

Assistant Professor in Theater, Dance, and Movement (Tenure-Track)

The Department of Theater, Film, and Media Studies (www.smcm.edu/tfms) at St. Mary's College of Maryland seeks a full-time, tenure-track appointment at the assistant professor level in theater, dance, and movement, beginning in August 2012. The ideal candidate will be able to teach courses in movement for actors, modern dance, dance history, and choreography, as well as a selection of courses from among the following: traditional African dance, hip hop, jazz, dance for the camera, stage combat, mask work, and introductory-level acting and directing. The person in this position is also responsible for directing, coaching, and choreographing in the department's main-stage production season. Candidates with interdisciplinary and cross-cultural interests and perspectives are encouraged to apply.

Qualifications: At least an M.F.A. or professional equivalency as well as evidence of strong teaching ability, a record of successful creative endeavors, and potential for research activities. Applicants should be actively engaged in creative activity and theoretical inquiry, with an emphasis on movement/dance technique and its application to performance, pedagogy, community engagement, dance literacy, and/or health and science. This position will also contribute leadership in undergraduate programs, curriculum development, advising, and governance within the department, college, and the field at large. An interest in attracting and retaining students from underrepresented groups is desirable.

St. Mary's College of Maryland, a Carnegie Baccalaureate Liberal Arts institution and the public honors college of Maryland, is located near the Chesapeake Bay, 70 miles southeast of Washington, D.C. With selective admissions policies, academically talented students, and a rigorous curriculum, we offer small college experiences similar to those found at exceptional private colleges. St. Mary's faculty benefit from a comprehensive program of support for scholarship, research, travel, and curriculum development, including course releases for pre-tenure faculty and leaves for tenured faculty. The quality of life is enhanced by the recreational opportunities of the Chesapeake region and by our proximity to Washington, D.C. and Baltimore.

Applicants should send a cover letter describing their teaching interests and experience, a CV, evidence of teaching effectiveness, and at least three letters of recommendation to: Dr. Joanne Klein, Chair, Department of Theater, Film, and Media Studies, St. Mary's College of Maryland, 18952 E. Fisher Rd., St. Mary's City, MD 20686-3001. Send e-mail inquiries to jrklein@smcm.edu.

Review of applications will begin on February 15, 2012 and continue until the position is filled. St. Mary's College of Maryland (www.smcm.edu) is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

The Department of Theater, Film, and Media Studies and St. Mary's College of Maryland value diversity in its many expressions. We strongly encourage applicants from all backgrounds and traditions to apply.