Assistant Professor of Theatre

Wofford College invites applications for an assistant professor of theatre to run the acting and performance area of the BA theatre program. Applicants should possess knowledge of a range of acting techniques to address classical and modern material, a willingness to work in a collaborative spirit among a team of faculty with varied approaches, and a proven ability to teach both beginning and advanced acting courses.

EXPECTATIONS

The successful candidate should be prepared to teach all levels of acting as well as a first-year liberal arts seminar, participate in recruitment efforts, direct one mainstage production per year (the teaching load is 3-1-3 and directing is curricular), be able to teach and mentor in seminar, rehearsal, studio and production formats, and contribute innovative artistic and scholarly practices to an artistically and academically rigorous department. Areas of specialization might include Shakespeare, voice/speech, devising, musical theatre, movement, acting/directing for the camera, physical theatre, clowning, improv, etc. Preference will be given to individuals with a minimum of two years of college or university teaching experience and substantial experience as an actor and director. Wofford’s Department of Theatre operates out of the Rosalind Sallenger Richardson Center for the Arts. Completed in 2017, this beautiful and fully equipped building in the center of the historic campus houses the theatre, studio art, and art history departments and features a black box, a 325-seat proscenium theatre, acting studio and classrooms, in addition to shop and office spaces.

QUALIFICATIONS

Terminal degree (MFA, Ph.D.) in hand by Aug. 1, 2024.

APPLICATION

Application materials should be submitted electronically to TheatreDeptJobs@wofford.edu. Application materials should include: (1) a cover letter, (2) current curriculum vitae, (3) three letters of recommendation (submitted directly by referees), (4) a detailed personal statement, and (5) a concise portfolio of artistic production. Your personal statement should include your philosophy of actor training, directing and collaboration with students and faculty across the institution. As we are committed to inclusive pedagogy and to expanding the diversity of our student body, curriculum and production program, we are interested in a candidate who will foster and support those aims. Please address in your cover letter how you have supported such diversity and inclusion aims in the past and plans to continue to do so moving forward. We especially welcome applications from members of groups traditionally underrepresented in the field of theatre.
Deadline for submissions is Jan. 1, 2024. We hope to conduct 30-minute virtual interviews with a short list of candidates and then invite finalists to campus interviews starting in February.

ABOUT WOFFORD COLLEGE

Wofford College is a place where thought leads, where ideas are celebrated and problem solving is expected. Wofford invites applicants who are focused on student success and excited to join a community committed to preparing thought leaders.

Wofford College, established in 1854, is a four-year, residential liberal arts college located in Spartanburg, South Carolina. A Phi Beta Kappa college (chartered in 1940), Wofford offers 27 major fields of study to a student body of 1,874 undergraduates. Nationally known for the strength of its academic program, outstanding faculty, experiential learning opportunities and successful and supportive graduates, Wofford is recognized consistently as a “best value” and for accessibility for low- and middle-income students. To learn more, visit wofford.edu.

EEO STATEMENT

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