will be required to prepare and perform one major and one minor scale at their jury.

Freshman Level – First Semester

- Major and Minor Scale
- 2 new and memorized selections

Freshman Level – Second Semester

- Major and Minor Scale
 - 2 new memorized selections
 - ◆ Must include 1 selection in a foreign language
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Sophomore Level – First Semester

- Major and Minor Scale
- 3-4 New and Memorize Selections
 - ◆ Must include 2 selections in a foreign language

Sophomore Year – Second Semester

- Major and Minor Scale
- 4-5 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ Must include selections in English, Italian, French and German languages
 - ◆ Music Education Majors ONLY: Must perform at least a 4-measure recitative

Upper Division Jury (end of 2nd semester sophomore lessons)

- Proficiency in all material assigned in the first two years

Junior Level

- Major and Minor Scale
- 4-5 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ Must include 3 selections in foreign languages
- Junior recital (*required based upon degree program*)

Senior Level

- Major and Minor Scale
 - 4-5 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ Must include 3 selections in foreign languages
 - Senior Recital (*required based upon degree program*)
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Proficiencies for a 2-credit lesson

Each semester the student will be required to prepare and perform one major and one minor scale at their jury.

Freshman Level – First Semester

- Major and Minor Scale
- 3 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ 2 English or 1 English and 1 Italian

Freshman Level – Second Semester

- Major and Minor Scale
- 4 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ At least 1 selection in a foreign language

Sophomore Level – First Semester

- Major and Minor Scale
- 4-5 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ At least 1 selection in Italian and 1 selection in German or French

Sophomore Level – Second Semester

- Major and Minor Scale

BS Degrees:

- 5 New and memorized selections plus a 16-measure recitative
 - ◆ Must include selections in English, Italian, French, and German languages

BM Degree:

- 6 New and memorized selections plus a 16-measure recitative
 - ◆ Must include selections in English, Italian, French, and German languages

Upper Division Jury (end of 2nd semester sophomore lessons)

- Proficiency in all material assigned in the first two years.

Junior Level

- Major and Minor Scale

BS Degrees:

- 5 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ At least 4 selections in a foreign language that may include Latin, Russian, or Spanish

BM Degree:

- 6 New and memorized selections plus a 16-measure recitative
 - ◆ At least 4 selections in a foreign language that may include Latin, Russian, or Spanish
- Junior recital (*required based upon degree program*)

Senior Level

- Major and Minor Scale

BS Degrees:

- 5 New and memorized selections
 - ◆ At least 4 selections in a foreign language that may include Latin, Russian, or Spanish

BM Degree:

- 6 New and memorized selections plus a 16-measure recitative
 - ◆ At least 4 selections in a foreign language that may include Latin, Russian, or Spanish
- Senior Recital (*required based upon degree program*)