

Job Title: Assistant Professor - African and/or Afro-Caribbean Theatre and Performance History & Historiography

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Job Category: Faculty - Tenure Stream (continuing)

Faculty/Division: Faculty of Arts & Science

Department: Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies

Campus: St. George (Downtown Toronto)

Description:

The Centre for Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies in the Faculty of Arts and Science at the University of Toronto invites applications for a full-time tenure stream position in African and/or Afro-Caribbean Theatre and Performance History and Historiography. The appointment will be at the rank of Assistant Professor, with an expected start date of July 1, 2022, or shortly thereafter.

Applicants must have earned a PhD degree in Drama, Theatre and Performance Studies or a related area by the time of appointment, or shortly thereafter, with a demonstrated record of excellence in research and teaching. We seek a candidate with a specialization in African and/or Afro-Caribbean theatre and performance practices, and historical and historiographic expertise is required. Demonstrated knowledge of critical methodologies informed by Indigenous, post-colonial, critical race, feminist, or queer thought is particularly welcome. Experience with research methodologies based in ethnography, ethnomusicology, dance studies, disability studies or community-based praxis would be welcome. We seek candidates whose demonstrated excellence in research and teaching complement and enhance our existing departmental strengths (<https://www.cdtps.utoronto.ca/research>).

The successful candidate will be expected to pursue innovative and independent research at the highest international level and to establish an outstanding, competitive, and externally funded research program.

The candidate will be joining a vibrant scholarly community at the Centre committed to anti-racist research and pedagogy. In addition to undergraduate and graduate courses related to their area of specialization, the successful candidate will also teach core curricular courses in theatre and performance history, theory, and practice.

Candidates must provide evidence of research excellence which can be demonstrated by a record of publications in top-ranked and field relevant journals or forthcoming publications meeting high international standards, the submitted research statement, presentations at significant conferences, awards and accolades, and strong endorsements from referees of high standing.

Evidence of excellence in teaching can be demonstrated through teaching accomplishments, awards and accolades, presentations at significant conferences, the teaching dossier submitted as part of the application including a strong teaching statement, sample syllabi, course materials, and teaching evaluations, as well as the aforementioned strong letters of reference from referees of high standing.

Salary will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

We seek candidates who value diversity and whose research, teaching and service bear out our commitment to equity. Candidates are therefore also asked to submit a 1-2 page statement of contributions to equity and diversity, which might cover topics such as (but not limited to): research or teaching that incorporates a focus on underrepresented communities, the development of inclusive pedagogies, or the mentoring of students from underrepresented groups.

All qualified candidates are invited to apply online by clicking the link below. Applicants must submit a cover letter; a current curriculum vitae; a research statement outlining current and future research interests; a recent writing sample; a teaching dossier to include a strong teaching statement, sample course syllabi (whether already taught

or aspirational), and teaching evaluations, and a statement of contributions to equity and diversity (as outlined above).

Applicants must provide the name and contact information of three references. The University of Toronto's recruiting tool will automatically solicit and collect letters of reference from each after an application is submitted. Applicants remain responsible for ensuring that references submit letters (on letterhead, dated and signed) by the closing date.

Submission guidelines can be found at <http://uoft.me/how-to-apply>. Your CV and cover letter should be uploaded into the dedicated fields. Please combine additional application materials into one or two files in PDF/MS Word format. If you have any questions about this position, please contact Professor Xing Fan at stars.fan@utoronto.ca.

All application materials, including reference letters, must be received by January 10, 2022.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority.

Diversity Statement

The University of Toronto is strongly committed to diversity within its community and especially welcomes applications from racialized persons / persons of colour, women, Indigenous / Aboriginal People of North America, persons with disabilities, LGBTQ2S+ persons, and others who may contribute to the further diversification of ideas.

As part of your application, you will be asked to complete a brief Diversity Survey. This survey is voluntary. Any information directly related to you is confidential and cannot be accessed by search committees or human resources staff. Results will be aggregated for institutional planning purposes. For more information, please see <http://uoft.me/UP>.

Accessibility Statement

The University strives to be an equitable and inclusive community, and proactively seeks to increase diversity among its community members. Our values regarding equity and diversity are linked with our unwavering commitment to excellence in the pursuit of our academic mission.

The University is committed to the principles of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). As such, we strive to make our recruitment, assessment and selection processes as accessible as possible and provide accommodations as required for applicants with disabilities.

If you require any accommodations at any point during the application and hiring process, please contact uoft.careers@utoronto.ca.