

Assistant Professor
New Mexico State University

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Job Title	Assistant Professor
Department	Creative Media Institute https://cmi.nmsu.edu/
Institution	New Mexico State University Las Cruces, New Mexico
Date Posted	Oct. 29, 2024
Application Deadline	Dec. 28, 2024
Position Start Date	Available immediately
Job Categories	Assistant Professor
Academic Field(s)	Game Design/Animation
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- Staff
- 9-Month Faculty Full-Time
- Closing at: Nov 25 2024 at 23:55 MST

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Position Title: Asst Prof

Employee Classification: LC Faculty TT/TN 9m

College/Division: Arts and Sciences College

Department: 440105-CREATIVE MEDIA

Internal or External Search: External - Open to all applicants

Location: Las Cruces

Offsite Location (if applicable):

Target Hourly/Salary Rate: Commensurate with qualifications

Appointment Full-time Equivalency: 1.00

Exempt or Non-Exempt: Exempt

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The Creative Media Institute (CMI) is a department of The College of Arts and Sciences at New Mexico State University. CMI is a dynamic, cross-disciplinary program that prepares students for the 21st century in animation, creative writing, digital filmmaking, and journalism. At CMI, we are dedicated to developing and nurturing the artistic endeavors of student filmmakers through industry-standard education, research, and collaboration in the art, craft, and production of the moving image through storytelling. The animation program at CMI was ranked 17th in the nation in 2024 by the Animation Career Review, placing New Mexico State University in the top 20% of public animation programs.

Classification Standard Duties:

Examples of classes, including but not limited to:

- Compositing and FX
- Motion Graphics
- Visual Effects
- Light / Shade / Render

Other responsibilities:

- Scholarship and Creative Activities
- Serving on departmental committees
- Curriculum development
- Student recruitment
- Advising student majors in 2D and 3D animation
- Mentorship

Required Education, Experience, Certification/License, Equivalency

Required Qualifications:

- Terminal degree (MFA or equivalent) in animation or other relevant field, or equivalent professional experience (2 years or more).
- Demonstrated proficiency in Visual Communication Design, Motion Graphics, and /or Compositing.
- A Generalist Animator familiar with the 2D and 3D Animation Pipeline.
- Demonstrated ability to develop and teach courses at the foundational and advanced undergraduate level in animation. A student-oriented teacher, able to support a diverse student body.
- An empathic and flexible team player.

Preferred Qualifications

- Software Proficiencies:
- Nuke or equivalent compositing software.
- Maya or equivalent 3d software.

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- Toon Boom or equivalent 2d software.
- Experience in digital lighting, texturing, shading, & rendering.
- Traditional art background with hand-drawn experience.
- Understanding of the principles of animation.
- Experience working with multiple media sources including both raster and vector-based content.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

We are looking for a talented and collaborative colleague who specializes in compositing and visual communication design. Candidates should also have a comprehensive knowledge of 2D & 3D animation / VFX post-production workflows.

Job Duties and Responsibilities

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To apply, please submit the following:

- A cover letter stating your experience in relation to the required and preferred qualifications. Please also include statements attesting your commitment to diversity and inclusivity in your cover letter.
- A Teaching Statement describing teaching philosophy and pedagogical approaches.
- Curriculum Vitae
- URL Links to an online portfolio, with samples of professional and scholarly work.
- Contact information for three references who may be contacted at a later time.

Preferred Qualifications

Special Requirements of the Position

Department Contact: Derek Chase, 575-646-6893, chader22@nmsu.edu

Contingent Upon Funding: Not Applicable

Bargaining Unit Eligibility: This is NOT a bargaining unit position with American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

Standard Work Schedule: Standard (M-F, 8-5)

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Working Conditions and Physical Effort

Environment: Work is normally performed in a typical interior/office work environment.

Physical Effort: No or very limited physical effort required.

Lifting Requirements: Requires handling of average-weight objects up to 10 pounds or some standing or walking.

Risk: No or very limited exposure to physical risk.

Recruitment Summary

We are New Mexico's land-grant institution and a comprehensive research university dedicated to teaching, research public service and outreach at all levels. NMSU is a welcoming community of talented faculty, staff and students who are working together to make a difference. We are a NASA Space Grant College, a Hispanic-serving institution (HSI), a minority-serving institution (MSI) and home to the first Honors College in New Mexico. We offer an accessible education that shapes bright futures.

NMSU provides learning opportunities to a diverse population of students and community members at four campuses, Cooperative Extension offices located in each of New Mexico's 33 counties, 12 research and science centers, and through distance education.

[NMSU Main Campus](#)

Located in Las Cruces, NM, New Mexico State University's 900-acre main campus is located at the crossroads of I-10 and I-25 in the Southwestern United States. As a thriving center of higher education, deeply rooted in the regional tradition, its role as a comprehensive university is recognized throughout the state.

[Doña Ana Community College](#)

Founded in 1973 in collaboration with local school districts to support occupational education, DACC is now a leading community college that provides transformative educational opportunities that meet the workforce needs of Doña Ana County. With a focus on access, innovation and excellence, DACC offers over ninety degrees and certificates, adult education, specialized workforce training, and small

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[Alamogordo Campus](#)

Established in 1958 to serve the needs of the airmen and families stationed at Holloman Air Force Base located only 10 miles west of Alamogordo, NMSUA is a community college with a long history of excellence that is supported by a caring community of hard-working students and dedicated faculty and staff. The campus is situated “on the hill” above Alamogordo and provides inspiring views of the city and the Tularosa Basin, offering the perfect venue for creative and motivated learning.

[Grants Campus](#)

NMSU Grants was established as a branch of New Mexico State University in 1968 through the cooperative efforts of New Mexico State University and Grants Municipal Schools. As a two-year branch community college, NMSU Grants serves the local communities in Cibola and McKinley counties, including the Pueblos of Acoma, Laguna, and Zuni, as well as Tohajiilee, San Mateo, San Rafael, Cubero, the City of Grants, and the Village of Milan.

Special Instructions to Applicants

The electronic application is the *official* document that will be used to qualify applicants. Paper/email documents will not be accepted. Required documents must be attached to this application.

EEO/AA Policy

EEO Statement

NMSU is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer committed to assembling a diverse, broadly trained faculty and staff. Women, minorities, people with disabilities, and veterans are strongly encouraged to apply. NMSU is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer.

Contact Information

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

Contact Derek Chase



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