



Gifted Music School announces the following faculty vacancy:

Double Bass Instructor

Gifted Music School is pleased to announce the opening of a part-time Double Bass Instructor faculty position. Duties begin August 22 or earlier, as negotiated.*

**Note: Review of applications will begin August 1 and will continue until the position is filled. Highly qualified applicants should complete the online application by July 31 to guarantee consideration. For more information, or to suggest nominations for this position, please contact Dean Justin Morgan at jmorgan@giftedmusicschool.org.*

Job Summary

Gifted Music School seeks an experienced and engaging Double Bass Instructor to join the String Area Faculty at Gifted Music School in Salt Lake City, UT. The teaching artist would be expected to join a serious teaching team committed to raising, nurturing, and coaching students of all ages and backgrounds.

The Double Bass Instructor reports to the String Department Chair and will work in close cooperation with the Suzuki Program Director, Dean, and Artistic Director, as well as other members of the team. The instructor's primary role is to provide applied double bass lessons on a weekly basis.

Specific responsibilities for the Double Bass Instructor will include, but are not limited to:

- Teach individual lessons to double bass students beginning through advanced levels ages 5+. Provide each student a minimum of 38 lessons per school year (15 in the fall, 17 in the spring, and a minimum of 6 lessons in the summer), adhering to the school calendar.
- Hold one (1) studio recital each fall and spring semester.
- Prepare students for and adjudicate at Jury Examinations
- Actively recruit and maintain a studio of double bass students at Gifted Music School.
- Assist students with recording sessions for auditions, competitions, etc.
- Coordinate with colleagues across campus (e.g. Chamber Music Coordinator, Choir Director, Conservatory Manager, etc.) and encourage students to audition or apply for classes and performance opportunities as appropriate.
- Conference with parents and students to address problems or provide counseling on students' musical development.
- Perform administrative tasks associated with students' attendance, scheduling, and communications.
- Report to the department chair and attend, assist, and contribute to school and departmental events.
- Perform other related duties as requested by the department chair or Suzuki Program Director

Hourly wage is commensurate with experience. The hours for this position are negotiable and may vary depending on instructor availability and student demand. Eligible for health and dental benefits if workload reaches or exceeds 30 hours per week.

Minimum Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree in double bass performance or related field
- Demonstrated evidence of effective teaching, beginning through advanced levels - minimum of 3 years experience
- Demonstrated ability to work both independently and as part of a team
- Demonstrated English proficiency; Spanish or other language would be a strong asset.
- Applicants must demonstrate the potential ability to perform the essential functions of the job as outlined above

Preferences

In particular, we are looking for candidates with:

- Advanced degrees in music (MM, MMA, or DMA) with significant experience in teaching double bass students
- SAA-registered Suzuki Teacher Training and membership in the Suzuki Association of the Americas
- Experience in teaching classical bass; jazz bass would be a strong asset as well
- An active teaching career and interest in making teaching activities at Gifted Music School a career priority
- Commitment to maintaining a reliable schedule and adhering to the school calendar
- Excellent communication skills and ability to contribute to a high-performance team environment while being supportive of colleagues, staff, parents, and students
- A strong commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in the studio and meeting the needs of a diverse population
- A strong understanding of the value of comprehensive music instruction

Familiarity with Gifted Music School's policies and procedures, as well as the school's systems (i.e. My Music Staff) is preferred but not required.

Procedure

Step 1) Qualified applicants should upload the following materials to, and complete our online application form at www.giftedmusicschool.org/employment-application-form.

1. Cover Letter
2. CV or Résumé
3. Contact information for 2-3 Professional References from whom we may solicit a recommendation
4. Two (2) contrasting Video Teaching Samples
5. (Optional) Teaching Philosophy Statement

Step 2) Upon reviewing your application materials, the search committee may invite you to interview or audition at Gifted Music School and/or provide additional teaching samples. This position may also require the successful completion of a criminal background check.

Gifted Music School

Gifted Music School is a nationally-recognized 501(c)(3) non-profit community music school located in Salt Lake City, Utah. We are committed to defining the standard for high-level music education and providing outstanding, comprehensive training to students of all abilities and backgrounds. Gifted Music School currently serves over 400 students ages 0-55+ and our faculty is made up of 54 world-class teaching artists.

Founders' Statement

"Unparalleled music education for all."

Mission

Gifted Music School nurtures artistry, character, and skills vital to a healthy community through exceptional, comprehensive music education.

Core Values

Collaboration | Accessibility | Discipline | Excellence

EEO/Diversity Information

Gifted Music School is committed to equal employment opportunity (EEO) and to compliance with state and federal anti-discrimination laws. It is our policy that employees should be able to enjoy a work environment free from all forms of unlawful employment discrimination or harassment. All decisions regarding recruiting, hiring, promotion, assignment, training, termination, and other terms and conditions of employment will be made without unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, pregnancy (including childbirth, pregnancy-related conditions, breastfeeding and medical conditions relating to breastfeeding), sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, disability, work-related injury, genetic information, marital status and membership in the armed forces or reserves.

At Gifted Music School, we stand for excellence and promise a culture of success. We understand that people are our greatest asset; therefore Gifted Music School will not tolerate discrimination or harassment of any employee or applicant based upon these characteristics or any other characteristic protected by applicable federal, state or local law.