

Piano Audition

The piano audition will consist of the following:

- You will be asked to play along with ***pre-recorded tracks**. There are four songs in four different grooves, with two versions (tracks) for each song. One version of the song includes your instrument, and the other version will be minus your instrument. Use the first version to get an idea of style, and use the second version to actually practice (play along with). Throughout each song, pay attention to where you should keep rhythm, and where you should improvise as the solo instrument. Tracks and charts (chord charts) can be downloaded online at www.lscpacm.com. (Hard copies of both charts and tracks on CD are available in the Commercial Music office.)

***Pre-recorded tracks** are as follows. Click the song title to download the MP3. Each song has two versions. The first has ALL instruments so that you can get an idea of style and determine where you should comp (play chords or rhythm) and where you should take a solo riff. Use this as only a reference to get an idea of the tune. We want you to play the groove and feel. Do not feel that you have to literally copy the piano track.

The second version is without piano. This version without piano is the one you want to play along with and practice with

Funk	"Funky Stuff" "Funky Stuff" no piano
Bossa	"Lady from the Island" "Lady from the Island" no piano
12/8 Ballad	"Locked Down Harmony" "Locked Down Harmony" no piano
Swing	"Most of Me" "Most of Me" no piano

- Additionally, you may be asked to sight read, if you express an ability to read music. You will jam with the audition team. This is not a requirement for entrance; it just gives us further information which will be useful in advising and guiding you through the degree program.
- Simple form blues
- Be prepared to play several major scales. (2 octaves – 2 hands)

Printed Charts (music) You Will Need

Anyone audition on GUITAR, DRUMS, PIANO, or BASS GUITAR will be required to play four songs. Download the printed music (chord charts) for these songs below and print them out.

Printed Charts (to match the MP3 recordings):

[Most of Me](#)

[Funky Stuff](#)

[Lady from the Island](#)

[Locked Down Harmony](#)