

2015 FAU Marching Owls Leadership Auditions

The leadership positions in this year's group include Drum Major, Staff, Section leaders, and Row leaders. Positions are open to any returning member of the Marching Owls.

- **Drum Major** (conducting and leadership of the band on/off the field)
- **Staff** (instrument, uniform, attendance, staff manager, drill assistants, etc...)
 - **Staff Manger**
 - **Field Coordinator**
 - **Training Coordinator**
 - **Uniform Manager**
 - **Librarian**
 - **Equipment Manager**
 - **Travel Manager**
- **Section leader** (section and voice group rehearsal)
- **Row Leader** (marching fundamentals training)

There are three steps for all leadership positions and 4 additional steps for all Drum Major candidates.

1. Fill out the attached form in its entirety and submit to Dr. Murray by the due date.
2. Sign-up and interview with Dr. Murray
3. Complete marching and playing audition, Monday March 16th 5-8pm
 - a. The playing audition should consist of a minimum of 32 measures on your primary instrument.
 - b. Marching fundamentals will include: Attention, Parade Rest, Hacing commands, Mark time, Drag turns, Horns up, Forward and Backward marches from stationary positions or mark time, and Band halt.

Drum Major candidates must also complete the additional steps to be considered for the position.

4. First Round
 - a. Prepare and conduct provided score to a recording (March 16th 5-8pm)
 - b. Score analysis evaluation.
5. Second Round
 - a. Conduct National Anthem in front of Symphony or Pep Band. (March 31st 5:00pm)
 - b. Teach marching fundamentals to a row of peers. (April 3rd)
 - c. Perform pregame run-on sequence with salute. (April 3rd)
6. Third Round
 - a. Candidates will be asked to conduct the band at the FAU Spring Football game (Saturday April 11th), for final evaluation and determination.

The need for strong student leadership is an essential element in any marching band, so I hope you strongly consider applying for a position. **Please fill out the included form and return it to me by Friday February 27th.** Sign-up sheets for one-on one interviews will be posted on Dr. Murray's office door. (AH115) Please sign up for a time when you deliver your form.

2015 Marching Owls Leadership Application

Name _____ Section _____

Email address: _____

years in the Marching Owls. _____

Major _____

Position(s) you are applying for: *(check all that apply)*

Drum Major _____

Staff: _____

☐ Field Coordinator ☐ Training Coordinator ☐ Uniform Manager

☐ Librarian ☐ Staff Manager ☐ Equipment Manger ☐ Travel Manager

Section Leader _____

Row Leader _____

Guard Captain _____

Majorette Captain _____

Related Experience Applied to the Position Selected Above

- 1) Write and attach a **detailed** essay addressing specific examples that enhance your qualification for the position(s) applied for. Also, please answer the following questions:
 - a. What are the aspects of a good leader?
 - b. What traits make you qualified as a leader?
 - c. Discuss in depth ways that you can make a positive impact in the overall product of the Marching Owls.
 - d. What are some ideas you have for the band this upcoming season?

**This information is very important and will impact the choices made.
The timeliness in submitting this form will also be taken into
consideration.**

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE IN THE BAND OFFICE BY FRIDAY February 27th