

DENISON UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF DANCE - ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF DANCE, TENURE TRACK

Denison University seeks an active artist/scholar who works within African Diaspora/Africanist traditions to join a vibrant dance program at a private liberal arts college. Successful candidates are expected to be excellent teachers, to maintain a productive, ongoing research agenda, and to contribute actively to the continued growth of the department and the college. Review of applicants will begin Nov. 17, 2017, and will continue until the position is filled.

We seek a dance educator who will bring an interdisciplinary 21st century perspective to courses in movement practice, creative inquiry, and dance theory for a tenure track position in the Department of Dance. The successful candidate must be able to teach two or more of the following areas of theoretical/creative inquiry: dance composition/improvisation, cultural studies in dance history, somatic practices, and/or movement analysis, and bring a rigorous physical practice rooted in Africanist cultural aesthetics. The teaching load of 5 courses per year is expected to include creating original, cultural, or reconstructed choreographic works on student performers.

Experience teaching writing will be a plus. With the University's current internationalization initiative, we welcome a colleague who can bring an international scope to our campus through new or developing relationships. Preference may be given to candidates who bring these experiences to the position.

This colleague will be expected to contribute to a collaborative and team-based environment, with a small faculty of three whose aim is to sustain, develop, and grow the department. In addition to responsibilities to his/her/their own teaching and scholarly agenda, the successful candidate will also be expected to participate actively in the administrative and curricular vision of the department and serve the greater community of the college and/or the discipline.

#### Qualifications

M.F.A. or Ph.D. in dance, or where dance is a primary focus. Degree expected at time of application or official notification that the degree has been conferred by the start of the appointment on August 2017. Demonstrated evidence of successful university teaching for diverse student populations in various levels of African, African American and/or African diaspora dance forms, and in two or more of the theory lines listed above.

For more information and to apply go to: <https://employment.denison.edu/postings/1665>

#### Dance Department

The Dance Department is part of a rich Fine Arts Division of six distinct departments (art history and visual culture, studio art, theatre, music, dance and cinema) that work collaboratively. We are excited to announce the opening of a new performing arts center in 2019, the Eisner Center for Performing Arts, to house dance, music, and theatre. The Dance Department has been an independent department offering a major since 1972. With three full-time faculty lines, and a well-endowed fund to invite visiting artists and scholars every semester, we graduate 3-5 majors per year and service over 100 students per semester. Our curriculum encompasses movement practice focused in African diaspora and contemporary dance forms, and dance studies in four areas of inquiry (Movement Analysis, Cultural Studies, Somatics, and Composition).

#### Denison University

Denison University is an academically rigorous liberal arts college with an increasingly diverse campus community. It offers a competitive salary and a comprehensive benefits package.

Denison is located in the village of Granville, 30 minutes from Columbus, Ohio, the state capitol, which hosts a wide range of cultural and artistic opportunities. Granville also offers an excellent public school system.

To achieve our mission as a liberal arts college, we continually strive to foster a diverse campus community, which recognizes the value of all persons regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, disability, or socio-economic background. For additional information and resources about diversity at Denison, please see our [Diversity Guide](#). Denison University is an Equal Opportunity Employer.