

# Department of Music

## Graduate Study Application Checklist

- 1. Submit an on-line application for graduate admission on [CSU Mentor](#).
- 2. Submit your non-refundable application fee and university transcripts to the Office of Admission. (Prospective international applicants should see the [University's International Student Admission's](#) page.)

### Submit the following documents in paper form to the Department of Music

- 3. Application for graduate study.
- 4. Statement of purpose (typed, double-spaced; no more than three pages).
- 5. Two letters of recommendation.
- 6. Evidence of your abilities in the area of emphasis you wish to pursue as a graduate student:
  - a. Composition: a portfolio of the scores of 3-4 representative compositions for various combinations of instruments and voices, preferably with an audio or video recording of the works.
  - b. Music Theory: a research paper on a music theory or an analysis with commentary of a substantial musical composition. Your submission should display your ability to clearly discuss analytical or theoretical issues.
  - c. Music History: a 10-12-page research paper on any topic of music history or another academic area of music. This paper should display your ability to write thoughtfully and with clarity about issues in music.
  - d. Performance: schedule an audition at the Department of Music that includes at least two contrasting examples of compositions at the senior undergraduate-level of difficulty. Audition recordings (audio or video) will also be accepted upon approval from the graduate coordinator.
  - e. Music Education: a copy of your California Teaching Credential and a portfolio of evidence of a minimum of two years fulltime teaching at the K-12th grade levels, or a minimum of three years fulltime teaching at the K-12th grade levels without the Credential.
- 7. Submit the required documents by the deadline, **May 15, 2012**:

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