

Music 232 Keyboard Demonstration

In order to have a better understanding of applied voice-leading, music 232 students will be required to play (on piano/keyboard) the following examples of simple, 4-part progressions in major and minor keys.

In addition, you must be able to sing (while playing all parts) the equivalent of the tenor part (bottom voice of the right hand) using movable-do solfege (do=major-key tonic, la=minor-key tonic). The line can be sung in any register that is comfortable (transposing a line up/down an octave is acceptable according to your voice range).

An audio example is available on the syllabus. You can mark up this page as you see fit to aid in your performance. It is recommended that you bring a (annotated if necessary) paper copy of this to your performance – reading off of a phone screen usually does not produce good results.

Your performance will be graded, and everyone will have a chance to redo their performance if need be.

This is all you have to play and sing:

musical notation for a 4-part progression in C major. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The notation shows a grand staff with treble and bass clefs. The right hand (treble clef) has a tenor part (bottom voice) that starts on 'sol' (G4) in the first measure. The left hand (bass clef) has a bass part (bottom voice) that starts on C3. The progression consists of five measures: I, ii⁶, I₄⁶, V, 7, and I. A bracket under the I₄⁶ and V chords indicates a voice-leading connection.

C: I ii⁶ I₄⁶ V 7 I

musical notation for a 4-part progression in a minor key. The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#) and the time signature is 4/4. The notation shows a grand staff with treble and bass clefs. The right hand (treble clef) has a tenor part (bottom voice) that starts on 'mi' (E4) in the first measure. The left hand (bass clef) has a bass part (bottom voice) that starts on A2. The progression consists of five measures: i, iv⁶, i₄⁶, V, 7, and i. A bracket under the i₄⁶ and V chords indicates a voice-leading connection.

a: i iv⁶ i₄⁶ V 7 i