

The Department of Performance Studies at Northwestern University invites applications to fill a tenure-track position in Africana Performance Studies at the rank of assistant professor to begin September 1, 2020. Applicants must possess or supply evidence that all requirements for the degree will be completed by August 1, 2020.

We seek a scholar with teaching and research interests in Africana Performance Studies, broadly defined, with preference for a focus on continental Africa but open to Afrodiasporic performance with a comparative component (e.g., African performance in South America, Caribbean, Europe, Canada, etc.).

The department is particularly interested in scholars who maintain a portfolio of performance practice and deploy ethnographic methodologies. A Ph.D. in performance studies or in a cognate discipline with demonstrated knowledge of performance studies is required.

In addition to maintaining an active research agenda, the successful applicant should demonstrate excellence in teaching and a willingness to advise and mentor both undergraduate and graduate students in performance research and practice. The applicant should be prepared to teach courses in her or his research area in addition to core courses in performance studies, particularly courses on research methods and performance theory.

Applications and supporting documents will be accepted only by online submission at the following link <https://facultyrecruiting.northwestern.edu/apply/NzU1>. Application materials should include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, writing sample of no more than 25 pages or article length manuscript, and three letters of recommendation (submitted separately). For full consideration, applications should be submitted by December 15, 2019. Inquiries about the search may be sent to ps@northwestern.edu.

Northwestern University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer of all protected classes including veterans and individuals with disabilities. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. Hiring is contingent upon eligibility to work in the United States.

Northwestern University Northwestern is a top-tier, private research university with three campuses: Evanston, Chicago, and Doha. The Evanston campus, located just north of Chicago and on Lake Michigan, houses the six schools that offer undergraduate instruction (music, education and social policy, journalism, engineering and applied science, arts and sciences, and communication), the Graduate School, and the Kellogg School of Management. The Chicago campus is home to the schools of medicine and law. The new Doha campus, in Qatar, offers an undergraduate program in journalism and communication.

The School of Communication

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 and include the Roxelyn and Richard Pepper Department of

Communication Sciences and Disorders, the Department of Communication Studies, the Department of Radio-Television-Film, the Department of Performance Studies, and the Department of Theatre (which includes music theatre and dance). The faculty of 150 includes 105 tenure-track 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. The current Dean of the School is Barbara J. O'Keefe.