

Comprehensive Exam Requirements, Guide, and Application

As a music major, all students will be assessed in the 4th semester of applied music study. A transfer student may apply for an adjusted timeline if he/she has completed multiple semesters of applied study. An adjusted timeline requires the approval of the applied instructor and Comprehensive Exam Committee.

The comprehensive exam consists of 3 components:

- Grade of C or above in MUS 162: Musicianship II and MUS 182: Beginning Theory II
- Overall GPA of 2.75 or higher
- Jury performance for the applied area faculty meeting the required performance rubric score.

Students will have two attempts to pass their Sophomore Comprehensive Exam. If only the performance portion of the exam is failed, the students will have an opportunity to retake the performance portion of the exam and continue to take the upper division (300 and 400) level MUS courses provisionally within one semester. If a student fails the exam twice he/she will need to change his/her major.

Students will fill out the application form and attach a copy of their Degree Works report, which can be accessed through ECU Direct. *The form and attached documents should be turned in to the faculty area coordinator in your major area on November 15th in the Fall semester and April 1st in the Spring semester.*

Comprehensive Exam Application

Name of Student_____

ID Number_____

Local Address_____

Telephone Number_____

Email Address_____

Instrument/Voice_____

Applied Teacher_____

Major: ___ Music Education
 ___ Theory-Composition
 ___ Performance
 ___ Music Industry
 ___ Music Industry-Recording Arts
 ___ Performance-Pedagogy

Overall GPA_____

****Area Coordinators**

Brass: Dr. Mick Sehmman

Guitar: Dr. Dennis Davis

Percussion: Dr. Jason Koontz

Piano: Dr. Richard Crosby

Strings: Dr. Nathan Jasinski

Voice: Dr. Richard Waters

Woodwinds: Dr. Larry Nelson

****Attach a copy of your college Degree Works report and submit by
November 15th (Fall applicants) or April 1st (Spring applicants)****