



Assistant Professor of Music Director of Choral Ensembles Creative Arts Division

Recruitment Number: F1801

Application Deadline: Review of applications begins **March 12, 2018** and will continue until the position is filled.

The Music Department at Western Oregon University seeks a tenure-track artist/scholar/teacher to join the faculty at the Assistant Professor level. The successful candidate will organize and direct a comprehensive university choir program that includes conducting chamber choir, non-auditioned chorus and/or jazz-popular music ensemble depending on focus area(s). This faculty member will also teach classes commensurate with the candidate's skills in support of program outcomes and undergraduate/graduate degree tracks. Instructional rotations will include Choral Conducting, Choral Literature and Choral Methods; ensemble direction and individual lessons for music majors.

Minimum Qualifications:

- Doctor of Musical Arts (DMA), Doctor of Music (DM), or PhD in related field of study (ABD applicants will be considered, with expectation that all degree requirements will be completed by September 16, 2018.)
- Demonstrated record of accomplishment as a musician

The successful candidate will

- be a versatile musician able to contribute to the department's innovative curriculum and provide support for repertoire covering diverse styles and genres;
- have a deep and comprehensive understanding of the field from historical, aesthetic and practical realms;
- have a recognized professional record of innovative creative work as choir director and/or performer;
- have teaching experience at the high school and/or college level, or equivalent professional experience;
- have an aptitude for organizational effectiveness;
- provide support of choral music teacher preparation programs
- demonstrate a commitment to student success, recruitment and diversity;
- demonstrate an ability to lead the next generation of students toward their musical goals.

Other desirable attributes include expertise in one or more of the following areas: Musical Theater, Vocal Performance, or Opera

Start Date: September 16, 2018

Contact Information: Questions regarding this position may be directed to Dr. Kevin Helppie, Search Committee Chair, at helppik@wou.edu

For questions regarding the application process or to submit your application documents, please contact Human Resources at 503-838-8552 or employment@wou.edu.

Application Process: *You may submit all materials online at www.wou.edu/facultyapp*

Required application materials (PDF preferred):

- A WOU Faculty Application Form (available at www.wou.edu/facultyapp)
- Letter of interest that addresses each qualification of the position. Please include how your experience, education, and/or training might help us build a more inclusive, collaborative, and diverse community
- Statement of teaching philosophy and vision statement for program development in Choral music
- Current curriculum vita which may include a list of published/unpublished compositions and arrangements for voices
- Digital audio/video samples, *delivered via web links*, of three representative performances that provide evidence of musical excellence (Additional materials to include rehearsals or solo performances may be requested prior to interviews.)
- Names and full contact information for three professional references (Three letters of recommendation may be requested at a later date.)
- Unofficial copy of transcripts for highest degree

As an alternative, you may submit application materials to:

F1801, Assistant Professor of Music
Western Oregon University
Human Resources Office
345 N. Monmouth Ave
Monmouth, OR 97361

-OR- E-mail as an attachment to employment@wou.edu -OR- Fax to 503-838-8144.

Western Oregon University (WOU) www.wou.edu is a mid-sized public comprehensive university located in the Monmouth-Independence area, the heart of Oregon's lush Willamette Valley. The University serves a large number of first-generation college students. WOU has received national recognition for its commitment and success in serving students. In 2014 Western Oregon University was ranked highest in the Pacific Northwest and 85th in the nation for economic value and employability of its graduates, by Educate to Career, Inc. The campus is about 20 minutes from Salem, the state's capital, about 75 minutes from Portland, the state's cultural hub, and a short drive from the Oregon coast, mountains, and other scenic areas. The university is located in an increasingly diverse, bilingual, and rural area in the Willamette Valley. Our student body of about 5200 undergraduate and 400 graduate students enjoys the vibrant and close-knit intellectual community of a leading liberal arts college.

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committed to increasing the diversity of its workforce.**