SUMMARY OF POSITION:

Whitworth’s Department of Music invites applicants for the position of Assistant Professor of Music (Director of Keyboard Studies). Track II positions are continuing positions, based on performance and the needs of the university, that are eligible for promotion and undergo regular evaluation, but are not tenure-track.

Since 1890, Whitworth University, a private, residential, comprehensive, doctoral-level, liberal-arts institution affiliated with the Presbyterian church, has held fast to its founding mission to provide its students an education of mind and heart characterized by rigorous and open intellectual inquiry and the integration of Christian faith and learning. Anchored in the Reformed tradition and enriched throughout its history by strong evangelical and ecumenical currents, Whitworth’s mission is carried out by a diverse community of dedicated Christian scholars and staff members who are called to a variety of vocations to serve and support students. Whitworth believes the best learning occurs in the context of relationship – inside and outside of the classroom – where professors and staff members alike invest in the lives of students. Whitworth is committed to modeling the highest standards of integrity and fairness and being a trusted and valued member of the community.

The Department of Music, housed in the recently renovated and expanded Cowles Music Center, offers both the Bachelor of Arts in Music and Bachelor of Arts in Music Education Degrees. The department has nine full-time faculty, two full-time lecturers, and over thirty part-time instructors, with approximately 60 music majors as well as many non-majors in elective courses, lessons, and ensembles. The music programs are fully accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music. The music department serves the Spokane community by performing nearly 100 recitals and concerts each year on campus, in schools and churches, and at the historic Martin Woldson Theater at The Fox.

STARTING DATE: July 1, 2023

PRIMARY TEACHING OPPORTUNITIES:
Teach piano lessons, piano pedagogy, oversee keyboard studies area; oversee piano proficiency program; teach in an additional area depending on expertise and departmental needs (music technology or composition preferred); establish and maintain positive relationships with regional music educators.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
Possibility of developing new courses that contribute to the university's innovative, interdisciplinary Shared Curriculum. Additional responsibilities include participation in departmental activities and governance, professional and research activities, attending state, regional and national professional association meetings; attending faculty assemblies, development days, and retreat, serving on committees, and advising.

REQUIRED JOB KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

- A personal commitment to the Christian faith and to the integration of faith and learning
- Evidence of promise in effectiveness at college-level teaching (demonstrated effectiveness preferred)
- Strong potential for an on-going stream of scholarship in the candidate’s area of specialization (this includes traditional published scholarship, but can also include music composition and performance)
- Demonstrated growth in cultural competence, awareness of societal and structural inequities and proven experience in effectively establishing relationships and positive communications with students and other constituents across multiple dimensions of diversity including, but not limited to, race, gender, varying abilities, nationality, sexual orientation, gender identity, class or religious perspectives
• A commitment to the educational mission of Whitworth University as a comprehensive Christian liberal arts university affiliated with the Presbyterian church

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS: Doctorate or ABD in field

SALARY:  
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, MUSIC  
Term: 9 months (academic year)  
Hiring Range: $57,010 to $63,718  
Commensurate with years of credited service. 1.75% increase to the minimum salary is granted for each year of credited service at the rank of Assistant Professor.

BENEFITS:  
Whitworth University provides a robust offering of benefits and services to enhance the quality of life of its faculty and staff. Employees who are eligible for benefits may participate in health plans including medical, dental and vision; a generous retirement plan; life insurance and long-term disability insurance. Well-being services include spiritual enrichment, the employee assistance program, and free access to the University Recreation Center and the Megan E. Thompson Aquatic Center. Free tuition for employees and tuition remission programs for spouses and dependents round out the offerings. More information HERE

TO APPLY: Please submit to jobs@whitworth.edu  
• A letter of application addressing your qualifications for the position and interest in teaching at a Christian liberal arts university with an increasingly diverse student body  
• Curriculum vitae  
• Your teaching philosophy  
• A short personal essay describing your personal Christian faith. This essay is intended to be a statement in your own words that will help the committee to understand your interest in joining Whitworth’s community of Christian scholars. (Click here for guidance on writing the faith essay)  
• Three most recent student feedback surveys (if available)  
• Link to a recent video of performances of two contrasting works performed by candidate  
• Names, addresses, email address and phone numbers of at least three academic references (one or more additional non-academic references who are able to speak to your qualifications for the position may also be included)

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: A background check, sexual misconduct check and confirmation of degrees earned will be required of the successful candidate.

DEADLINE: Application materials will be received until the position is filled. Initial screening of applicants will begin March 1.

Whitworth complies with all federal, state, and local nondiscrimination laws that are applicable to religious nonprofit institutions and does not engage in unlawful discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. With our Christ-centered commitment to building a diverse and inclusive community, the university encourages applications from populations underrepresented at Whitworth including members of racial/ethnic communities, women, and persons with disabilities.