

Instructor of Commercial Music

POSITION: Instructor of Commercial Music
SUPERVISOR: Vice Provost for The Creative Arts Institute
DEPARTMENT: Creative Arts Institute

TIFFIN UNIVERSITY

TU is an innovative private university located in Tiffin, Ohio and within 90 minutes of Columbus, Cleveland, and Detroit metros. Established in 1888 as a professionally focused college serving the needs of career-minded students, TU has grown to a global university offering almost 90 degree and concentration programs with students representing more than 30 countries at its campuses on three continents. In the last decade, enrollment has more than doubled and more than \$50 million has been invested in on-campus construction projects, including new dormitories and a living learning complex, new centers for the arts and for technology, as well state-of-the-art athletic and wellness facilities.

THE CREATIVE ARTS INSTITUTE

Tiffin University's Creative Arts Institute houses the Commercial Music degree program, and also offers interdisciplinary, co-curricular and extracurricular activities across Arts-related areas including Music, Dance, Theatre, Media Arts, Digital Media & Design, Strategic & Mass Communication, Marketing, Game Design, Web Design and Forensic Audio.

THE PROGRAM

Tiffin University's bachelor's degree in commercial music balances coursework in musicianship, music technology and music business, so that students build a set of practical and employable skills. The program is unique among small private colleges, as TU can give students hands-on opportunities that larger schools may not be able to offer — and is designed for students whose musical experiences, tastes and aspirations have been underserved by other colleges. The program uses a diversity of musical styles – including popular music, jazz, rock, roots and classical music – to teach musicianship, and is flexibly designed to maximize personal growth, giving students the opportunity to both excel in strength areas and develop secondary skill areas that pertain to

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their individual career goals. All students develop their musicianship skills at the piano keyboard and all rhythm section instruments, take courses in music technology and music business, as well as a capstone project individually designed for each student. Students may also pair the Commercial Music major with a professional music concentration made up of advanced coursework in Music Performance, Entrepreneurship, Production and Engineering.

JOB DESCRIPTION

The Instructor of Commercial Music will teach private voice lessons in commercial, popular, jazz and musical theatre styles, and have the opportunity to teach courses or direct ensembles that fall within the candidate's other areas of expertise. Secondary areas of responsibility may include one or more of the following: popular/jazz keyboard harmony; music entrepreneurship; traditional, gospel and/or pop choral music; musical theatre directing; hip hop performance and production.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE JOB

Education:

Master's degree in Music required. Candidates with professional commercial music experience and a Master's degree may also be considered.

Experience:

Experience and/or training in commercial voice pedagogy. Performance experience in commercial music styles.

MAJOR DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Teaching face-to-face classes and private music lessons at the undergraduate and graduate level in the Creative Arts Institute.
- Lead a commercial music ensemble or direct a musical theatre production
- Demonstrate a commitment to working collaboratively and collegially in activities, projects and programs that support program growth and student success.

- Attend department, school, and university meetings, serving on university, school and other committees as appointed.
- Advise and mentor undergraduate students
- Supervise internships and individually guided studies
- Be responsible for other duties as assigned by the Vice Provost for Creative Arts
- Create and promote a positive and supportive work environment.
- Demonstrate personal qualities of integrity, credibility, and unwavering commitment to Tiffin University's Guiding Principles.
- Demonstrate excellent verbal/written communication and presentation skills.
- Demonstrate the ability to work with people from a variety of culturally diverse backgrounds.

EXPECTED KEY COMPETENCIES

Interdependence: Fosters collaboration across the University

Communication: Strong decision-making and communication skills

Accountability: Formulates effective and progressive strategies aligned with University mission and values

Respect: Creates an engaging, collaborative classroom environment by bringing diverse students and ideas together

Entrepreneurship: Influences and inspires

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

Ability to sit and/or stand periodically for long periods.



We are strongly committed to enhancing equity, inclusion, and diversity. These values are central to our beliefs. Candidates who have worked with a diverse range of faculty, staff, and students and who can contribute to our mission of inclusivity are encouraged to identify their experiences and interests. Tiffin University actively seeks to increase the diversity of its workforce. We are dedicated to providing educational, working and living environments that value the diverse backgrounds of all people.

NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY: Tiffin University is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity for employees, applicant for employment, students or applicant for admission, access to educational opportunities on the basis of race, religion, personal appearance, color, sex, pregnancy, political affiliation, social-economic class, place of business, residence, religion, creed, ethnicity, national origin (including ancestry), citizenship status, physical or mental disability, age, marital status, family responsibilities, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, veteran or military status (including special disabled veteran, Vietnam-era veteran, or recently separated veteran), predisposing genetic characteristics, domestic violence victim status or any other protected category under applicable local, state or federal law, including protections for those opposing discrimination or participating in any resolution process on campus or within the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or other human rights agencies.

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