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Lawrence University's Jeffrey Ostroski has been named lead trumpet player for the 2005 Midwest Regional Conference Intercollegiate Jazz Ensemble. The 20-member big band, selected from among the top collegiate student musicians from jazz programs in eight midwestern states, will perform April 15-16, 2005 at the International Association of Jazz Education (IAJE) conference at Columbia College in Chicago.

"Jeff's appointment as the lead trumpet player is a tremendous honor," said Fred Sturm, director of jazz and improvisational music at Lawrence. "Jazz program directors from across the Midwest were asked to nominate two students for the All-Star ensemble, understanding that only one would ultimately be selected. The resulting band is a representation of the finest collegiate jazz students from the top university jazz programs in the region. Jeff will be performing and ultimately networking with peers who share his talents and love for jazz."

A junior from Guilford, Conn., Ostroski is currently a member of the Lawrence University Jazz Ensemble, the Lawrence Wind Ensemble and the Lawrence Symphony Orchestra. He also plays with a Lawrence jazz combo and a brass quintet.