2019-20 Graduate Assistantship

Piano Pedagogy

Eligibility
Full-time, degree-seeking graduate student. Preference will be given to students majoring in piano; however, students with other majors are encouraged to apply.

Award
Waiver of graduate tuition for 15 credit hours per year plus a stipend.

Duties
Administrative and teaching responsibilities for the Butler Community Arts School including: teaching private/group classes and organizing events/camps (15-17 hrs/week). Administrative support for the pedagogy department including: piano pedagogy library, Butler Pedagogy Symposium, MTNA Collegiate Chapter, and other duties as assigned by coordinator of piano pedagogy (3-5 hrs/week).

Faculty
Karen Thickstun, Instructor of Piano Pedagogy and Director of the Butler Community Arts School (BCAS)

Degrees
Masters of Music in:
- Composition
- Conducting (Choral or Instrumental)
- Music Education
- Performance
- Piano Pedagogy

Master of Arts in:
- Musicology

Students may also pursue a MM or MA degree with a double major.

About Butler University School of Music
> A faculty of distinguished artists and scholars who are also dedicated teachers and mentors. Indianapolis, the nation's 15th largest city, is home to a notable music recording industry, many quality church and community choirs, and a thriving artistic and cultural community.
> Professional, musical, and educational opportunities with Indianapolis-based musical organizations, including the American Pianists Association, Indianapolis Symphonic Choir, Indianapolis Children’s Choir, Indianapolis Opera, and Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra.
> Opportunities to teach professionally through the Butler Community Arts School (BCAS) and work with students in urban, suburban, and rural school settings.
> Opportunities to work with and participate in outstanding student ensembles including the Butler Symphony Orchestra, Butler Wind Ensemble, University Chorale, Butler Symphonic Band, University Choir, Chamber Singers, Jordan Jazz (vocal jazz), Jazz Ensemble, Jazz Combo, and others.
> Excellent teaching, practice, and performance facilities including 2,200-seat Clowes Memorial Hall, the 450-seat Schrott Center for the Arts, and the intimate 140-seat Eidson-Duckwall Recital Hall, all with Steinway pianos.
> Butler Master of Music alumni have enjoyed tremendous success including conducting positions with the LA Opera and Evansville Philharmonic, faculty positions at Princeton and the University of Wisconsin, doctoral studies at Rice and USC, studying in Vienna as Fulbright Scholars, and as film composers in Hollywood.

Application
Applications for admission and for graduate awards are currently being accepted for Fall 2019. The application deadline is January 1, 2019. For complete information and application requirements, visit butler.edu/music and select “Graduate Studies.”

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