

SAXOPHONE AND JAZZ STUDIES

RANK

Assistant Professor – tenure track.

SALARY

Competitive, plus generous benefits.

QUALIFICATIONS

Doctorate required. Master's degree with significant progress toward the doctorate or professional experience equivalent to doctoral work will be considered. Applicant must demonstrate excellence in, and commitment to, both classical and jazz performance as both a solo and ensemble artist; demonstrated success as a teacher in both styles is required, preferably at the university level. The successful candidate will be expected to have strong interpersonal, communication, and collaborative skills, as well as maintain an active career in his or her profession.

RESPONSIBILITIES

Serve as instructor of applied saxophone; teach undergraduate and graduate students in jazz improvisation, jazz arranging, jazz theory, and other courses in the music curriculum such as large and small jazz ensembles and Music Appreciation: Jazz/Pop. Perform as part of the Western Jazz Quartet; and maintain a record of performance necessary for tenure. Recruitment and service appropriate for a university faculty member required.

DATE OF APPOINTMENT

August 2012

SCHOOL OF MUSIC

The School of Music – along with the School of Art, and Departments of Dance and Theatre – is a part of the College of Fine Arts, and has 40 full-time faculty and 11 staff, approximately 440 music majors, and NASM accreditation. Degree programs include Bachelor and Master of Music with majors in performance, music education, composition, music therapy, and jazz studies.

UNIVERSITY

Western Michigan University, the only Carnegie Classification Doctoral I institution in Michigan and one of the State's five graduate-intensive universities, enrolls approximately 25,000 students, with 25 percent at the graduate level, and has approximately 770 faculty. The University consists of six degree-granting colleges, a graduate college, and an honors college. It is located in Kalamazoo, Michigan, a musically active metropolitan community of 228,000, located midway between Detroit and Chicago.

APPLICATION

Please apply online at www.wmich.edu/hr/careers-at-wmu.html. Your application will include: A cover letter highlighting qualifications; current curriculum vita; and three current letters of recommendation. Send one (1) CD recording with examples of both jazz and classical performance to: David Colson, Director, Saxophone Search, School of Music, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5434.

DEADLINE

Review of files begins on October 14, 2011.

Western Michigan University is an Equal Opportunity Employer. In addition, it has embarked upon a vigorous affirmative action program and encourages applications of women and members of minority groups who are qualified for this position.

