Department Of Music – Jazz Saxophone

Refer to Requisition #: 105061 on all correspondence and inquiries regarding this position.

OUR COMMITMENT

Sonoma State University offers an exceptional educational experience that fosters intellectual, cognitive, social, and personal growth. As the only member of the Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges in California, we are uniquely positioned to foster ethical exploration, civic engagement, social responsibility, and global awareness combined with a solid foundation in an academic discipline. We have a strong commitment to graduating students who have the ability to think critically and communicate effectively in an ever-changing world. The unique campus culture fosters our Seawolf Commitment to integrity, respect, excellence, and responsibility and is integrated into all campus life. We nurture inclusive excellence through a celebration of the rich diversity of our local communities and our interconnected global economy. Members of the University community are expected to work effectively with faculty, staff, and students from diverse ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic backgrounds. SSU is especially interested in candidates who make contributions to equity and inclusion in the pursuit of excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service.

THE UNIVERSITY

Sonoma State University’s beautiful 274-acre campus is located in Sonoma County wine country, an hour north of San Francisco. The campus offers the ideal setting for teaching and learning and access to a community of rich cultural, environmental, and recreational opportunities. Founded in 1960, Sonoma State University is one of the 23 campuses of the California State University System. As members of the largest public higher educational system in the nation, we provide accessible, high quality education to more than 9000 students. Sonoma State University is proud to be a Hispanic Serving Institution committed to achieving the goals of equal opportunity and endeavors to employ faculty and staff reflecting the ethnic and cultural diversity of the region and state.

THE DEPARTMENT

Voted among the Most Wired, Top Green & Best Value schools in America (Princeton Review), the Sonoma State Department of Music offers generous scholarships and performance opportunities in instrumental, choral, jazz, and music theatre. The Department is housed in the Donald and Maureen Green Music Center, a premiere performing arts complex that includes the 1400-seat Joan and Sanford I. Weill Hall, the 250-seat Schroeder Recital Hall, an education wing, and meeting and conference facilities. Since Lang Lang’s solo performance at Weill Hall’s Grand Opening in 2012, the breath-taking acoustics of this uniquely designed space have attracted such internationally renowned artists such as Yo-Yo Ma, the Vienna Philharmonic, Itzhak Perlman, John Adams, Anne-Sophie Mutter, Wynton Marsalis and countless others.

Our graduates are high achievers who go on to successful careers as music educators; college professors; jazz and recording artists; and performers in symphonies, pit orchestras, clubs, sound studios and more.
student population is mainly from all corners of California, but we have successfully recruited students from all over the country, as well as other countries such as China. Music students at Sonoma State enroll as one of the following:

Bachelor of Music degree Music Composition (pending)
Bachelor of Music degree in Jazz Studies
Bachelor of Music degree in Music Education (Choral, Instrumental and Jazz Tracks)
Bachelor of Music degree in Vocal/Instrumental Performance
Bachelor of Arts degree in Music, Liberal Studies concentration

Students may also pursue the Music minor.

The department features a diverse array of full and part-time faculty who are leaders in their field - the jazz area in particular is comprised of eight faculty who are active performing, recording, touring, and composing at the national and international level. They also make up the SSU Faculty Jazz Ensemble, which performs several times during each semester. The Jazz Studies BM program is a robust combination of performing ensembles and academic classes that prepares our diverse student population for careers in performing, writing, and teaching. Ensembles include a 20-piece jazz orchestra; themed combos, including a student composers combo; and a full-time Latin Band that explores the music of Haiti, Cuba, Brazil, and more. The weekly jazz forum class features masterclasses by the top performers of today; past appearances have included David Liebman, Billy Hart, Lee Konitz, Denny Zeitlin, Matt Wilson, Harold Jones, Allison Au, Carl Allen, John Stowell, Kenny Barron, Ben Allison, Danielle Wertz and many more.

The department has been accredited since 1972 by the National Association of Schools of Music.

Prospective applicants are encouraged to see the department’s Web page at:
http://music.sonoma.edu/

**DUTIES OF THE POSITION**

Teach private lessons to Jazz Studies and Music Education Instrumental Jazz Track saxophone majors; possibly teach improvisation classes and/or coach combos.

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

To be recommended for appointment, the candidate must have:

Significant jazz saxophone performance and private teaching experience.

**RANK AND SALARY**

Full-time is 15-unit workload per semester. Actual salary is dependent upon number of units assigned, educational preparation, and availability of funds subject to any CSU system faculty contract salary increases.
• Selection as a candidate in the applicant pool, does not guarantee employment. Temporary Faculty appointments are made on a part-time, temporary basis and contingent upon department needs and funding.
• Temporary Faculty appointments are made on a semester-by-semester basis.
• Relocation expenses will not be provided for temporary faculty appointments.
• Reimbursement for expenses incurred to attend an interview for temporary faculty positions are not reimbursed by the University.

HOW TO APPLY
To apply for this position, go to jobs.sonoma.edu and click on the External Applicant link under the Legacy Jobs Site section. If you are not currently employed at Sonoma State University, register a new account. If you are currently employed at Sonoma State University, log in with your SSU username and password. You will be redirected to a list of all available jobs at Sonoma State University. Find and select the faculty position you are applying for to view the description and select Apply Now. If you have not applied for a job at Sonoma State University previously you will be asked to Register Now in order to proceed. At the initial stage of the application, you will be prompted to upload a resume. Please combine your CV and cover letter into one PDF document and upload it in place of the resume. Once you have submitted the application, a confirmation email will be automatically sent to you. Please do not send materials to facultysearch@sonoma.edu. If you encounter difficulties during the application process, please email facultysearch@sonoma.edu.

Please submit:

Required
• Application letter
• Curriculum vitae

Optional
• Statement of Research Interests
• Teaching Philosophy
• Student Evaluations
• Contact Information for 3 References

Official transcripts are required at the time of hire.

Application procedures for temporary faculty already teaching in the department:
  ➢ Temporary Faculty with three-year contracts do not need to reapply.
Temporary Faculty who have taught for the department within the past two years only need to submit a Lecturer Qualified Course Form and updated CV to remain in the pool. The hiring committee will review the Personnel Action File and then determine whether an additional interview would be beneficial.

Sonoma State University hires only individuals lawfully authorized to work in the United States. All offers of employment are contingent upon presentation of documents demonstrating the appointee’s identity and eligibility to work, in accordance with the provisions of the Immigration Reform and Control Act. **Sonoma State University does not facilitate the process of applying for an H1B Visa for temporary positions.**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

The deadline to apply is Monday, July 26, 2021.

Questions concerning the application process may be directed to: facultysearch@sonoma.edu

Questions concerning this position may be directed to:

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**OTHER INFORMATION**

The university is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. We consider qualified applicants for employment without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, disability, marital status, or protected veteran status.

This position is considered a “mandated reporter” under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in CSU Executive Order 1083 as a condition of employment.

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