

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP in Voice

GTA – Direct Instruct

Description:

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

1. Teaching of non-major voice students as assigned.
2. Performance participation and enrollment in assigned choir. Enrollment can be for credit or no credit depending on specific degree requirements (Vocal Performance, Opera or Education).
3. GTA's will also assist voice and choral area faculty with administration as needed. Duties may include, but are not limited to:
 - Mailing list updates
 - Maintain databases
 - Errands, filing, library organization, copying and other light clerical work
 - Assist with graduate and undergraduate auditions (see Dr. Beeken at beginning of semester)
 - Organize/assist with Voice Area recitals and choral festivals (running and room set up)
 - Monitor juries
 - Maintain Email data bases (opera/voice/choral/Canta in Italia)
4. Section leader or member of Concert Chorale (approximately 50 hours per semester for concerts, retreats, and additional rehearsal in addition to 4 scheduled hours weekly)

Qualifications:

- Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance or Music Education
- A successful candidate will display leadership skills, academic excellence, perform at a high level and have extensive experience with standard vocal and choral repertoire.
- Serve as a leader in performance ensembles

Stipend:

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 both a *Master of Music* and a *Master of Music Education*. Each degree has various emphasis concentrations.

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/depttoolsmemberfiles/gradschool/GA_Manual.pdf

Interview and Audition requirements:

An application including a C.V., a live performance and an interview are required of all candidates. To make audition arrangements and to schedule a campus visit, contact Pina Mozzani at pina.mozzani@wichita.edu. Audition repertoire should include 5 art songs and arias in 4 different languages and various musical styles.

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 500,000, the Wichita area affords diverse cultural advantages – a professional symphony orchestra, two professional choirs, two professional opera companies, a professional band, resident ballet, numerous professional music theater companies, etc. All voice majors have paid church jobs. 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.