



Anticipated Opening

Academic Year 2022-2023

New Orleans Center for Creative Arts

Media Arts Department Chair Position



Division or Department:	Media Arts Department
Level or Grade:	Secondary Education
Position or Type:	Full Time Contact Hours: 32 hours per week
Reports to:	Director of Arts
Salary:	Commensurate with experience
Anticipated Start Date:	August 2022

### General Description:

The ideal candidate is an accomplished Media Artist whose work is able to compete and influence on a local, national and international level. They should possess an ability to serve as the ambassador of the Media Arts education program with high school aged students across Louisiana with demonstrated experience in team leadership, and project based curriculum building. Delivers and/or oversees classroom instruction, to include exploration of film, video, audio and digital media as well as newly evolving practices integrating motion, animation, games, interactivity, and immersive technologies. Has the ability to partner with students and parents of all social and economic backgrounds to successfully meet or exceed program objectives. Fully supports NOCCA's vision of prioritizing an emphasis on the arts as well as academics with the intent of placing students in top colleges and conservatory programs throughout the country with as much scholarship/grant money as possible.

Successful applicants will have dedication to a continuing commitment of innovation, integration and adaptability of ever-evolving technologies into our media arts curriculum. Commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion and a demonstrated ability to work with a diverse body of students and colleagues.

### Job Duties

- Sets course objectives, plans lessons, organizes, teaches Media Arts as scheduled to enrolled high school aged students.
- Oversees Departmental courses, attends department chair meetings and facilitates department meetings, plans curriculum, coordinates technological integration and advancement and mentors/supervises faculty in all realms of media arts.
- Teaches, supports and facilitates all levels of media production from beginner to advanced including screenwriting, cinematography, directing, producing, editing, animation, motion graphics, game design, audio recording and engineering, and overall technological integration with other art forms. In addition, teaches the history, theory, and aesthetics of media arts so that students learn to appreciate the art form, use it in all manners of collaboration and to make informed decisions in their work.
- Monitors student progress for improvement and awards grades following the established policies.

- Prepares and mentors students to enter media-related / film and /or audio festivals and contests.
- Attends NOCCA events, including evenings and weekends for student shows, Celebration Season and Audition Workshops.
- Mentors faculty and students and oversees student external activities; including, but not limited to field trips, writing letters of recommendation, assisting with portfolio preparation and facilitation of guest artist visits.
- Collaborates with students, parents and counselors to facilitate students' engagement and successful completion of the program, and preparation for life after NOCCA.
- Responsible for department budget oversight; requests and recommends use of funds; and works within Department constraints of fiscal matters as appropriate.
- Supervises the general maintenance and deployment of department equipment and supplies as appropriate for class use. Also supervises the installation of Media Arts software on departmental computers.
- Collaborates with colleagues and President/CEO or designee in curriculum development and planning and program administration.
- Collaborates with other faculty in support of curricula improvement to promote students' success and mastery of course and program competencies.
- Performs other relevant responsibilities as requested.

#### Qualifications

- Strong background in filmmaking, directing, screenwriting or cinematography is preferred.
- A personal and professional commitment to creating an atmosphere of quality instruction.
- A demonstrated history of working effectively with diverse individuals.
- Ability to communicate well, both orally and in writing.
- Strong organizational skills and a commitment to excellence.
- Knowledge or experience utilizing technology and innovative pedagogy to deliver exceptional teaching and learning desired.

#### Education:

- Leadership experience with professional experience in filmmaking preferred
- MFA preferred/College Degree in discipline with extensive experience, or equivalency in professional work.
- Five or more years work experience of professional and/ or university/ secondary school media arts instruction

This is a position that includes all benefits afforded to Louisiana State employees including a choice of one of five Medical benefit plans with options of additional supplemental insurance plans. Instructors receive ample time off surrounding holidays and extended weekends when the school is closed for instruction. This position also qualifies for participation in the Louisiana State Teachers' Retirement plan.

NOCCA is committed to an equitable and inclusive program and a diverse faculty, staff, and student body. Candidates from diverse backgrounds are therefore especially encouraged to apply.

Please submit letters of interest with resumé and contact information for three references due March 6, 2022. Please use this [link](#) to apply or mail to:

NOCCA MEDIA ARTS CHAIR  
ATTN: Human Resources Department  
2800 Chartres Street  
New Orleans, LA 70117

### **NOCCA Vision**

*We believe in the transformative power of the arts. We aspire to create an educational community that nurtures and challenges young people to become more curious, kind, empathetic, engaged, and willing to grapple with complex problems in order to create a just, sustainable, and joyful world.*

### **NOCCA Mission**

*NOCCA's mission is to provide a world-class, pre-professional arts education for every young person in Louisiana with the curiosity, creativity, talent and motivation to pursue a life in the arts as they realize the best possible versions of themselves and their futures.*

### **NOCCA Equity Definition:**

- *Equity is fairness in action for all:*
- *Equity is valuing diversity and fairness through actions, systems, and policies. Equity is more than intention. It seeks to undo systemic injustices.*
- *Equity means that everyone is offered what they individually need in order to succeed. Equity does not mean everyone receives the same things in the same way.*
- *Equity within NOCCA means that each member of the community feels safe, supported, and respected.*

### **COVID RESPONSE**

NOCCA expects the campus community to adhere to the outlined protocol to help minimize the risks and protect the well-being of our family. Our current vaccination rate for NOCCA employees is 96%. The best way to protect our community, and to ensure continuity in learning on campus is to be vaccinated, physically distancing whenever possible, wear face coverings at all times and monitor any symptoms of illness closely. NOCCA employees who have been vaccinated are required to provide proof of vaccination or must follow the process set for unvaccinated employees in quarantining.

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