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THESIS/DISSERTATION





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EXAMINATIONS BY THESIS/DISSERTATION

Availability

Examinations by thesis/dissertation are available in the Diploma Division only: Associate, Licentiate and Fellowship.

Subject

The subject chosen must be connected with music or the arts generally.

Synopsis/Diploma Level

A synopsis of the thesis must be submitted to the Director of Studies before formal entry application is made. It will be assessed and some guidance given as to the level of diploma considered appropriate. The candidate may state, however, the diploma level desired. It is not necessary to achieve Associate before Licentiate, or Licentiate before Fellowship. Direct entry is acceptable.

Length of Thesis and Presentation

For Associate we require 10,000 words; for Licentiate 15,000 and Fellowship 20,000 words.

The work should be typed or computer printed and must be bound - a loose-leaf binder is acceptable. Alternatively, It may be emailed as a PDF document to the Director of Studies: wilsona@nat-col-music.org.uk

The thesis must be accompanied by a bibliography and a signed statement by the candidate to certify that it is his/her own unaided work.

The submitted work will be retained by the College after examination.

It is not acceptable to present a dissertation which consists totally or partly of photocopied pages from a source book, paper, or from the Internet – even if the source is listed in the Bibliography. The text must be in the candidate's own words, and any music notation examples should be handwritten, or computer produced, by the candidate. It is acceptable, however, to copy short phrases or notation examples when expressing them as 'quotations' from a source document in order to illustrate a point.

Examiner's Report

The Examiner will look for a professional presentation; factual accuracy; style; clarity; correct language, grammar and spelling; and evidence of an overall, and enthusiastic, grasp of the subject.

The report will be in the form of a critique. No marks as such are awarded.



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