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Position: Director for the Wesley Foundation at Georgia Southern University

Announcement:

The Wesley Foundation at Georgia Southern University is seeking an engaging and innovative leader who can continue the growth of this vibrant ministry by creating spaces for students to grow their faith and life.

Candidate Profile:

- Deep appreciation for and experience with intentional discipleship of young adults and/or college students.
- Keen sense of approaches to creating meaningful worship experiences for college students.
- Outgoing/engaging personality that invites students into relationship with the ministry.
- Solidly rooted in a Wesleyan theology with the ability to share the tradition in a way that grows students hearts and minds.
- Love for college students that is demonstrated by meeting with individuals and groups (large and small) with ease.
- Effective organizational leadership including written and verbal communication skills.
- Ability to build and work with a team of paid and volunteer young adult leaders.
- Experience working with and supporting an active Board of Directors.
- A collegial spirit with a sense of humor.

Responsibilities:

Provide senior leadership over a vibrant and growing ministry with college students including: discipleship, preaching/teaching, mission trips, and outreach to the campus. In addition, the Director provides management of the organization including: fundraising, supervision of staff, engagement with the local Board of Directors, and collaboration with the Commission on Higher Education. The Director reports to and is supported by: the local Board of Directors, the District Superintendent, and the Executive Director of the Commission on Higher Education.



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Required Qualifications:

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty satisfactorily. The requirements listed below are representative of the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- **Education and/or Experience:** A bachelor's degree and seminary education (completed or in process) is required. Leadership experience in college ministry is preferred. Ordination (or pursuit therein) within a Wesleyan tradition is preferred.
- **Computer Skills:** Working knowledge of Outlook, Word, Excel, and ProPresenter. Familiarity with and ability to engage with social media platforms (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, etc.).
- **Self-Starter:** This candidate should be able to "self-start" programs and ministries with the campus ministry.
- **Employee Growth:** Wesley is committed to empowering the Director with the skills, support, and experiences necessary to thrive in this position. Additionally, demonstrating a healthy work/life balance for our students is essential. Therefore, the Director will work with the Board to establish resources and practices that support continued growth.
- **Compensation:** Compensation is commensurate with experience and, if ordained, within the guidelines of ordained members in the United Methodist Church. Expected salary range: \$47,000 - 65,000 + benefits.
- **Application:** Applicants may email a cover letter, photo, and resume and references to jobs@umcommission.org. For full consideration, apply by April 15, 2022

The hiring process is in partnership with the UMCommission on Higher Education (state-wide agency for UM collegiate ministry), the local Board of Directors, and the District Superintendent. This position may be considered for appointment.

Community Profile:

Georgia Southern University, founded in 1906, is a national research university with three campuses and an enrollment of 27,091 students. Campus life features seventeen Varsity Sports competing in NCAA Division 1, along with a student body noted for its gender and racial diversity. The primary campus of Georgia Southern sits in the heart of Statesboro, 45 minutes from historic Savannah on the Georgia coast. The 81,099 residents of Bulloch County know it as a vibrant center of industry, agriculture, and the arts.



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Here's what students are saying about the Wesley Foundation at Georgia Southern:

"Strong mission statement, a very welcoming team, serves the community, leadership team with strong faith and genuine personalities"

"something that i love about Wesley is the community."

"The community offered is what I love most about Wesley. It is truly unique, no other campus ministry has a community like ours. This is mostly due to Wesley the director's willingness to make things/events happen. Like cookout after Wednesday worship or other fun events where students are able to stand around and talk with each other."

"I love the environment and strong student leadership."

"Wesley has a close, friendly atmosphere that reaches out to the campus on a personal level. We have multiple outreach programs and weekly community Bible study groups. We have a worship team and service every Wednesday. Our student leadership is strong and we just began our prayer team ministry."

"We have three different leadership groups that minister in their own ways: the worship team, outreach team and community team. Worship team leads worship on Wednesday nights, outreach invites students on campus to Wesley and community team organizes events. I think it's a cool how each team has a unique purpose and reaches people in its own unique way."

Here's what students and board members are looking for in the next Director:

"Ability to engage students, experience in fundraising, desire to disciple student leaders"

"Someone who will hold me accountable."

"Most importantly, being knowledgeable about Jesus; also flexibility; being laidback, but still taking care of business; open mindedness; and dedication"

"A positive leader that loves the Lord"

"Someone that is easy to build a relationship with and someone you feel ok to confide in."

"Flexibility, understanding, respecting students and acknowledging their abilities, strong scripture knowledge and love."

"Humility, approachability, knowledgeable, learner, driven to grow self and others, servant leader."