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[Acting & Directing for the Stage](#)

The Department of Theatre at Northwestern University is searching for an exceptional Professor of Acting and Directing. We seek to recruit an individual engaged in expert training and pedagogy related to Acting and Directing for the Stage. We welcome applicants with expertise in areas including, but not limited to, the following: Acting, Directing, Scene Study, Collaboration, Movement, Voice, Design and Non-Western Techniques and orientation.

This is an open-rank, tenure-eligible position, hiring at any appropriate rank up to Full Professor. Our intention is to recruit individuals with a track record of excellence in acting/directing pedagogy to move the field forward. The successful candidate will be expected to teach in both the undergraduate acting/directing training program and the MFA training programs within the department. Our department has experience in multiple approaches, providing a strong infrastructure to support collaborations across disciplines.

Preferred Start Date: September 1, 2024

Qualifications:

1. Senior teacher of acting and directing for the stage
2. Substantive experience in the professional field

Duties:

- Teach 2 classes within the acting program and 2 in the directing program
- Collaborate with other disciplines across the theatre department
- Mentor students
- Curriculum development
- Special event development

Salary: Competitive, depending on qualifications and experience

Application procedure: Applications will only be accepted via [online](#) submission to our [faculty recruiting system](#). Please including the following materials in your application: a cover letter describing your teaching philosophy, research interests and experience, a current vita, three contacts for letters of recommendation, and a teaching portfolio including teaching evaluations, sample syllabi, and other relevant materials. Forward questions to the Search Committee Chair, [Jessica Thebus](#). For more information about the Department, please visit us [online](#).

The School: The School of Communication has five departments and offers a suite of interdisciplinary undergraduate, professional, and graduate programs. The departments span the communication arts and sciences including the Department of Radio-Television-Film, the Roxelyn and Richard Pepper Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, the Department of Communication Studies, the Department of Performance Studies, and the Department of Theatre (which includes music theatre and dance). The faculty of over 190

includes 109 tenure-eligible faculty. The school offers instruction to roughly 1200 undergraduate majors and 700 graduate and professional students. Founded over 135 years ago, the School has been a leader in developing the communication disciplines and professions and continues to be a center of excellence in the communication arts and sciences. Our current Dean is [E. Patrick Johnson](#).

The University: [Northwestern University](#) is one of the nation's largest private research universities. Located on the shore of Lake Michigan, the main campus is in Evanston and the medical campus is 12 miles south in downtown Chicago. There is continuing expansion of University facilities and programs, particularly in the sciences and medicine. Diverse cultural, social, and recreational activities abound on and near each campus.

Application Deadline: January 15, 2024. For full consideration, applications should be submitted by the deadline, but review of applications will continue until the position is filled.

Northwestern strongly recommends COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters for people who can obtain them as a critical tool for minimizing severe illness. More information can be found on the [COVID-19 and Campus Updates](#) webpage.

The Northwestern campus sits on the traditional homelands of the people of the Council of Three Fires, the Ojibwe, Potawatomi, and Odawa as well as the Menominee, Miami and Ho-Chunk nations. We acknowledge and honor the original people of the land upon which Northwestern University stands, and the Native people who remain on this land today.

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