Pop Music Electric Bass Auditions – University of Oregon SOMD

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An audition is required for any students wishing to be considered for Studio Electric Bass lessons (MUP 165 or MUP 365).

Audition Materials:

1. Scales

With a metronome set at 60 beats per minute, perform any of the twelve major scales as requested, ascending and descending. All of these should be performed in eighth notes and span a total of two octaves. For students who demonstrate proficiency at the 8th note subdivision, you may be asked to perform these at a 16th note subdivision.

2. Bassline Excerpts

Perform the basslines of the following songs to the best of your ability with the original recording.

- Mac Miller What's The Use
- Stevie Wonder You Are The Sunshine Of My Life
- Marvin Gaye and Tammi Terrell <u>Ain't No Mountain High Enough</u>

3. Music Theory

Answer some questions orally about music theory as it pertains to Popular Music. Questions may cover topics such as:

- a. Recognition of chord qualities/symbols
- b. Recognition of intervals
- c. Identifying key signatures
- d. Modes of the major scale