Otis College of Art and Design
Full-Time Faculty Position
Fashion Design Department

Job Description: Otis College of Art and Design invites applications for a full-time faculty appointment in the Fashion Design program. This position reports to the Chair of Fashion Design. The College does not grant faculty tenure; hence this is an annual full-time faculty appointment, subject to renewal based on an annual performance review.

Responsibilities: Otis College seeks a full-time faculty member with both demonstrated teaching effectiveness in the field of fashion design and professional standing as a professional in the fashion design community. Candidates must demonstrate the ability to teach Junior Studio, interpret designer sketches based on extensive knowledge of flat pattern drafting, draping, and the ability to demonstrate garment construction. An understanding of moderate fashion sportswear and dresses is essential. Must also work creatively and effectively with a diverse student body as part of a team of professional artist/educators.

This position requires full-time teaching responsibilities, and the mentoring of those students in assigned classes. The position also includes administrative duties pertaining to the successful running of a program. These include, but are not limited to: working with the department chair and assistant chair to help define the vision of the Fashion Department curriculum; mentoring part-time faculty teaching within the Fashion Design program with regard to the responsibilities of monitoring attendance, documentation of student learning, and reporting of grades; the effective supervision of teaching assistants working for the program; regular monitoring of classroom studios and participation in classroom set-up; active participation in the governance of the Fashion Design department and of the College as a whole through student advisement, committee work, attendance at faculty meetings, and program assessment. Additional responsibilities may be assigned by the department chair.

Qualifications: Industry experience is required. BFA in Design or a related field is preferred. Ideal candidate will have evidence of at least 5 years college-level teaching experience in Fashion industry related classes in an accredited College. Strong interpersonal skills and administrative leadership skills demonstrating the candidate’s successful management of an academic program are required.

Department: The Fashion Design Department teaches the technical, theoretical, professional, critical, and personal skills necessary to sustain oneself in the field of Fashion Design. For more information on Otis College of Art and Design and the Fashion Design Department, please go to: www.otis.edu

College: Otis College of Art and Design has been a national leader in art and design education for the past 90 years. The College mission is to prepare diverse students of art and design to enrich our world through their creativity, their skill and their vision.

Currently serving approximately 1,200 full-time students, Otis awards the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 11 majors and the Master of Fine Arts degree in 4 majors. The College is located on four campus sites: the main Goldsmith Campus in West Los Angeles, near Marina del Rey and the Los Angeles International Airport; the California Market Center, Fashion Design Campus in the heart of the downtown LA Fashion District; and the Graduate Fine Arts Campus, located in local warehouse space, and the new Graduate Public Practice Studios, centered in the 18th Street Arts Center complex in Santa Monica.

Applications: Competitive compensation and benefits. The preferred starting date for this position is January, 2014. Review of applications will begin in November 2013, and continue until an appointment is made. Send a letter of application with a statement of educational philosophy, resume, and appropriate evidence of professional activity (please note submitted application materials will not be returned); also include the names, phone numbers and email addresses of at least three professional references. Mail completed applications to:

Search Committee: Full-Time Faculty/Fashion Design
Attention: Connie Martinez, Academic Coordinator, Fashion Design
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Electronic submissions equivalent to the materials requested above may be sent to Connie Martinez at: cmartinez@otis.edu Please include: “Fashion Design Full-Time Faculty” in the subject heading.