

SPU Worship Ministries Staff

(Worship Team)

TIME REQUIREMENT & COMPENSATION:

Dependent on Position:

- **\$4000** OUM Worship Scholarship for **Worship Leader (1 position)** 10-12 hours/week
 - **\$1500** OUM Worship Scholarship for **Worship Band (4 positions)** 6-8 hours/week
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Learning Outcomes

As a result of serving in SPU Worship Ministries, student leaders will:

- Articulate a biblical understanding of worship
- Understand and practice personal discipleship as a foundation to leadership
- Learn and embody practical worship leading, event planning and marketing skills
- Articulate and understand the importance and purpose of multiethnic worship
- Understand the worship leader's responsibility to musicianship and/or artistic excellence

Career & Vocation Match

*This position is open to students of all majors and career interests.
However, this role may be a great fit for those desiring a career as a...*

- Worship Pastor/Leader/Team Member
- Sound Tech
- Graphic Designer
- Musician
- Visual or Theatrical Arts
- Choreographer

Position Description

SPU Worship Ministries

SPU Worship Ministries exists to create spaces for SPU students to encounter God through Worship, Discipleship and Community. We facilitate diverse worship experiences of fellowship and belonging by curating two main multiethnic worship services (All University Chapel Services and Group) and by serving at other events and special worship services on campus.

- **Chapel** is SPU's worship service for students, staff, and faculty. This spirit-lifting assembly is open to all members of the SPU community. Each quarter we explore a particular theme, and draw from Scripture and our Christian faith as we engage in worship through song and learn from both local and national speakers (www.spu.edu/chapel). All University Chapels are hosted the first Tuesday of the month at 11:10am; held at First Free Methodist Church. "Prayer and Communion" chapels are held on the remaining Tuesdays but would not require musical worship from the worship team.
- **Group** is SPU's Wednesday-night worship service that meets at 7:00 p.m on even weeks. This space exists to create a rhythm of pause, rest, growth, and worship on our campus. Services will feature everything from musical worship and a talk, to spiritual practices, or opportunities

to learn and engage with our campus pastors. In all of this, we seek to imagine our role both individually and corporately as part of God's story of redemption for the world. Our purpose is to grow in our love of God and love of neighbor.

What Do SPU Student Worship Teams Do?

Working alongside the University Ministries pastoral staff our SPU Student Worship Team contributes to the worship life of SPU by visioning, planning, prepping, and hosting the All University Chapel's & Group services. This requires careful preparation and thoughtful leadership that is rooted in a desire to serve God and grow together. Additionally, SPU Student Worship Teams assist in planning and leading other services throughout the year, including but not limited to worship during Orientation, and special liturgical seasons (Ash Wednesday, etc.). For more information, check-out: www.spu.edu/group and www.spu.edu/chapel.

Overview of Available Positions on SPU Worship Teams:

Worship Leader (1 position available; 10-12 hrs/week)

- leadership for All University Chapels and Group. This includes, but is not limited to:
 - Service Planning and Visioning with Group and Chapel Coordinators
 - Plan and Lead Rehearsals
 - Personal Care for Entire Team
 - Preparation and Execution of Special Services
 - Leading Worship at All University Chapel's and Group
 - Leading Worship at Special Events as assigned

Band (Up to 4 positions; 6-8 hrs/week)

- Includes both instrumentalists and vocalists, with priority to those who can do both; preference for ability to play a diverse repertoire of music. Works under team Worship Leaders to facilitate musical worship for All University Chapel's and Group. In addition to general requirements listed below, band members are expected to come prepared for weekly rehearsal having already listened to and done basic prep for new songs

General Requirements for Entire Team:

ALL SPU Worship Ministries Team members need to be committed to serve the Lord and their peers through their involvement in the worship life of SPU. They need to be supportive of one another as they work to see God's will manifested on our campus. This yearlong commitment also includes the following:

- Lead worship for All University Chapel's and Group as assigned throughout the quarter, with regular weeks off. Includes timely arrival for set-up or sound check as required.
- Attend weekly Worship Cadre and Rehearsal/Prep Time (set by Worship Leader), as well as weekly rehearsals
- Attend Spring Leadership Kick-Off (Mid May, details TBD)
- Attend weekly training sessions held during the Spring Quarter (with participants receiving a stipend for spring 2024)
- Attend Student Leadership Conference (tentatively September 24-27, 2024) and Winter Ministry Retreat (TBD)
- Attend quarterly team building events

- Attend all In-Service Events, class schedule permitting (quarterly; required for all student leaders)
- Maintain cumulative GPA of 2.75
- A commitment to uphold the SPU Student Standards of Conduct and be in good standing with the University

Qualifications

- A desire to grow spiritually and explore the worship of God through music and beyond
- Previous involvement in worship ministry preferred, but not required
- For Band Members: proficiency in one or more instruments, including vocals
- Ability to lead and follow with a servant attitude
- Ability to motivate and facilitate student involvement
- Effective communication skills
- Ability to organize and manage one's own activities (academic, outside employment, other extra-curricular involvement)
- The willingness to be mentored and taught by others, especially University Ministries staff and other professionals who have been entrusted with the long-term development of SPU's spiritual formation.

Contact Minister of Community Life, Mike Labrum, with questions!
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