

Assistant Professor of Design
Occidental College

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Job Title	Assistant Professor of Design
Department	Theater & Performance Studies https://www.oxy.edu/academics/areas-study/theater
Institution	Occidental College Los Angeles, California
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Application Deadline	Oct. 17, 2024
Position Start Date	Aug. 16, 2025
Job Categories	Assistant Professor
Academic Field(s)	Design - Industrial Art/Design Drama/Theater/Theater Education
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Job Description	

The [Department of Theater & Performance Studies](#) at Occidental College invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor of Theater & Performance Studies with an area of expertise in theatrical scenic design for appointment to begin on August 16, 2025.

The Assistant Professor of Theater & Performance Studies, with an area of expertise in scenic design, will teach introductory, intermediate, and advanced courses in theatrical design, scenic design, and preferably (but not mandatory) lighting design. They will be expected to teach courses that rotate across departmental faculty ([Topics in Theater & Performance History](#) and [Senior Seminar](#)). They also

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will teach other courses in the program in their area of interest. And, on occasion, in the college's [First Year Seminar](#) writing and community-engaged program. They will collaborate with department faculty and staff to plan curriculum and productions. They will design and paint scenery (and, if possible also design lighting), as well as supervise student designers and prop and design assistants for mainstage productions. This faculty member will be an essential member of a dynamic department, advising and mentoring students, as well as participating in college and department service which will occasionally include assessment, grant reporting, and faculty reviews. This faculty member will support our efforts to make our commitment to Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion visible across campus. The ideal candidate will be committed to mentorship, departmental service, and the liberal arts.

Occidental faculty are committed teacher-scholars who bring research and creative discovery to life for students in classrooms, labs, studios, and mentored projects. They teach broadly in the curricula of their departments, advise students, carry out research and creative work, and provide departmental, college-wide, and external service. In this position, the faculty member's primary responsibilities will include the development and teaching of introductory and core courses in the discipline, including courses in their area(s) of specialization. Specific courses that this faculty member will teach include Introduction to Design, Scenic Design, (possibly Lighting Design), Topics in Theater and Performance History, Senior Seminar, and on occasion, courses in the [First Year Seminar program](#). This faculty member will also be responsible for producing creative work and, if relevant to this faculty member's expertise, scholarship commensurate with the requirements for tenure. This faculty member will also be expected to contribute to and participate in the life and development of the department which includes assessment and administrative duties, attending faculty meetings, as well as advising students, serving on committees, and participating in the broader college and disciplinary communities.

EEO/AA Policy

Occidental is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not unlawfully discriminate against employees or applicants on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, pregnancy, breastfeeding or related medical condition, national origin, ancestry, citizenship, age, marital status, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic characteristic or information, military and veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by state or federal law. Occidental is strongly committed to increasing the diversity of the campus community and the curriculum, and to fostering an inclusive, equitable, and just environment within which students, staff, administrators, and faculty thrive. Candidates who can contribute to this goal through their teaching, research, advising, and other activities are encouraged to identify their strengths and

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experiences in this area. Individuals advancing the College's strategic equity and justice goals and those from groups whose underrepresentation in the American professoriate has been severe and longstanding are particularly encouraged to apply.

All qualified applicants will be considered for employment, including those with criminal histories, in a manner consistent with the requirements of applicable state and local laws, including the City of Los Angeles' Fair Chance Initiative for Hiring Ordinance.

Occidental College is committed to working with and providing reasonable accommodations to applicants with qualifying disabilities. If you need reasonable accommodation because of a disability for any part of the application or employment process, please contact Human Resources (hr@oxy.edu).

Contact Information

Please reference Academickeys in your cover letter when applying for or inquiring about this job announcement.

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