

Associate Director of Bands – West Virginia University
Morgantown, West Virginia

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY is now accepting applications for Associate Director of Bands at the rank of Assistant Professor of Music, full-time, tenure-track appointment to begin August 2018.

RESPONSIBILITIES: The Associate Director of Bands will be responsible for supporting the strategic vision for the University Bands and will assist the Director of Bands in the operation and continued development of the wind band program. Duties include conducting/directing the Marching Band, Symphonic Band, and other Athletic Pep Bands. The Associate Director of Bands serves as the assistant administrator of the annual WVU High School Invitational Honor Bands clinic. The Associate Director of Bands will be expected to promote and actively recruit for the School of Music through on and off campus activities. Additional teaching assignments may be required based on the experience and expertise of the successful candidate and program needs.

The successful candidate will join a team of faculty who work closely together on musical and academic matters for the benefit of our students. 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. Participation in faculty service activities, including committee work, is expected. Additional responsibilities will be assigned according to the needs of the School of Music.

QUALIFICATIONS: Master's degree required. Doctorate (or equivalent professional experience) is desired. The ideal candidate has a record of excellence as a marching band director at the university level and is current with contemporary trends in marching band. The ideal candidate is also an experienced conductor and music educator who maintains an active creative, research, and service agenda at the local, state/regional, and national levels. The candidate must have a consistent record of excellence as a band director, ensemble program manager, and student recruiter at both the secondary and university levels. A minimum of 2 years teaching experience as a faculty member at the college/university level is required. The ideal candidate maintains an active role in professional organizations at the state and national levels and demonstrates a record of being an involved and effective colleague.

APPOINTMENT: Assistant Professor of Music. Full-time, 10-month, tenure-track appointment, effective August 1, 2018.

DEADLINE: Review of applications will begin immediately and will remain open until filled. To ensure priority consideration, please apply by October 30, 2017.

APPLICATION: To apply, please visit: http://employmentservices.hr.wvu.edu/wvu_jobs. Application materials must include a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, three professional references with their full contact information, and a document with an online link (YouTube or Vimeo only) or video file (.mpg or .mov only) of a short sample video of conducting and marching band performances. Additional materials may be requested at a later date.

INFORMATION: West Virginia University (wvu.edu) is classified as a Doctoral/Research University-Extensive, 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.

The WVU Bands program consists of five ensembles including the Wind Symphony, the Symphonic Band, the Concert Band, the 350-member "Pride of West Virginia" Mountaineer Marching Band, and the Basketball Pep Band. Past performances by the WVU Wind Symphony include appearances in Chicago Symphony Hall, Washington, D.C., and Manchester, England. The "Pride of West Virginia" Mountaineer Marching Band has performed throughout the nation in more than 20 states including nationally televised bowl games and Presidential inaugurations. Most recently, the band led the 2016 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. Additional information may be found online at www.music.wvu.edu/bands.

West Virginia University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and the recipient of an NSF ADVANCE award for gender equity. The University values diversity among its faculty, staff and students, and invites applications from all qualified individuals, including minorities, females, individuals with disabilities, and veterans. WVU has created a dual career program to help faculty partners or spouses find employment in and around the university. WVU belongs to the OH/Western PA/WV Higher Education Recruitment Consortium (HERC). Please visit dualcareer.wvu.edu and ohwpawwherc.org for more information and job postings.