

**Western Illinois University**  
**School of Music**

**Position Title:** Graduate Assistant in Orchestral Ensembles

**Rank:** Teaching Support Assistant (2/3 TSA)

**Availability:** To begin Fall 2022

**Reports to:** School of Music Graduate Coordinator and Director of Orchestral Activities

**Terms of Employment:**

- 8-month contract, covering Fall and Spring semesters of the academic year
- Renewable for a second year of study
- 13 hours per week of duties as assigned by the Director of Orchestral Activities

**Compensation:**

- \$707.50/month, 8-month contract = \$5660 per academic year (\$2830/semester)
- Full tuition waiver for all graduate credits (not including fees)
- Tuition waiver for summer courses
- Total benefit to student: \$13,000/year (US domestic tuition); \$16,000/year (international tuition)

**Position Description:** Duties include assisting the Director of Orchestral Activities with development of instructional materials, preparation for orchestra concerts and tours, maintenance of the orchestral library, and regular office hours. Orchestral Conducting majors will have opportunities to conduct the WIU Symphony Orchestra in rehearsals, sectionals, and concerts.

**Qualifications:**

- Must be accepted as a full-time, degree-seeking student in a WIU School of Music graduate program
- Must be enrolled in a minimum of 9 semester hours of graduate study
- Maintain GPA of at least 3.00; first-semester graduate students must also have an undergraduate GPA of at least 3.00
- Bachelor of Music or Bachelor of Arts in Music degree required
- Organizational and management skills are required; experience performing an orchestral instrument preferred; enrollment in Master of Music in Orchestral Conducting preferred.

**Application Process and Deadline:**

- Visit [WIU Orchestras](#) and the [School of Music Graduate Program](#) for admission requirements and program descriptions
- Contact [Dr. Kenny Lee](#), Director of Orchestral Activities, and [Dr. Anita Hardeman](#), School of Music Graduate Coordinator
- Complete the online [WIU Graduate Application](#)

Please submit all required application materials by **January 31, 2022**. Review of applications will begin on this date and continue until the position is filled.

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