

Director of Instrumental Activities/Assistant Professor of Conducting/
Wind Ensemble and Orchestra Conductor

Tenure Track/Non-Tenure Track

Date of Hire:

August 2025

Description:

Houghton College invites applications for a full-time, tenure-track appointment in the School of Music at the assistant or associate level starting in August of the 2025-2026 academic year.

Job Title: Director of Instrumental Activities

Responsibilities:

Oversee the Instrumental Music Division

Lead and conduct the Houghton Wind Ensemble in multiple concerts each semester

Lead and conduct the Houghton Symphony Orchestra in multiple concerts each semester

Teach graduate instrumental conducting lessons and courses

Teach one of the undergraduate conducting courses

Teach courses in instrumental music education commensurate with successful candidate's expertise and experience.

Qualifications:

Doctorate in either conducting or music education with a cognate in conducting

Must have a minimum of 5 years successful secondary instrumental music teaching and be well versed in preparing future instrumental music educators

Outstanding teacher and conductor

Strong organizational skills

Ability and desire to collaborate with colleagues

Strong communication skills

Also required is ability to help students form respectful attitudes and interactions with people who differ in abilities, attitudes, and cultural experience, with sensitivity to factors that affect our own assessment of others.

Other important qualities for this position include a commitment to excellence and creativity in undergraduate teaching, a mature Christian faith, and an ability to integrate Christian faith into their teaching.

Salary Range:

\$43,000-53,000 annually

Deadline:

January 15, 2025

To Apply:

Visit <https://www.houghton.edu/employment/faculty-openings/> and follow the PROCEDURE FOR APPLICANTS. Candidates who meet these qualifications will be required to submit a recent teaching sample video if they are being considered for an interview. The committee will provide specific instructions for submitting videos to qualifying candidates later in the process.

For questions related specifically to this position, please contact Professor Clem, Dean of the Greatbatch School of Music: david.clem@houghton.edu

About Houghton

Founded in 1883, Houghton University is a Christian liberal arts college in the Wesleyan tradition with an overall student body representing 40 states and Canadian provinces and 25 foreign countries. US News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges" Guide has ranked Houghton among the Tier 1 National Liberal Arts institutions. Additional information on Houghton University can be found at: www.houghton.edu .

Houghton University is fully committed to a culturally diverse faculty, staff and student body. Successful candidates will evidence similar commitments.