

## **Dr. Shannon Jeffreys, Director**

Dr. Shannon Jeffreys is Associate Professor and Director of Choral Activities at Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, Georgia. Her focus is the *Southern Chorale*, teaching in the undergraduate and graduate conducting and music education curriculums, along with directing *Southern Gentlemen* and mentoring *Southern Sirens*. In 2015, she received the College of Liberal Arts and Social Science's *Award of Distinction in Teaching*. She has led these choirs in five international choral competitions and two national competitions where the choirs won significant awards. In 2019, she received the conductor's award from the Ave Verum International Choral Competition in Baden, Austria. Choirs under her direction have also been featured at multiple state and national conferences, most recently performing at the National Collegiate Choral Organization's National Conference.

Dr. Jeffreys maintains an active schedule as a presenter, adjudicator, lecturer and guest conductor from secondary to collegiate institutions throughout the United States and serves as an international choral adjudicator with *Meeting Music*. She serves on the Artistic Committee for Music for All National Choral Festival and recently published in ACDA's *ChorTeach*. In 2015, she launched the first *Southern Invitational High School Choral Competition* that is now the first regional choral festival affiliate for *Music for All National Choir Festival presented by Yamaha*.

Before coming to Georgia Southern, Dr. Jeffreys served as Director of Vocal Studies at Erskine College and Theological Seminary. She holds degrees in music performance and conducting from Birmingham Southern College, the University of Mississippi, and the University of South Carolina.