

Department of Dance
University of California, Riverside
2024-2025 Academic Year

The Department of Dance at the University of California, Riverside invites applications for a tenure-track Assistant Professor in Dance Practice, Performance, and Choreography.

Position(s): Assistant Professor in Dance Practice, Performance and Choreography, Tenure-Track

Starting Date: July 1, 2025. Fall Quarter Instruction begins September 22, 2025.

Salary: Commensurate with experience/education.

Qualifications:

Qualified Applicants will hold an MFA or MA received by June 30, 2025, or BA plus extensive professional experience; strong track record as a choreographer, dance/performance artist and/or movement researcher/practitioner; college teaching experience; demonstrated administrative, artistic mentoring, and producing experience; and an ability to work with and benefit a diverse, multi-ethnic, international environment.

Preference will be given to candidates:

- Who are working, in part or in full, outside of or beyond Eurocentric dance traditions and movement practices, in such areas as: African/African American, Caribbean, Latinx and Latin American, Indigenous, Middle Eastern (MENA/SWANA), South/South East/Asian, Asian American, and diasporic practices;
- Whose teaching methodology and/or creative research draws on a diverse range of compositional approaches and critical frames, including but not limited to: social dance; storytelling; political activation; ritual and sacred dance; gender, queer, and trans performance; disability studies; and indigeneity;
- Who maintains an active research agenda, and who can demonstrate an ability to help build the national and international profile of the Department.

The University of California, Riverside is a world-class research university with an exceptionally diverse undergraduate student body. UCR is a member institution of the American Association of Universities (AAU) as well as the Alliance of Hispanic Serving Research Universities (HSRU). Its mission is explicitly linked to providing routes to educational success for underrepresented and first-generation college students. A commitment to this mission is a preferred qualification.

Duties:

Responsibilities will include pursuing a professional research agenda; teaching courses at the undergraduate and graduate level in the department's composition, repertory, practice and

performance curricula; directing undergraduate concerts; facilitating graduate productions; mentoring and advising undergraduate and graduate choreography students; and participating in departmental activities and administrative service at college and campus levels.

Application Procedure:

Applicants will be required to submit a 2-page cover letter; CV; a list of references; two sample syllabi; a statement of teaching; a statement of contribution to diversity; and teaching evaluations if available. The applicant must also submit work samples from three different projects - includes: two excerpts 7-10 minutes each (unedited - no jump cuts or highlight reels); and one full work of any length. Please include a separate document with stable online links. Please use Vimeo or YouTube and include performance credits with 50-75 word descriptions of each.

Contact Information for 3-5 Professional References is required. Confidential Letters of Recommendation will be solicited via AP Recruit System only after a short list of candidates is determined.

Review of applications will begin January 28, 2025. Position will remain open until filled. Applications and materials must be submitted using UCR's on-line application system located at:

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To ensure full consideration, applications and supporting material should be received by *January 28, 2025*

Department Contact person: For additional information about the position, please contact: Professor Joel Mejia Smith, Search Committee Chair: joel.smith@ucr.edu. For questions or help with the online application process, please contact Hannah Braund: hannah.braund@ucr.edu.

The posted UC salary scales set the minimum pay determined by rank and/or step at appointment. See Table(s): https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/_files/2024-25/oct-2024-scales/t1.pdf. Salary ranges for this position are: Assistant Professor \$78,200 - \$101,400. "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.

Advancement through the faculty ranks at the University of California is through a series of structured, merit-based evaluations, occurring every 2-3 years, each of which includes substantial peer input. Assistant Professors are required to undergo a mandatory 7th-year review for promotion to Associate Professor, although this can occur earlier.

The University of California is an Equal Opportunity / Affirmative Action Employer with a strong institutional commitment to the achievement of excellence and diversity among its faculty and staff. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age, disability, protected veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

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For the University of California's Affirmative Action Policy please visit: <https://www.ucop.edu/academic-personnel-programs/files/apm/apm-035.pdf>.

For the University of California's Anti-Discrimination Policy, please visit: <https://policy.ucop.edu/doc/1001004/Anti-Discrimination>.

As a University employee, you will be required to comply with all applicable University policies and/or collective bargaining agreements, as may be amended from time to time. Federal, State, or local government directives may impose additional requirements.