



## Department of Bands

### Grambling State World Famed Tiger Marching Band Audition Materials

#### Percussion

1. Select an instrument:

- Each prospective member must select two of the following instruments as a primary and secondary percussion instrument for auditioning:
  - a. Snare Drum
  - b. Melodic Percussion- includes Bells, Xylophone or Marimba\*
  - c. Tympani

2. Requirements:

- Snare Drum:
  - The thirteen essential rudiments (minimum) are required for those using the snare drum as one of the percussion instruments for auditioning.
- Melodic Percussion
  - Major scales are required for those using the melodic percussion as one of the instruments for auditioning.
  - Piano may be used as a substitution.

3. Sight-reading is mandatory for both the primary and secondary percussion instruments.

4. Each prospective member must perform a prepared piece on both the primary and secondary percussion instruments. (Etude Study and/ or Solo Grade 4 or higher)

\*Please note that we use a limited number of percussionists per academic term. The selection is determined by the size and instrumentation of the band.

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