

Audition Requirements - UoC College of Music

GUITAR

Prepare 3 pieces to be played with rhythm section and at least one etude. The repertoire should consist of pieces in different styles (jazz, latin, funk etc.) Prepare songs in different tempos, keys and rhythms. Improvisation is a substantial part of your playing.

You can bring your own rhythm section or band. Upon request UoC College of Music will provide a rhythm section (bass player and drummer) for you. You need to bring good charts of the pieces that you prepared.

You need to show:

- affinity with the styles you play, (latin)jazz and Caribbean music in particular
- ability to improvise, playing at least one piece of the jazz repertoire (American song book)
- good feeling for timing and intonation
- major and minor scales over at least two octaves
- arpeggios based on three and four-note chords
- ability to sight-read a simple theme
- simple chord combinations, knowledge of the 'basic' jazz voicings and their application on the basis of chord symbols
- perform etudes: W. Leavitt, The Guitar: A Modern Method (Boston, 1970, Berklee Press) or material of an equivalent grade