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<b>Department</b>	Theatre and Dance
<b>Institution</b>	University of California San Diego La Jolla, California
<b>Date Posted</b>	Mar. 8, 2024
<b>Application Deadline</b>	09/13/2024
<b>Position Start Date</b>	Available immediately
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<b>Academic Field(s)</b>	Drama/Theater/Theater Education Dance
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**Job Description**

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**Position overview**

**Position title:** Assistant Professor

**Salary range:** A reasonable salary range estimate for this position is \$88,600-\$111,200.

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The posted UC Academic salary scales set the minimum pay as determined by rank and/or step at appointment. See the following table for the salary scale for this position here:

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. Please refer to the 10/1/2023 salary scale for Assistant Professor. The base salary range, from the salary table, for this position is \$74,600-\$97,200.

"Off-scale salaries" and other components of pay, i.e., a salary that is higher than the published system-wide salary at the designated rank and step, are offered when necessary to meet competitive conditions, qualifications, and experience. Additional UCSD salary information can be found here:

<https://aps.ucsd.edu/compensation/apo-salary.html>

**Review timeline: EXTENDED REVIEW DATE OF APRIL 21, 2024!** Applications received after this date will be reviewed by the search committee if the position has not yet been filled.

### Application Window

**Open date:** September 14, 2023

**Next review date:** Sunday, Apr 21, 2024 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Apply by this date to ensure full consideration by the committee.

**Final date:** Friday, Sep 13, 2024 at 11:59pm (Pacific Time)

Applications will continue to be accepted until this date, but those received after the review date will only be considered if the position has not yet been filled.

### Position description

THE DEPARTMENT OF THEATRE & DANCE at UC San Diego (<http://theatre.ucsd.edu>) invites interdisciplinary practitioners of design for performance with focus on Designing Just Futures ( <https://www.design-just-futures.ucsd.edu/>) to apply for a full-time, tenure-track faculty position in the Ladder Rank Series. The academic appointment for this position will be for an Assistant Professor in Theatre & Dance, effective 7/1/24 (service period begins 9/23/24 ).

We invite exceptional artists/designers who emphasize interdisciplinary methodologies and whose research, practice, and service center on the perspectives, epistemologies, and concerns of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Aboriginal communities of North America and/or Pasifika and other Indigenous communities. Applicants should be an interdisciplinary artist/designer - artists for whom design (in its many forms) is a primary mode of creative intervention and a practice for community engagement and world-making; one who has been recognized as cutting-edge in the profession, a risk-

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taker, a bold and empathic collaborator, and a creative responder who poses potent questions through their work. Applicants should have a clearly established unique artistic vision, identity, voice, and praxis in relation to Indigenous experiences.

This position is one of 8 new ladder-rank faculty positions in the Designing Just Futures Cluster Hire Initiative at UC San Diego (<https://www.design-just-futures.ucsd.edu/>). As faculty hired into this position will work with the Design Lab (<https://designlab.ucsd.edu/>) and Indigenous Futures Institute at UCSD (<https://ifi.ucsd.edu/>), we specifically welcome interdisciplinary artists/designers with approaches that center and innovate in the fields of human-centered design.

This search is part of a UC San Diego-wide cluster hire (<https://www.design-just-futures.ucsd.edu/>) on Designing Just Futures that aims to recruit scholars who can contribute to the advancement of design, social justice, and Indigenous, Black, and migrant futures and seeks engagement with scholars across disciplines to address issues of territory, access and equity, and social and political debates pertinent to Indigenous, Black, border and migrant communities, while also working within their home departments and professional communities.

Faculty hired under this initiative will join the UC San Diego campus, the Theatre & Dance Department, the UC San Diego Design Lab (<https://designlab.ucsd.edu/>) and have the opportunity to join the Indigenous Futures Institute (<https://ifi.ucsd.edu/>) to forge a new paradigm of engagement and collaboration that draws on the geographic, academic, institutional, and cultural strengths of our tri-national region across Southern California, Baja California, and the Kumeyaay region.

Applicants are expected to demonstrate evidence of engagement with areas of research such as:

- Futures, futurities, and/or futurism in Indigenous communities
- Climate action and preserving planetary health from an Indigenous perspective
- Issues of race and racism, access and equity, social and political debates
- Creating social prototypes, events, performances, technology that engage community
- Performance and political action to communicate stories about 21st century Indigeneity transcending colonial structures.

Applicants should also demonstrate evidence within their professional experience, community engagement, and personal background of their understanding of and ability to better serve students from Indigenous communities in higher education through community approaches to art/design making, and land-based performance.

As part of their teaching portfolio, faculty hired under Designing Just Futures will be expected to design

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and teach courses that align with the department of Theatre & Dance, the Design Lab, and the Indigenous Futures Institute programs.

Faculty are expected to have an inclusive approach to mentoring that incorporates working with women and underrepresented undergraduate and graduate students. Teaching will include large undergraduate courses and smaller graduate courses. Additionally, the appointee will be expected to participate as a member of the campus community on committees at both departmental and university levels.

For applicants with interest in spousal/partner employment, please see the UCSD Partner Opportunities Program. <https://aps.ucsd.edu/recruitment/pop/index.html>

UC San Diego was built on the unceded territory of the Kumeyaay people. Today and every day we honor their stewardship of this land and their tremendous contributions to our region. Land acknowledgements are an important gesture of collective recognition and accountability. But we also commit ourselves to action, to truth in learning and teaching the history of this place and its people, a reckoning with injustices, past and present, and a pathway forward that respects the dignity and human rights of all.

## Qualifications

### Basic qualifications (required at time of application)

1. Applicants should possess an MFA or 3-5 years of professional experience and/or relevant training.
2. Applicants should demonstrate 1 to 3 years of evidence of teaching effectiveness and mentorship in higher education. Examples include but are not limited to: positive teaching/mentoring evaluations, student support letters, peer/professional reviews, applicable awards/honors/nominations. Teaching experience can include, but is not limited to: academic institutions, artist residencies, seminars, creative workshops, and participatory performances.

## Application Requirements

### Document requirements

- Curriculum Vitae - Your most recently updated C.V.

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- Cover Letter
- Statement of Research - Candidates are encouraged to highlight significant third-party coverage (e.g. national news outlets covering their work) in their statements and presentation materials where appropriate.
- Statement of Teaching (Optional)
- Statement of Contributions to Diversity - Applicants should summarize their past or potential contributions to diversity. See our [Faculty Equity](#) site for more information.
- Designing Just Futures Statement (1 page) - Applicants should describe how they are currently or planning to engage in frameworks focused on futures, futurities, and/or futurism at the intersections of design and social justice that prioritize Indigenous communities.

### Reference requirements

- 3-5 required (contact information only)

Please provide the contact information of 3 references.

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### Job location

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