San José State University
San José, California

ANNOUNCEMENT OF POSITION AVAILABILITY
Subject to Budgetary Approval

Music and Dance

Specialization: Dance Composition and Technique
Job Opening ID (JOID): 24704
Rank: Assistant Professor (Tenure-track)

Qualifications:
MFA or MA required at time of appointment. In some circumstances, substantial professional accomplishments may substitute for a Master’s degree. Professional performing and choreography experience, with experience in dance practices that bridge street dance and concert dance. University teaching experience preferred. Applicants should have awareness of and sensitivity to the educational goals of a multicultural population gained in cross-cultural study, training, teaching or other comparable experience.

Responsibilities:
Teaching Dance Composition and Technique, choreographing for student productions and directing student productions. Experience in teaching from among the following: Contemporary Dance Technique, Hip Hop or other contemporary dance practices that bridge street dance and concert dance, Classical Modern Dance Technique, Dance and World Cultures. Secondary teaching may include one or more of the following: Dance Appreciation, Dance History, Improvisation, Dance Kinesiology, Dance Pedagogy, Rhythm and Dynamics in Dance, Dance Technology, Dance Production. Candidate will advise students, serve on committees in the School, College and University, and contribute to the ongoing development and administration of the Dance Program. Excellence in teaching and continued creative and professional activity will be a requirement for successful retention, tenure and promotion. The ideal candidate will also demonstrate collaborative, organizational, and interpersonal skills, as well as a willingness to engage in interdisciplinary productions. Candidates must demonstrate the ability to meet the needs of a student population of great diversity-- in age, cultural background, ethnicity, primary language and academic preparation, as well as contribute to the recruitment of underrepresented students.

Salary Range: Commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Starting Date: August, 2019

Eligibility: Employment is contingent upon proof of eligibility to work in the United States.

Application Procedures:
For full consideration, submit an electronic packet that includes: (1) letter of application; (2) curriculum vitae; (3) statement of teaching interests/philosophy; (4) links to work samples; and (5) at least three references with contact information by noon on November 15, 2018 to Dr. Fred Cohen, Director of the School of Music and Dance via Interfolio at https://apply.interfolio.com/53622 Official transcripts and confidential letters of recommendation will be required of finalists.

Inquiries may be directed to Dr. Fred Cohen: Fred.Cohen@sjsu.edu. Please include JOID in all correspondence.

The Dance Program at San José State University, housed in the School of Music and Dance, offers the BFA and BA in Dance. Recent accomplishments include selection and performance at the National Festival for American College Dance Association at the John F. Kennedy Center (Washington, DC, 2018), guest residencies and
performances with Doug Varone & Dancers and BARE Dance Company. The program features a pre-professional student dance company, University Dance Theater, a full-time accompanist, and an historical association with Limón Dance Company and The Limón Dance Foundation. Facilities include three dance studios and a new dance theatre. Students also have the opportunity to perform in the Hammer Theater Center. San José State University is an Accredited Institutional member of the National Association Schools of Dance.

This position is an excellent opportunity for scholars interested in a career at an institution that is a national leader in graduating URM students. SJSU has achieved both HSI (Hispanic Serving Institution) and AANAPISI (Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution) designation; 40% of our student population are first-generation and 38% are Pell-qualified. As a result, we rank #4 nationally in increasing student upward mobility. The campus is located in the southern end of San Francisco Bay in Downtown San José, the hub of Silicon Valley. Many of California’s most popular national, recreational and cultural attractions are conveniently close. A member of the 23-campus CSU system, San José State University enrolls approximately 31,000 students. The University is committed to increasing the diversity of its faculty so our disciplines, students and the community can benefit from multiple ethnic and gender perspectives.