

Sunday, December 17, 2023

Bennington College Technical Instructor in Lighting & Dance Production

Company: Bennington College

Location: Bennington, VT

Compensation: \$55K-\$60K annual salary

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Bennington College seeks a Technical Instructor in Lighting and Dance Production for a full time, year-round, benefits eligible position beginning in late January or early February 2024, to provide support for the dance and drama programs and events in our spaces outside the academic terms. The Technical Instructor serves as the the primary supervisor for all drama and dance light hang and focus calls, and is also the technical director for dance productions; they work as part of a team of faculty and staff overseeing productions. Responsibilities include: maintaining the lighting systems and repertory plots in multiple theaters and studios, supervising the use of equipment within those venues, providing management and technical support for all dance technical rehearsals and performances, providing technical and safety assistance in support of the dance curriculum, hiring, training and managing student employees, instruction and oversight of students doing production labs in lighting or run crew, troubleshooting faculty and student technical issues that arise, and instructing faculty/students on equipment use.

This position requires excellent communication and interpersonal skills, at least two years of professional experience, ability to handle multiple tasks and manage time and projects effectively, interest and aptitude in working across disciplines with a diverse body of students and faculty, working knowledge of Vectorworks, Lightwright, moving lights, conventional and LED sources, and ETC consoles & dimmers, a bachelor's degree or equivalent professional experience, ability to lift or maneuver up to 50 pounds repeatedly, and ability to work on your feet as well as on catwalks, lifts and ladders. Experience managing a crew, training inexperienced workers, and knowledge of basic electronics and networking are highly desirable. A high regard for personal and workplace safety is required, as is an interest in contemporary production practices. This position requires successful completion and acceptable results of a background check.

Bennington serves a diverse student population inclusive of members of ethnically/racially minoritized, international, LGBTQIA+, and disability communities as well as diverse gender identities, socioeconomic backgrounds, religions, and political beliefs. Our staff and faculty also reflect diverse and intersecting backgrounds and identities. All employees are expected to be respectful and responsive to these differences in the service of building community that promotes student and employee success and community cohesiveness. Each individual (faculty, staff and students) will be accountable for upholding these values. The College's approach to pluralism and inclusivity—both as fields of inquiry and practice—is to prioritize flexible thought, and to invite the examination of access, value, power, and privilege through its institutional policies and areas of study. We encourage applicants from diverse realms of interest, backgrounds, experience, and accomplishment to apply.

The review of applications will begin on December 18 and continue until the position is filled. Please submit a letter of interest, resume and the names and contact information for at least three references.

The College

Bennington College offers a comprehensive benefits program that includes medical, dental, vision, life and long-term disability insurance, retirement, and tuition benefits including Tuition Exchange scholarships. The College also offers an on-site fitness center as well as generous time off benefits.

Bennington College is a laboratory for innovation in higher education. At Bennington, learning and making—on campus and in the field—are inseparable, and its graduates are noted for their outsized impact on the world's stage. This campus celebrates the ongoing making of work—shared on walls, in shows and performances, in lectures and readings, and in conversations—and believes that equity, diversity, and inclusivity are vital to a collaborative community. This position captures, contributes to, and reflects the ethos of this creative community. Nestled at the foot of the Green Mountains in Vermont, the campus consists of approximately 370 acres. The College was named one of ten with the best architecture by Architectural Digest. From campus, it is a short drive to the cultural offerings of the northern Berkshires in Massachusetts, Albany, New York, and many of Vermont's top recreational centers. New York City, Boston, and Burlington, Vermont are all within three and a half hours by car.

TO APPLY: <https://bennington.hire.trakstar.com/jobs/fk0vqws/>

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