Title: Instructor or Visiting Assistant Professor/Director of Bands

Department: Visual and Performing Arts (www.mtu.edu/vpa/)

Status: Full-time/Non-tenure Track

Description: Michigan Technological University seeks a dynamic conductor-educator to fill the position of Director of Bands for an annual appointment renewable for up to two additional years beginning August 2012. The position entails directing a growing and innovative band program with a 250-member pep band, an auditioned wind symphony, and a non-auditioned concert band. Other activities include coaching chamber ensembles, advising student organizations, and participating in yearly regional tours. The successful candidate will demonstrate a high level of conducting ability, thorough knowledge of the band repertoire, significant experience in recruitment and retention, proven ability to innovate and grow a successful band program, and a strong commitment to music education.

Teaching Responsibilities: Conduct Superior Wind Symphony, Campus Concert Band, and Huskies Pep Band. Teach music theory and other music courses.


Preferred Qualifications: Doctoral degree in music. Experience teaching academic music courses at the university and/or secondary level. Advanced skills on a band instrument.

To Apply: Screening begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Candidates will email: 1) letter of application, 2) curriculum vitae, 3) phone and email for five references, and 4) video clip (preferably YouTube) of representative conducting in both performance and rehearsal to jrneves@mtu.edu. Questions may be referred to Dr. Joel Neves, Search Committee Chair, via this email or phone (906-487-2859).

Other Information: The Visual and Performing Arts Department—comprised of visual art, theatre, sound, and music divisions—is one of the most innovative and successful arts organizations in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. Michigan Technological University (www.mtu.edu), established in 1885, is a nationally recognized research university and a leader in science and engineering education. Michigan Tech ranks in the top tier of national universities, according to U.S. News & World Report’s latest edition of America’s Best Colleges. Michigan Tech is located in Michigan’s scenic Upper Peninsula, on the south shore of Lake Superior. Houghton and the surrounding Keweenaw Peninsula are well known for natural beauty and abundant outdoor activities in all seasons. Recently, Houghton was ranked in “The 100 Best Small Towns in America.” Houghton provides a unique setting where natural beauty, culture, education and the diversity of residents from around the world come together to provide a superb living experience.

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