

Redcoats Introduce Two New Directors to the Staff



Dr. David Lambert, Assistant Director of Bands

Dr. David Lambert is the new Assistant Director of Bands, Assistant Professor of Music, and Franklin Post-Doctoral Teaching Fellow at the University of Georgia. His primary responsibilities include assisting with the Redcoat Marching Band, teaching instrumental methods, teaching instrumentation/arranging, and supervising student teachers. Prior to his appointment at UGA, Dr. Lambert served as a Graduate Teaching Assistant with the University of Miami (FL) Band of the Hour.

"Working with the Redcoat Band is a real thrill for me," commented Dr. Lambert. "I love the band, the team, the gameday atmosphere - everything! I'm very excited to be part of such a rich and storied tradition, and I feel truly honored to be a director. Go Dawgs!"

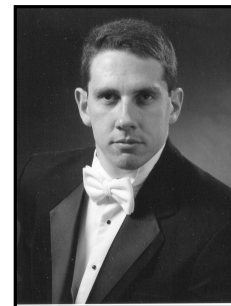


Kappa Kappa Psi Receives Top National Honor

The University of Georgia chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi, Honorary Band Service Fraternity, has been named as the top Kappa Kappa Psi chapter in the nation for 2003-2005. The award, known as the "Founder's Trophy," is the highest honor that a chapter can receive and is only given to one chapter every two years.

Kappa Kappa Psi is a coeducational Fraternity dedicated to the service, promotion, and advancement of college and university bands. Across the United States, approximately 4,000 undergraduate members, from 179 chapters, provide leadership, musicianship, and support to over 165 band programs. The Kappa Mu Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi was chartered at the University of Georgia on April 22, 1999.

Mr. Thomas Keck, Assistant Director of Bands



Tom Keck is an Assistant Director of Bands at the University of Georgia. In this capacity, he assists with all aspects of the band program, including design and instruction for the Redcoat Marching Band, primary direction of all other athletic bands, and conducting responsibilities with all UGA Bands. Additionally, Keck teaches courses in orchestration/arranging and marching band techniques. He is a candidate for the Doctor of Musical Arts in Conducting from Arizona State University and has earned music education degrees from the University of Illinois and the University of Iowa. For five years, Keck was Director of Athletic Bands at the University of New Hampshire where he oversaw all aspects of the Wildcat Marching Band and Pep Bands.

"I am thrilled to accept the position of Assistant Director of Bands at the University of Georgia," stated Mr. Keck. "I consider myself fortunate to have the opportunity to work with such talented students and committed faculty/staff. I can assure the alumni that I will work as hard as possible to maintain the established standards and ideally rise to new levels of accomplishment. Go Dawgs!"

There are 34 active members in the chapter. The Chapter Sponsor at Kappa Mu is Dr. David Romines. UGA's chapter, Kappa Mu, is only six years old, which makes it one of the youngest chapters to ever receive this prestigious award.

Musicianship, service, character, leadership and brotherhood are all traits Kappa Mu lists as fundamental to their success as a chapter. Kappa Mu's Statement of Purpose reads, "The Kappa Mu Chapter is a brotherhood dedicated to the UGA Bands through service, support, leadership and appreciate for music; operating in a respectable and enjoyable manner, with integrity and pride."

John Culvahouse, Interim Director of Bands, commented, "This is truly quite an honor for the brothers and for the UGA Bands and the Hugh Hodgson School of Music. Please join me in congratulating the brothers of Kappa Kappa Psi on this well-deserved award, and thanking them for their service to UGA Bands and to music. This is a grand representation of UGA and all of us in the Hugh Hodgson School of Music."

