EASTMAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC
UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER

DESCRIPTION OF THE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

The Certificates of Achievement are available to both undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled in the University of Rochester/Eastman School of Music. The Advanced Certificates of Achievement are available to graduate students currently enrolled in the University of Rochester/Eastman School of Music.

ADMISSIONS PROCEDURES

In order to be admitted to a certificate program, please submit your completed application to the program director. Upon approval by the program director, a signed copy of the first page of the application must be returned to the appropriate office (Academic Affairs or Graduate Studies). This process applies to all of the certificate programs listed below. Specific requirements for each program can be found at online at www.esm.rochester.edu/certificates.

**For application to the Arts Leadership Program, please visit https://iml.esm.rochester.edu/alp/.

PROGRAM OF INTEREST: _____ URID _____

Name _____
Family (Last) Name Given (First) Name Middle Name

Mailing Address_____
Street City State Zip

Phone _____ Email _____ Major instrument_____

Current Degree Program _____ Current applied teacher (if applicable) _____

Certificates of Achievement	Submit to:	Contact information:
Chamber Music	Elinor Freer	efreer@esm.rochester.edu
Performance Practice	Paul O'Dette	podette@esm.rochester.edu
World Music	Anaar Desai-Stephens	adesai-stephens@esm.rochester.edu

Advanced Certificates of Achievement	Submit to:	Contact information:
College and/or Community Music Teaching	Donna Brink Fox	dbfox@esm.rochester.edu
Ethnomusicology	Anaar Desai-Stephens	adesai-stephens@esm.rochester.edu
The Art of Improvisation	Dariusz Terefenko	dterefenko@esm.rochester.edu
Early Music	Paul O'Dette	podette@esm.rochester.edu
The Pedagogy of Music Theory	Elizabeth Marvin	bmarvin@esm.rochester.edu

SIGNATURES		DATE
Program Director		
Associate Dean of Academic Affairs (for Undergraduates)		
Sr. Associate Dean of Graduate Studies (for Grad Students)		

THE ADVANCED CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT IN THE PEDAGOGY OF MUSIC THEORY

This Advanced Certificate of Achievement offers a course of study for current Eastman students interested in exploring and advancing their skills in teaching music theory, in preparation for a career that combines performance and teaching. The Advanced Certificate of Achievement consists of course work and mentored teaching experiences, and is open to all ESM graduate students (MM, MA, DMA, and PhD). Its requirements can be met under the electives category of the DMA, usually without adding time to degree completion (if begun early enough). If added to an existing master's degree, it is likely to take an additional year to complete.

In addition to this form, the applicant must submit an ESM transcript (unofficial is acceptable) and a 2-page personal statement describing his/her experience with teaching and with music theory, as well as the applicant's motivation to pursue the Advanced Certificate of Achievement. A recommendation from at least one Eastman professor is also required, preferably from a professor in Music Theory. Typically, applicants will already have completed 1-2 theory courses at Eastman (beyond TH 117-118).

After reviewing the applications, faculty will invite a select group of students to interview for the Advanced Certificate of Achievement. Applicants must demonstrate skills in sight-singing and error detection, keyboard (sight-reading, figured bass, harmonic progressions), and at-sight analysis—as well as good pedagogical instincts in conversation with the faculty. The interview may be waived for current Theory TAs.

No more than four students will be accepted into the certificate program each year. Students who are interested in applying are urged to contact Professor Elizabeth Marvin (bmarvin@esm.rochester.edu).

For certificate requirements, please visit: https://www.esm.rochester.edu/certificates/music-theory-pedagogy/

To apply, please submit the following materials to Professor Elizabeth Marvin by February 15.

- This form
- Transcript
- Personal Statement
- List of Theory Courses taken at ESM and the instructor(s)

COURSE	INSTRUCTOR