Graduate Assistantships are available for 09-10 academic year renewable for two years.

**Duties:** Assist with specific studios or ensembles including the Pride of the Mountains Marching Band, Concert Choir, Wind Ensemble, Catamount Singers, Jazz Band, etc. Duties are based upon the student’s interests and/or experience. But duties may include an instrument/vocal methods class or teaching in the theory program, music appreciation or private lessons.

**Requirements:** Must be enrolled in 9 graduate credit hours and work for the School of Music 20 weekly hours.

**Stipend:** $7,000 annually. Limited out of state waivers are available. The GA position does not come with tuition remission.

**School of Music:** The School of Music offers both undergraduate and graduate degrees in Music Education, performance, Commercial and Electronic Music and Music Theatre. The School of Music is accredited by the National Association of Schools of Music (NASM). There are 150-200 performances by both faculty and students each year on Western’s campus and on tours throughout the region.

**Western Carolina University:** WCU was founded in 1889 to bring higher education and career opportunities to the western region of North Carolina. A member of the University of North Carolina system, WCU now provides an education to more than 9,000 students from 38 states and 32 countries.

**Admission:** Admission to the School of Music requires an application to both the School of Music [http://www.wcu.edu/6510.asp](http://www.wcu.edu/6510.asp) as well as an application to the Graduate School [http://www.wcu.edu/243.asp](http://www.wcu.edu/243.asp). In addition, an interview/audition is required of all graduate students. To schedule an audition please contact:

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