

Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) - Devised Performance and Theatre Creation

The Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance at the University of Regina invites applications for a tenure-track position in Directing and Devising at Theatre Department at The University of Regina. The Theatre Department launches its new BFA in Devised Performance and Theatre Creation, and BA in Theatre Studies and Dramatic Arts in September 2022.

In this vibrant new BFA program, candidates will be responsible for teaching across a number of areas including: devised theatre, new play development, acting, facilitating devised projects, and directing department productions. Candidates will also teach in specialized area/areas of theatre performance, production or dramaturgy. This new program has enabled us to critical rethink and reimagine theatre training today, and we welcome artist-scholars with new, pluralistic, culturally conscious, and rigorous theatre methodologies in training the theatre artists of tomorrow.

We seek a candidate that will demonstrate expertise in and have a dynamic and engaged record of theatre/performance-creation, possess an MFA or PhD, and demonstrate significant creative-critical output at the professional/peer-reviewed level with the ability to connect theory to practice. Preference will be given to those with a substantial record of successful teaching experience at the post-secondary level and a sustainable robust research agenda.

Candidates must be able to demonstrate substantial engagement with non-traditional theatre creation and possess the ability to teach across the curriculum. Further, candidates will need to demonstrate professional or successful teaching experience in at least one, but preferably two, of the following areas: Design-led creation, clown/circus, physical theatre, new music composition, digital/multimedia theatre, site-specific theatre, and new play creation/playwriting. Candidates will also be comfortable and willing to teach and supervise MA and MFA students. We are looking for a collaborative, flexible artist-scholar who has the ability to positively engage with our local communities and an often-diverse student body who is able to work in partnership to produce highly creative large and small-scale student productions. We are looking for a candidate with anti-racist and decolonial ideologies who is committed to sustainable practices and teaching. The Department encourages applications from individuals who identify as members of communities under-represented in the fields of new play development, devised performance and theatre creation.

The University of Regina is situated in the southern Saskatchewan Prairies, where there is an exciting artistic renewal taking place in several of our leading cultural organizations. The Theatre Department in the Faculty of Media Art and Performance is proud to be a part of that renewal. Here there is big sky, offering space for the right candidate to create, both in the landscape and in our beautifully equipped state-of-the-art facilities. These include the 439-seat University Theatre and the adjacent, versatile Shumiatcher Open Stage, also known as the Shu-Box Theatre.

The Theatre Department is an engaged member of our community. We take pride in our relationships with the Globe Theatre and in past collaborations, such as the Making Treaty 4 project, and in previous collaborations with local independent companies Listen to Dis and Curtain Razors. For 25 years the Theatre Department has hosted the Playwright's Reading Series, which has focussed on bringing prominent, award-winning Canadian playwrights to our university and theatre community. We are currently working in partnership with Regina's On Cue Performance Hub in creating space for new, alternative theatre-makers in our city to produce new works.

The University of Regina is located in the heart of a vibrant, and increasingly diverse, mid-sized city in the centre of the beautiful Canadian prairies on Treaty 4 Territory with a presence in Treaty 6, the territories of the Nêhiyawak, Anihšînapêk, Dakota, Lakota, and Nakoda peoples, and the traditional homeland of the Métis/Michif Nation.

The University has a student population of 16,000+ and is home to 10 faculties, including a multitude of academic departments and program areas. These units have established national and international reputations for excellence and innovative programs leading to bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. The University has three federated colleges: First Nations University of Canada, Campion College, and Luther College. Our colleges bring further excellence and diversity to the educational experiences we offer.

With a faculty complement of 35 full-time professors, including some of the most celebrated contemporary artists in the country, the Faculty of Media, Art, and Performance enjoys a long-standing reputation as one of Western Canada's foremost environments for artistic research at the undergraduate and graduate levels. Emphasizing the importance of studio production and theory, we offer BA, BFA, BMus, MMus, MA, MFA, and an Interdisciplinary Studies PhD in Media and Artistic Practices. MAP has numerous international partnership universities, with many innovative mobility initiatives for both faculty and students in Mexico City and the UK, among other locations. MAP is now home to a new Canada Research Chair in Socially Engaged Theatre (Tier II) and the SaskPower Chair in Cultural Heritage.

The University of Regina is strongly committed to employment equity within its communities and to recruiting a diverse faculty and staff.

Position Requirements

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