



ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION VACANCY
Assistant Professor of Dance

SUMMARY: The Department of Theatre Arts at Colorado Mesa University, Grand Junction, Colorado, invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Dance. This assistant professor teaches a standard course load of 12 hours per semester in dance, including upper and lower division jazz and tap courses and lecture courses. Teaching may involve online, hybrid and/or distance delivery modalities. Collaboration with departmental faculty in the development and refinement of program curriculum required. Committee assignments, recruiting activities, advising, and departmental service required.

ADDITIONAL DUTIES:

- choreograph each semester for the faculty dance concert;
- direct one dance concert per year;
- choreograph one musical per year;
- significant participation in recruiting and advising; and,
- serve as a leader in a BFA dance program focused toward commercial dance.

EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE: MFA in Dance, or MA in Dance plus significant professional equivalency. Degree must be from an accredited institution.

DESIRED/PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Professional performance experience
- Experience teaching and choreographing from among jazz, tap, and musical theatre styles
- Ability to teach courses in one or more of the following: *Improvisation, Dance Composition, Music for Dancers, Dance Appreciation, Dance Pedagogy, Choreography or Dancer Health.*
- Experience in various forms of commercial dance and musical theatre also preferred.

Colorado Mesa University is particularly interested in candidates who have experience working with students from diverse backgrounds and who have a demonstrated commitment to improving the levels of access and success for underrepresented students within higher education.

SALARY: Commensurate with experience and qualifications. Excellent health and retirement benefits.

DEADLINE: Open until filled. To ensure consideration, complete applications must be received by June 30, 2017.

APPOINTMENT: Full-time tenure-track appointment to begin August 2017.

THE DEPARTMENT: Colorado Mesa University is a growing public institution with an enrollment of more than 10,000 students. The Department of Theatre Arts offers B.F.A programs in Acting/Directing, Musical Theatre, Technical Theatre, and Dance, with minors in Theatre, Dance, and Speech.

APPLICATION: Submit a cover letter clearly addressing minimum and desired/preferred qualifications and duties listed above; a one to two page personal statement of choreographic interests and teaching philosophies; curriculum vitae with current e-mail address; three letters of reference, at least one of whom is from a current or previous supervisor; a copy of transcripts for all degrees completed (official transcripts will be required upon hire); three examples of recent choreographic works (featuring tap, jazz and musical theatre) in their entirety in DVD or web format; and the following completed forms:

- Applicant Authorization to permit Search Committee members to review candidate transcript
- Applicant Authorization and Release to Conduct Reference and Background Check form
- Voluntary Affirmative Action form

Email to: CMUJobs@coloradomesa.edu. If e-mailing application materials, please put the search name in the subject line to ensure that your materials are forwarded to the appropriate search file. Electronic application materials must be submitted as a .pdf or Word document (no size limit). Electronic materials submitted in any other format will not be accepted. Please do not copy and paste application materials into the body of your email; send materials as attachments.

OR mail to: Colorado Mesa University Assistant Professor of Dance Search Committee
1100 North Avenue
Human Resources
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Colorado Mesa University is committed to providing a safe and productive learning and living community. To achieve that goal, we conduct background investigations for all final applicants being considered for employment. Background investigations include reference checks, a criminal history record check, and when appropriate, a financial and/or motor vehicle history. Applicant must be able to verify U.S. employment eligibility. Colorado Mesa University is an Equal Opportunity Employer, committed to a culturally diverse faculty, staff and student body. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.

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