WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY – COLLEGE OF CREATIVE ARTS SCHOOL OF MUSIC

AUGUST 31, 2017

POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR – MUSIC EDUCATION (INSTRUMENTAL)

DATE OF APPOINTMENT: August 10, 2018

JOB DESCRIPTION: A full-time, nine-month tenure-track appointment. The primary assignment includes (a) undergraduate instruction in Music Education, including instrumental music methods, instrument pedagogy courses such as brass or woodwind, and introductory courses, as needed; (b) graduate instruction in Music Education, including foundations and research courses, as needed and advanced courses in an area of expertise, (c) student teaching supervision, and (d) academic advising for undergraduate music education majors. Participation in School of Music activities, attracting and retaining students, and faculty governance is required. The candidate will be expected to maintain a professional profile through publication, presentation, scholarship, and/or research/creative activity. Additional teaching responsibilities may be assigned according to the needs of the School of Music and the abilities and interests of the candidate. Active participation in professional organizations in the field is expected.

QUALIFICATIONS: Master’s degree and coursework towards a doctorate required. The School of Music envisions new and dynamic initiatives to develop in the coming years, so we are seeking a candidate with demonstrated excellence in: (a) teaching instrumental music at elementary/secondary and collegiate levels, (b) curriculum delivery that prepares music education students in a variety of 21st-century traditional and popular instrumental settings, (c) innovative, engaging, and culturally responsive teaching and musicianship about contemporary issues related to music teaching and learning, (d) an attention to detail and organizational skills, (e) an ability to work with K-12 personnel as a clinician and professional development resource, (f) a record of, or potential for, research and publication in the field. The School of Music seeks a candidate who will demonstrate exemplary communication skills, collegiality, and the ability to contribute to the intellectual and cultural life of the University.

DEADLINE: Review of applications will begin October 16, 2017. The search will remain open until the position is filled.

APPLICATION: A letter of application that includes internet links to unedited digital videos of music education course instruction recorded within the past two years; a curriculum vitae; evidence of teaching effectiveness; and five references who may be contacted (include names, mailing addresses, telephone numbers, and email addresses). Apply online at http://employmentservices.hr.wvu.edu/wvu_jobs.

THE SCHOOL OF MUSIC (music.wvu.edu) brings together musicians and scholars from across the nation and the world in a vibrant musical community that is dedicated to fostering excellence, creativity, and innovation in the arts and humanities. It is the flagship music institution in the state, located about an hour’s drive from Pittsburgh and about three hours by car from Baltimore or Washington, D.C. Of the almost 735 majors in the College of Creative Arts, 273 are in the School of Music. Housed in the multi-million dollar Creative Arts Center, the School of Music comprises 40 full-time and 21 part-time faculty, and is the only fully-accredited music unit in the state of West Virginia that offers BA, BM, MM, MA, DMA, and PhD degree programs in music. Music faculty members can benefit from an active program of professional development and travel grants sponsored by WVU and by the College of Creative Arts.

The School of Music is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music, and the music education program is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation and the West Virginia Department of Education.
THE COLLEGE OF CREATIVE ARTS (ccarts.wvu.edu) is one of 15 colleges within the university, includes the Schools of Music, Theatre & Dance, and Art & Design, and offers the state's premiere training in the visual and performing arts. Each of these units has a national profile of excellence and all programs are nationally accredited (NASM, NAST, and NASAD).

The College of Creative Arts is housed in WVU's Creative Arts Center and has more than 70 full-time faculty and 20 professional staff whose mission is to educate succeeding generations of artists, teachers, and scholars through an experiential student-centered approach to learning. The College advocates the Arts as a medium through which the diversity of human experience is understood and valued. Exemplifying excellence and innovation in performance, exhibition, scholarship, and creative research, the College offers artistic and cultural opportunities for the citizens of West Virginia and the regional community.

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY (wvu.edu) is classified as an R1 or Highest Research Activity institution, and is the state's only comprehensive doctoral-granting, land grant institution. WVU has a current enrollment of approximately 28,000 undergraduate and 5,500 graduate students enrolled in more than 184 graduate and undergraduate programs. The university community is committed to student-centered priorities, academic excellence, research, creative activity and service to the state.

The city of Morgantown has 55,000 residents and has been ranked as the “#1 Small City in America,” the “Best Small City in the East,” and the “3rd Best Small Town” in the nation. Boasting a strong economy and an unemployment rate well below the national average, the area also offers a wide variety of cultural and recreational activities.

West Virginia University has created a dual career program to help faculty partners or spouses find employment in and around the university (dualcareer.hr.wvu.edu).

West Virginia University is an affirmative action, equal opportunity employer. Women, minorities, individuals with disabilities and veterans are especially encouraged to apply.