



UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN

College of Arts and Science

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Assistant Professor, Department of Drama Tenure-track; Specializing in Acting and Voice

Qualified applicants with a focus on **Acting** and **Voice** with a strong specialization in **Devised Theatre** are invited to apply for a full-time tenure-track position at the rank of Assistant Professor in the Department of Drama in the College of Arts and Science at the University of Saskatchewan to begin July 1, 2021.

As the successful candidate, you will be active as an artist/scholar/educator in all aspects of the life and work of a department that is embarking on a dynamic phase of renewal. In addition to teaching acting classes across all areas of the undergraduate acting program, you will be responsible for collaborating with your colleagues to develop an integrated approach to voice, movement, and production in the department. This collaboration will include a strong commitment to directing a production in the Greystone Theatre season in rotation with other faculty members. Your expertise in voice will be a valued asset to rebuilding the department's strong training in established theatrical practices, while your specialization in devised theatre will open new doors to collective creation, self-production and new/emerging work in our theatre season. Additional strengths in one or more of these areas will be seen as assets to a revitalized new curriculum: movement for the stage, Indigenous theatre and performance, playwriting and dramaturgy, postmodern and post-colonial theory and Western Canadian theatre and performance history.

The Department of Drama is a dynamic department with a key focus on the B.F.A. in Acting and Design and the wicêhtowin Theatre Program (WTP); this innovative new certificate program launched in 2015 strengthens the department's interdisciplinary connections with other University units engaged in Indigenous educational, cultural, artistic outreach; enhances its already-strong community and professional partnerships; and enriches department programming on all levels. In addition, the department offers a three-and four-year B.A. program and M.A. program opportunities on a special case basis. Our students regularly serve internships with local professional theatres to enhance their training and transition to the professional theatre. The oldest Drama Department in the British Commonwealth, our program has an outstanding track record of community engagement, experiential learning, and a long-standing commitment to producing excellent graduates dedicated to celebrating, building, and transforming the theatre community. Many of our alumni have graced the most prominent national and international stages, and have made highly successful careers for themselves in the theatre and motion picture industry. Many others have played a vital role in developing drama in the schools and communities of Saskatchewan or successfully aspired to careers as scholar/practitioners at universities in Canada and abroad.

The College of Arts & Science offers a dynamic combination of programs in the humanities and fine arts, the social sciences and the sciences. There are over 10,000 undergraduate and graduate students in the College and 312 faculty, including 10 Canada Research Chairs. The College emphasizes student and faculty research, interdisciplinary programs, a focus on Aboriginal engagement, as well as community outreach and international opportunities.

The University of Saskatchewan's main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. The University of Saskatchewan is located in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, a city with a diverse and thriving economic base, a vibrant arts community and a full range of leisure opportunities. The University has a reputation for excellence in teaching, research and scholarly activities and offers a full range of undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs to a student population of over 25,000.

Qualifications:

The successful candidate will possess a PhD or an M.F.A. in Theatre. Intensive training and applied experience in Acting or Directing with a concentration in vocal performance is essential. Preference will be given to candidates who have a strong specialization in Devised Theatre. Consistent with the department's commitment to developing excellence in teaching, the successful candidate will demonstrate a strong theoretical and applied grasp of a range of methodologies and approaches focused on voice, acting and collective creation. We particularly invite applications from colleagues who combine professional theatre experience with previous experience teaching studio, seminar and lecture classes at a post-secondary level.

Salary Bands (July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022)

Assistant Professor: \$98,178 to 117,978; Associate Professor: \$117,978 to \$137,778; and Professor \$137,778 to \$160,878. The position will be at the Assistant Professor level.

Benefits:

This position includes a comprehensive benefits package which includes a dental, health and extended vision care plan; pension plan, life insurance (compulsory and voluntary), academic long-term disability, sick leave, travel insurance, death benefits, an employee assistance program, a professional expense allowance, and a flexible health and wellness spending program.

Interested candidates must submit, via email to: moira.day@usask.ca, a cover letter; detailed curriculum vitae; graduate transcripts, and 3 letters of reference. A philosophy of teaching statement, and a sample of writing and /or creative work supportive of the application, are also required. The letters of reference must be received directly from the references or a third-party application service, and not via the candidate.

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Due to federal immigration requirements, we also ask candidates to indicate whether they are Canadian citizens, permanent residents, or are otherwise already authorized to work at this position for the duration of the appointment, with an explanation if this last category is indicated.

Review of applications will begin January 12, 2021; however, applications will be accepted and evaluated until the position is filled. The anticipated start date is July 1, 2021.

The University believes equity, diversity, and inclusion strengthen the community and enhance excellence, innovation and creativity. We are dedicated to recruiting individuals who will enrich our work and learning environments. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, in accordance with Canadian immigration requirements, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority.

We are committed to providing accommodations to those with a disability or medical necessity. If you require an accommodation in order to participate in the recruitment process, please notify us and we will work together on the accommodation request.

The University of Saskatchewan's main campus is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We pay our respects to the First Nations and Métis ancestors of this place and reaffirm our relationship with one another. Together, we are uplifting Indigenous to a place of prominence at the University of Saskatchewan.