



**Department of Performing Arts
University of San Francisco**

The Department of Performing Arts at the University of San Francisco invites applications for a tenure-track position in Dance for the Performing Arts and Social Justice Major at the Assistant Professor level to begin in the of Fall of 2010. We seek a candidate who is involved in creative and scholarly research, with interests in social justice issues as they relate to current dialogues in dance and scholarship.

Applicants should possess experience and willingness to work in a culturally diverse environment, an ability to contribute to a young, innovative, expanding performing arts program in a liberal arts setting, and an understanding of and commitment to support the mission of the Department and the University.

Teaching Responsibilities: The Department offers a major in Performing Arts and Social Justice (PASJ,) with either a Dance or a Theater emphasis. Responsibilities of Faculty include teaching eight credit hours per semester with an additional four credit hours every fourth semester. The candidate will be expected to teach major courses that integrate the mission of the Department (see below) to course work in her/his own area of specialization, lecture-based courses for the minor and CORE curriculum, and studio courses in contemporary dance.

Other Responsibilities include:

- Contributing to ongoing curriculum development, administration and governance within the department, and university
- Coordinating and directing student/faculty concerts, choreographing theater and dance productions, mentoring student productions, advising and recruiting students
- Actively participating in the field at large through on-going innovative research in dance theory and practice

Qualifications: We seek an individual involved in creative work as a choreographer in contemporary dance with research work in the areas of Dance and Social Justice. A key requirement for this position is the ability to practice and discuss dance simultaneously as embodied knowledge, performance and cultural language. Ideally we seek an individual who is engaged in development of choreographic works and contemporary technical training as well as an interest in scholarly research and publication. The candidate should possess a PhD or MFA by the start of appointment, and substantial professional experience. Previous academic experience with undergraduate dance students, curriculum development, and an interest in developing collaborative creative work and pedagogy across Performing Arts disciplines is required, as is the commitment to teach within a Liberal Arts setting.

Applicants for this position should submit the following documents electronically in PDF format to danceseach@usfca.edu: a letter of application that addresses your teaching philosophy, curriculum vitae, example of current written research, a DVD of choreographic work, evidence of teaching ability/official college level teaching evaluations, and three letters of recommendation.

The Subject Line of your e-mail(s) should contain your full name and the words "Dance Position." The sample of choreographic work on DVD (clearly labeled with your full name, title and date of work, and the words "Dance Position," as well as any other elements that cannot be submitted electronically in PDF format should be mailed to:

Dance Search Committee
c/o Amie Dowling, Search Committee Chair
Department of Performing Arts, LMT#1
University of San Francisco
2130 Fulton Street
San Francisco, CA 94117-1080

Completed applications must be received by Friday October 15th, 2009, in order to ensure full consideration.

Performing Arts Department's Mission: Our Mission is to educate young artists in the performing arts who are committed to creating a more humane and just society through their craft. Our aim is to equip students with the theory and praxis to identify and contextualize social inequities, and to participate in self-reflective artistic, academic, personal, and community-based activities that critically and positively shape our culture.

The University of San Francisco is a Jesuit Catholic University founded in 1855 to educate leaders who will fashion a more humane and just world. Candidates should demonstrate a commitment to work in a culturally diverse environment and to contribute to the mission of the University. USF offers a competitive salary and benefits package. Please see <http://www.usfca.edu/hr/> for more information.

We encourage minority and women candidates to apply. USF is an Equal Opportunity Employer dedicated to affirmative action and to excellence through diversity. The University provides reasonable accommodations to qualified applicants with disabilities upon request.