

Department: Theatre
Faculty Hire Number: 20-11

Effective Date of Appointment: August 19, 2020
(Subject to Budgetary Approval)

Rank: Assistant Professor

Salary: Dependent upon qualifications

About the University:

One of the largest universities in the country, California State University, Northridge (CSUN) is an urban, comprehensive university that delivers award-winning undergraduate and graduate programs to nearly 40,000 students annually and counts more than 330,000 alumni who elevate Southern California and beyond. Since its founding in 1958, CSUN has made a significant and long-term economic impact on California, generating nearly \$1.9 billion in economic impact and more than 11,700 jobs each year. The LAEDC recognized CSUN as its 2015 Eddy Award winner for its positive economic impact. Serving more students on Pell Grants than any other institution in California, CSUN is also a social elevator and one of the most diverse universities in the country. As both an AANAPISI & HSI (Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution & Hispanic Serving Institution), CSUN welcomes candidates whose experience in teaching, research, or community service has prepared them to contribute to our commitment to diversity and inclusive excellence. CSUN ranks 13th in awarding bachelor's degrees to historically underrepresented students and enrolls the largest number of students who are Deaf and hard of hearing of any U.S. state university. The journal *Nature* recently named CSUN a Rising Star for scientific research, and the NSF ranks CSUN in the top five nationally among similar institutions for graduates who go on to earn doctorates in the sciences. CSUN is where individuals rise. And through them, so does Greater Los Angeles and beyond.

About the College:

The Mike Curb college of Arts, Media, and Communication includes the departments of Art, Cinema and Television Arts, Communication Studies, Journalism, Music, and Theatre. The college has approximately 110 tenured/tenure-track faculty and enrolls over 5,300 undergraduate and graduate students. The college hosts the following centers, institutes, and community outreach initiatives: The Entertainment Industry Institute, the Center for Visual Communication (VISCOM), The Music Therapy Wellness Clinic, Teenage Drama Workshop, and Youth Orchestra.

About the Department:

The department of theatre at California State University, Northridge offers liberal-arts based B.A. and M.A. programs serving over 200 students. The department is fully accredited by the National Association of schools of Theatre. We are seeking applicants for a full-time tenure track faculty position in theatre history, dramatic literature, and criticism. The department's programs are designed to enrich the student's aesthetic and intellectual needs in the areas of theatrical production, performance, history/literature/criticism, and to provide pre-professional training. Eight or more full-length productions of dramas, musicals, and operas are cast, rehearsed and mounted annually by faculty, staff, students and guest artists. International, national, regional and local artists consistently offer seminars and workshops to further enrich the program.

CSUN's Commitment to You:

CSUN is committed to achieving excellence through teaching, scholarship, learning and inclusion. Our values include a respect for all people, building partnerships with the community and the encouragement of innovation, experimentation and creativity. CSUN strives to cultivate a community in which a diverse population can learn and work in an atmosphere of civility and respect. CSUN is especially interested in candidates who make contributions to equity and inclusion in the pursuit of excellence for all members of the university community.

For more information about the University, visit: <http://www.csun.edu>

Qualifications:

- Ph.D. in Theatre/Performance from an accredited institution; ABDs may apply. However, degree must be completed on or before August 19, 2020.
- Teaching experience at the university/college level required. Three years of teaching experience at the university/college level, preferred.

- Demonstrated ability and experience teaching the span of world traditions in theatre history and literature required; experience teaching Latin-American, African, Arabic or Asian theatre and drama, preferred.
- Strengths or related experience in dramaturgy, performance research, digital histories, and/or applied theatre; research showing an interdisciplinary scope of theatre that demonstrates a global perspective, preferred.
- Evidence of scholarly research and publication plan and activities.
- Experience teaching and/or creating online and hybrid classes, desirable.
- Demonstrated ability to work effectively and collegially with a diverse student, staff and faculty population, required.
- Excellent communication and organization skills, required.

At time of appointment, the successful candidate, if not a U.S. citizen, must have authorization from the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to work in the United States.

Responsibilities:

- Teach introductory survey and advanced courses in Theatre History, Dramatic Literature, and Theory/Criticism
- Teach World Drama and Performance in the general education program
- Teach graduate seminars in area of specialization and in related courses as needed
- Student advisement and service on Department, College, and University committees. For purpose of reappointment, promotion, and tenure, emphasis will be placed on teaching effectiveness, scholarly, and/or creative and professional achievement, and service to the University and community
- Contribute to both their chosen disciplines and the University's commitments to general education, teacher preparation, K-12 partnerships, and community outreach

The successful candidate will be held to the standards and requirements of the college and department in which he/she is housed for recommending tenure and promotion.

Application Deadline:

Screening of applications will begin **September 30, 2019**. Priority will be given to applicants who meet the screening deadline; however, the position will remain open until filled.

Applicants must submit:

- Cover letter addressing the applicant's strengths relative to the qualifications and responsibilities cited above
- Current curriculum vitae (CV) or professional resume
- Statement of teaching philosophy
- Sample course syllabi and teaching evaluations (recommended)
- Research and publication plan or portfolio
- Names, addresses, and phone numbers of at least three professional references

In later phases of the search process, the Search and Screen committee will contact the applicants to submit three reference letters with original signatures. Applicants may be requested to provide verification of terminal degrees, licenses and certificates.

How to Apply:

This institution is using Interfolio by Committee to conduct this search. Applicants to this position receive a free Dossier account and can send all application materials, including confidential letters of recommendation, free of charge to: <http://apply.interfolio.com/66852>

General Information:

In compliance with the Annual Security Report & Fire Safety Report of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act, California State University, Northridge has made crime-reporting statistics available on- line [here](#). Print copies are available by request from the Department of Police Services, the Office for Faculty Affairs, and the Office of Equity and Diversity.

The person holding this position may be considered a 'mandated reporter' under the California Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act and is required to comply with the requirements set forth in [CSU Executive Order 1083](#) as a condition of employment.

A background check (including a criminal records check) must be completed satisfactorily before any candidate can be offered a position with the CSU. Failure to satisfactorily complete the background check may affect the application status of applicants or continued employment of current CSU employees who apply for the position.

national origin, age, gender, gender identity/expression, sexual orientation, genetic information, medical condition, marital status, veteran status, and disability. Our nondiscrimination policy is set forth in [CSU Executive Order 1096](#). Reasonable accommodations will be provided for applicants with disabilities who self-disclose by contacting the Office of Faculty Affairs at (818) 677-2962.