



WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Assistant Professor/Director of University Bands

West Virginia State University:

West Virginia State University (WVSU) is a public-land grant institution, which was founded in 1891 as a Historically Black College and University (HBCU), and has evolved into a fully accessible, diverse, and multi-generational institution serving approximately 3,500 students. The University is a community of students, staff, and faculty committed to innovative teaching and learning, research and service that offers 23 undergraduate and seven graduate degrees through its four colleges, and competes in athletics at the NCAA Division II level in five men's sports and six women's sports. WVSU is located in Institute, WV, a suburb of Charleston, the largest city and the capital of West Virginia. With more than 300,000 people living in the metropolitan area, it is an active, exciting and engaging community, boasting cultural and historical events, music, festivals and entertainment.

Position Description

The Department of Music at West Virginia State University invites applications for a full-time, nine-month tenure-track Assistant Professor of Music and Director of Bands beginning Fall 2022. The anticipated appointment date is August 1, 2022. The Music Department is housed within the College of Arts and Humanities. This position is benefits eligible.

Responsibilities for the Director of Bands

Primary responsibilities include oversight of the WVSU Band Program, directing the WVSU Marching Band and Wind Ensemble, and teaching applied lessons in the candidate's area of expertise. Additional teaching will be based on the candidate's strengths and could include courses in instrumental music methods, instrumental conducting, student teacher supervision, music theory, aural skills, or music history. The candidate will advise undergraduate majors in both the BS in Music Education and the BFA in Music Performance programs. The candidate is also expected to engage in research (creative endeavor), public service, and teaching as outlined in the WVSU Faculty Handbook as deemed appropriate for a tenure-track position. Strong administrative skills (budget/finance, curriculum development), written and oral communication skills, and a spirit of collegiality are also required.

Recruiting will be a major focus of the candidate's responsibilities. Priority will be given to candidates with a proven record of building and sustaining band programs at the University or public school levels.

Requirements for the Director of Bands

A doctorate in Music Education or Music Performance from a regionally accredited college or university is preferred, but candidates with a master's degree and an exceptional record of professional experience will also be considered. Preference is given to candidates with experience leading marching and concert bands at the secondary level.

Salary Statement

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

To Apply:

This position will remain open until filled. However, first consideration will be given to applicants who submit a cover letter, current vita, copies of academic transcripts, links to performance videos of a marching band show and a concert band performance directed by the applicant, and the names, email addresses, and phone numbers of three professional references **by Monday, May 2, 2022.**

For additional information regarding this position, please contact Dr. Dirk Johnson, Music Department Chair. Phone: (304) 766-3342; Email: djohnson17@wvstateu.edu.

Please submit application materials via email to jobs@wvstateu.edu or mail to:

West Virginia State University
Department of Human Resources
P. O. Box 1000, 105 Cole Complex
Institute, WV 25112

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