Wofford College invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track assistant professor of music and director of bands position to begin in August 2024. The music program at Wofford is in an exciting phase of growth with strong faculty and administrative support for the continued transformation of the program from an extra-curricular activity to a major-granting department. We are seeking an innovative and inspiring leader who can develop and implement a vision for a successful band program within the context of a liberal arts curriculum.

At Wofford, faculty serve as teacher-scholars dedicated to the education and mentorship of undergraduates in a liberal arts tradition. Wofford embraces a broad definition of scholarship that includes creative work, as well as discipline-specific, pedagogical, and interdisciplinary research. Faculty earn tenure after six years by demonstrating excellence in teaching, continued scholarly development, and service to the college.

QUALIFICATIONS

- A terminal degree (Ph.D., DMA, or equivalent) in conducting or music education.
- Demonstrated excellence in conducting and directing bands.
- Proven success, or evidence for future success, in recruiting for and building a thriving band program.
- Commitment to classroom teaching and a record of effective instruction at the undergraduate and/or secondary levels.
- A record of scholarly or creative activity in the field of music.
- At least two years of prior undergraduate teaching experience is strongly preferred; successful candidates might also have experience directing high school band ensembles.
- Interest and/or experience in collaborating within and outside of the music department.
- Excellent communication, leadership and organizational skills.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide leadership as the director of bands, overseeing all aspects of the college’s band program, including conducting Wofford’s Concert Band and Pep/Jazz Band.
- Teach undergraduate courses in music, including a rotation of American Music, World Music and Music Appreciation, or other courses that align with the candidate’s strengths and the department’s needs.
- Develop and implement a plan for recruiting students to the band program.
- Mentor and advise music students, fostering their academic and artistic growth.
- Engage in curriculum development, contributing to the enhancement and expansion of the music program’s offerings.
- Contribute actively to the college’s artistic and cultural life through performances, workshops and collaborations.
- Participate in departmental meetings, committees and other service duties as needed.

APPLICATION MATERIALS
A completed application will include: (1) a cover letter explaining your interest and suitability for this position, (2) a curriculum vitae, (3) a document with links (YouTube, OneDrive, etc.) to 15-20 minutes of video of the candidate conducting a concert band both in rehearsal and performance from the perspective of the ensemble, (4) a statement of teaching philosophy that addresses how the candidate fosters a welcoming climate for students from underrepresented groups, (5) a statement on scholarly research or creative work, and (6) three letters of reference, including at least one addressing the candidate’s teaching (these should be sent directly by the referees).

Application materials should be submitted electronically to MusicDeptJobs@wofford.edu. Applications received by Jan. 1, 2024 will be given full consideration. Questions about the position or search should be directed to committee chair Dr. Aaron Harp (harpar@wofford.edu).

ABOUT WOFFORD COLLEGE
Wofford College is a place where thought leads, where ideas are celebrated and problem solving is expected. Wofford invites applicants who are focused on student success and excited to join a community committed to preparing thought leaders.

Wofford College, established in 1854, is a four-year, residential liberal arts college located in Spartanburg, South Carolina. A Phi Beta Kappa college (chartered in 1940), Wofford offers 27 major fields of study to a student body of 1,874 undergraduates. Nationally known for the strength of its academic program, outstanding faculty, experiential learning opportunities and successful and supportive graduates, Wofford is recognized consistently as a “best value” and for accessibility for low- and middle-income students. To learn more, visit Wofford.edu.

EEO STATEMENT
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