

Graduate Teaching Assistantship CHORAL CONDUCTING GTA – Direct Instruct

Description:

Assistantship requires an approximate load of 20 hours per week. Duties may include:

- 1. Conducting one choral ensemble as the instructor of record in consultation with the Director of Choral Activities
- 2. Assisting the Director of Choral Activities with running rehearsals as assigned
- 3. Assisting with choral conducting and choral methods classes
- 4. Managing the choral library
- 5. Enrollment and performance participation in a choral ensemble. Enrollment can be for credit or no credit depending on specific degree requirements.
- 6. Fulfilling additional administrative tasks as needed/determined by the choral area

Qualifications:

- Bachelor's Degree in Music Education or Vocal Performance
- Proven track record of excellence in the field of choral conducting
- Excellent musical and interpersonal leadership skills
- Excellent organizational skills

Financial Package:

Total financial package includes a stipend of approximately \$8,000 per school year and in-state tuition privileges as well as a tuition waiver up to 100%. This tuition waiver is for the actual semester of appointment and does not include waiver of student fees. The stipend is pro-rated over nine months, with the first payment given in mid-September. Stipend and tuition remission are subject of legislative approval.

Degrees:

WSU offers the *Master of Music in Conducting and* the *Master of Music Education* with a choral emphasis.

Admission:

Admission and assistantship applications may be obtained by contacting: Prof. William Flynn, Coordinator of Music Graduate Studies, Wichita State University, Campus Box 53, Wichita, KS 67260-0053, or on-line at www.wichita.edu/graduateschool

All Graduate Assistantships, including admission to the Graduate School, must be in compliance with the guidelines and specifications outlined in the Wichita State University Graduate Assistant Procedure Manual found at http://webs.wichita.edu/depttools/de

Interview or Audition requirements:

A conducting audition and an interview are required of all candidates. To make audition arrangements

and to schedule a campus visit, contact Dr. Ryan Beeken (<u>ryan.beeken@wichita.edu</u>).

Application Deadline:

Graduate Assistantships are available yearly. For priority consideration, all applications materials, including securing admission to the Graduate School, should be submitted by February 1. Applications are accepted until positions are filled.

The University and Wichita:

Wichita State University is located in the metropolitan area of Wichita a cultural center of Kansas. With a population of approximately 600,000, Wichita affords divers cultural advantage – a professional symphony, two professional choirs, a professional band, resident ballet, music theater etc. Part-time employment opportunities in the arts are plentiful as well as regular commercial employment and employment in schools. The University is a Regents institution of the state of Kansas with a current enrollment of approximately 15,000 students.

Additional Information:

This is a two-year position, renewable each semester. Graduate Assistants will be evaluated each semester. The assistantship can be terminated prior to expiration of the period of service if the duties of the appointment are not satisfactorily met and/or academic eligibility requirements are not met.