Open Rank Directing/Narrative Filmmaking, Fiction

Northwestern University's Department of Radio/Television/Film seeks an outstanding Professor of Media Production specializing in narrative fiction for cinema and television, to teach narrative techniques and aesthetics to undergraduate students and graduate students in our MFA in Documentary Media program.

This is an open-rank, tenure-eligible position, hiring at any appropriate rank, up to Full Professor. We seek a filmmaker with an established or emerging national and international reputation, who has an impact on the field with an innovative body of work directing and/or producing theatrical features and/or scripted episodic television. Additional significant experience in writing, editing, cinematography, or other cinematic crafts a plus.

We welcome candidates who work across different media – we have strong ties to the Department of Theatre, the Department of Performance Studies, and the Department of Communication Studies – and ideally, we seek candidates with an emphasis on underrepresented voices.

Preferred Start Date: September 1, 2024.

Qualifications:

- 1. Professional practice and/or creative activity in narrative audiovisual media production: Substantial directing and/or producing credits in narrative feature film and scripted episodic television.
- 2. MFA degree (or equivalent professional experience).
- 3. At least one year of teaching at the University Level.

Core Responsibilities:

- Teaching classes in the RTVF production curriculum
- Service to the Department of Radio/TV/Film

Salary: Competitive, depending on qualifications and experience.

Application procedure: Applications and supporting documents will be accepted only by <u>online submission here</u>. For full consideration, please include the following materials in your application: a cover letter describing your work and your teaching, a CV, links to view complete features, shorts, and/or television episodes you have directed (excerpts fine for a work-in-progress) and three contacts for letters of recommendation. Forward questions regarding the position to <u>Search Committee Chair</u>, <u>Spencer Parsons</u> For more information about the Department, please visit our department website.

The School: The <u>School of Communication</u> 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 130 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: November 17, 2023. 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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Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the United States. For more information, please visit the University's Policy on Institutional Equity.

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