PIANO PROFICIENCY MUS 167

ALL STUDENTS TRANSFERRING TO UNLV FROM ANY OUTSIDE INSTITUTION MUST MEET WITH MRS. VALERIA ORE TO DETERMINE THEIR LEVEL OF PIANO EXPERIENCE. THIS IS REQUIRED FOR PLACEMENT INTO THE APPROPRIATE FUNCTIONAL PIANO CLASS. E-mail is: valeria.ore@unlv.edu

Students achieving a grade of “B” or higher at the end of each semester in all four levels of Functional Piano will be exempt from taking the Proficiency Exam at the end of their studies.

The Piano Proficiency Exam will be given two times per year during the final exam week of both the Spring and Fall semesters. A sign up sheet will be on the door of HFA 213 (Piano Laboratory) two weeks before the exam.

EXAMINATION CONTENT AND PROCEDURE

1. Prepare any major, harmonic minor scales, and arpeggios from memory, two hands together with correct fingering (quarter note = 138).

2. Prepare major, minor triads, and inversions from memory, hands together with correct fingering.

3. Prepare a selection from J. S. Bach's 101 Chorales as directed by instructor.

4. Harmonize a melody in the right hand and a block chord accompaniment in the left hand which requires a V7/V.

5. Transpose a melody with the distance of no more than a major third up and down.

6. Sight-read a short piece that is at the appropriate level.

7. Perform a prepared piece of accompanied music that is either vocal or instrumental at the intermediate level.

8. Perform anthems of “America” and “The Star Spangled Banner” with introduction, and tempo suitable for singing.
Eb Major Scale

Eb Major Arpeggio

C Harmonic Minor Scale

C Minor Arpeggio

Ab Major Scale
Inversions

OR
Christus, der ist mein Leben.

Puer natus in Bethlehem.
O Ewigkeit, du Donnerwort.

Ach Gott und Herr.

Du Friedensfürst, Herr Jesu Christ.
America

Smith/Carey

Moderately

My country 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty.

Of thee I sing; Land where my fathers died

Land of the Pilgrims' pride! From every mountain side

Let freedom ring!
Star Spangled Banner

Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early light, what so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming, Whose broad
struck through the perilous night, o'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming And the rockets' red glare, the bombs
bursting in air, gave proof through the night that our flag was still there. Oh, say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave o'er the
land of the free and the home of the brave.