

Nicole Snodgrass Bio Director of Junior Choir and Chapel Choir

Nicole Snodgrass is a highly skilled and winsome leader with over 30 years of experience in choral music. Her impressive accomplishments and leadership promise continued growth for our youth choirs. Nicole Snodgrass earned her M.M. in Choral Conducting from Messiah University and B.S. in Music Education from West Chester University. She has been the choral director at Ursinus College since August 2022. In 2023, Nicole Snodgrass was awarded the Ursinus College Inclusion & Equity Faculty Award. Under her direction, the Voices of Ursinus performed "The National Anthem" at a Philadelphia Phillies game and worked with several award-winning composers and ensembles. In April 2025, the Voices of Ursinus premiered the commissioned work, "May You Walk Gently" by Grammy Award-winning vocalist and composer Blake Morgan. In March 2025, the Ursinus College Singers traveled to New Orleans for a choir tour and performed at historic St. Louis Cathedral and Loyola University New Orleans.

From 1999 to 2024, Nicole Snodgrass was the choral director at Cherokee High School in Marlton, New Jersey. Her choirs from Cherokee High School performed at The White House, Carnegie Hall, with the band Foreigner, and have toured England, Ireland, San Francisco, New York City, Boston, New Orleans, and Charleston, South Carolina. Her Concert Choir and Girls Ensemble were featured performers at ACDA and NJMEA conferences. In 2021, her Concert Choir was chosen as one of six finalists in the Cork International Virtual Choir Competition, along with choirs from the Netherlands, Indonesia, Israel, Switzerland, and Austria.

Nicole Snodgrass served as choral director for the 2023 American Music Abroad Voices Tour and presented concerts in Belgium, Austria, Switzerland, Germany, Luxembourg, and France. In 2020, she conducted the New Jersey All-State Treble Chorus and was the recipient of the 2020 NJMEA New Jersey Master Music Teacher Award. She has been a guest presenter at the New Jersey Music Educators Association State Conference, Westminster Choir College, Messiah University, The College of New Jersey, University of the Arts, South Jersey Choral Directors Association, and the American Choral Directors Association of Pennsylvania. She is a two-time quarterfinalist for the Grammy Music Educator Award and was named one of Suburban Family Magazine's "Outstanding Teachers."

In addition to teaching, Nicole Snodgrass has sung professionally for more than 30 years, serving as soprano soloist at historic Old Pine Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia since 1996. In February 2025, she was the soprano soloist in the East Coast premiere of *The Water Cycle* by Teri Card Heller, written for soprano, violin, and piano. She has been a featured soloist with the Brandywine Valley Chorale, Ocean City Pops Orchestra, Kelso North Parish Church in Scotland, and has performed choral works with the Kennett Symphony, Pennsylvania Ballet, and Delaware Symphony Orchestra.