

Richard E. and Yvonne Smith Post-Terminal Degree-to-Tenure Track Fellow Position in Costume Design, History, and Fashion at Bucknell University

The Department of Theatre and Dance at Bucknell University invites applications for the Richard E. and Yvonne Smith Post-Terminal-Degree-to-Tenure-Track (Smith PTT) Fellow Position in Costume Design, History, and Fashion. The Smith PTT Fellowship promotes pedagogical and institutional excellence through the diversification of faculty and curricula at the university. Candidates from communities underrepresented among higher education faculty are strongly encouraged to apply.

For this position, we seek an artist-scholar with broad teaching and scholarly interests in the areas of Costume Design, Costume History, and Fashion. The successful candidate must hold a MFA in Costume Design at the time of appointment. Candidates are expected to demonstrate enthusiasm and promise for excellence in undergraduate teaching, a commitment to inclusive teaching practices in the classroom, and the ability to pursue an independent research program of high quality and impact. The research program can include traditional published scholarship as well as creative scholarship in the area of costume design. The strongest candidates would possess teaching interests in multiple areas to support the department curriculum as well as the College of Arts and Science Core Curriculum. Additionally, their scholarly interests would expand our current capabilities and enhance established strengths of the university, such as research involving undergraduates, collaboration within and across departments and colleges, and community-engaged scholarship. The salary is \$62,950.

Teaching Responsibilities: During the fellowship period, the candidate will teach one course per academic year and supervise students enrolled in THEA 101 (Theatre Practicum: Costume Shop). During the fellowship's first year, the candidate will teach a course for the general population in relation to the candidate's research interests. The course should support the College of Arts and Science Core Curriculum. During the fellowship's second year, the candidate will teach a course in Costume Design. After transitioning to the tenure stream faculty position, the candidate will teach three courses per academic year. Two of these courses should cater to a general student population and serve the College and Arts and Science Core Curriculum.

Design and Construction Responsibilities: During and after the fellowship period, the candidate will design and construct costumes for (at minimum) two theatre productions and two dance concerts each academic year.

Application Requirements: Application materials must include the following five documents: 1) a cover letter that clearly summarizes the candidate's interests in Bucknell and in this position; 2) a current curriculum vitae; 3) a teaching statement that demonstrates and provides evidence of the candidate's commitment to equity and inclusion (2 pages maximum); 4) a scholarship statement addressing the candidate's plans for scholarly work at Bucknell and how that work may engage undergraduates (2 pages maximum); and 5) contact information for three potential references (letters may be requested by the search committee). The candidate should also include a link to a website or online portfolio that contains renderings and photographs of their design work.

Applications will only be accepted online through Bucknell's career site (careers.bucknell.edu). Review of applications will begin on **September 30, 2022** and will continue until **November 1, 2022**.

About the Department:

The Department of Theatre and Dance offers a B.A in Theatre and minors in both Theatre and Dance. We provide a student-centered educational experience within a liberal arts context and a collaborative community that values and respects all voices. In order to align our actions with our commitment to equity and inclusive excellence, faculty and staff are actively working to reshape departmental policy and practice. Hallmarks of the department include: outstanding teaching; small class sizes; hands-on and experiential learning; close interaction with faculty and staff; an artist-scholar approach to curriculum; and multiple opportunities for undergraduates to participate in departmental productions, work with notable guest artists, design independent creative projects, and attend workshops, trainings, and festivals.

About the Fellowship: The successful candidate will spend one or two years as a Smith PTT Fellow at Bucknell, bringing new perspectives and contemporary knowledge and participating in

campus life. The Fellow will receive mentoring, a reduced teaching load, resources for scholarship and professional development, and other support that will help them a) better understand the nature of a career as a teacher-scholar-artist at a predominantly undergraduate institution; b) develop and strengthen their pedagogical skills and experience; and c) establish and enhance their research trajectory. During the fellowship period, the successful candidate will teach one course per year and serve as the department's primary Costume Designer for theatre and dance productions. At the end of the fellowship period, and with promising evaluations from the Department Chair and Dean, the candidate will transition to a tenure-track faculty member.

About Bucknell University:

Bucknell University is a private, highly ranked, primarily undergraduate, national liberal arts institution that also offers strong professional programs in engineering, management, education, and music. The University believes that students learn best in a diverse community and, therefore, is committed to academic excellence through diversity in its faculty, staff, and students. Bucknell strives to create a climate that fosters inclusion, growth, and development for a diverse student body, and we seek candidates who are committed to these goals (see <https://www.bucknell.edu/life-bucknell/diversity-equity-inclusion>). Bucknell also is committed to the teacher-scholar model of faculty development and provides a range of resources to nurture this development, including a Teaching & Learning Center (TLC) and generous research support and leave policies.

Bucknell is located in Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, on the banks of the Susquehanna River. The Lewisburg area offers a wide array of outdoor recreation opportunities and small-town amenities. In addition to the cultural and athletic events offered at the University and in town, the region offers strong schools and medical facilities and an affordable cost of living. Bucknell is about three hours from Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore, and Washington, D.C.

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